

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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TRADITIONAL FORMS OF ARTS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the measures undertaken by the Government to preserve and promote traditional form of arts which are on the verge of extinction due to influence of western culture, media etc. in the country, especially in the Bangalkot district of Karnataka; and

(b) the funds allocated and utilised in this regard during the years 2007-08 and 2008-2009?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a): The Ministry of Culture has taken various steps to preserve and promote traditional forms of arts of various States of the country including Bagalkot district of Karnataka. These activities are carried out through the different organizations of the Ministry. The Centre for Cultural Resources and Training is promoting traditional art forms by awarding scholarships under the cultural talent scholarship scheme, at the national level. Over the years, the Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya has carried out field work among the people of Karnataka and developed collections of 440 objects of the material culture of the people of Karnataka. In 2005, IGRMS has taken initiatives document jatras and festival of Karnataka cultures beginning with banzara jatra in Bagalkot. Seminars and lectures were also organised in the Karnataka by IGRMS. Ministry has set up seven Zonal Cultural Centres for the preservation, promotion and dissemination of the folk/tradition arts of the respective Zones. The ZCCs implement a number of schemes including the Scheme for Documentation of Vanishing Art forms. Under it, documentation of various folk and tribal art forms is undertaken, especially of those which are seen to be vanishing. The dying art forms like Morsingh and Ganjeera, which were also prevalent once in Bagalkot District of Karnataka, have been taken up under Guru Shishya Parampara scheme during 2008-09 (amount utilized was Rs.1.35 lakhs).

(b): The following funds have been allocated and utilized during the years 2007-2008 and 2008-2009.

ALLOCATED FUND

Rs. In lakh
2007-08 2008-09

CCRT 140.77 149.01
IGRMS 22.60 22.27
ZCCs 1674.13 2616.19

UTILIZED FUND

Rs. In lakh
2007-08 2008-09

CCRT
IGRMS 22.60 22.27
ZCCs