

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ORGANISING CULTURAL EVENTS

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is organizing cultural events in small towns in addition to big cities to promote the art and culture of various States including in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (c) the funds released and spent during the last three years, year-wise; and
- (d) the response received so far from each State?

Answer

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

(a) The seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) set up by the Government and located at Dimapur, Kolkata, Allahabad, Patiala, Udaipur, Nagpur and Thanjavur organize cultural events in small towns and big cities to promote the art and culture of various States/UTs including Andhra Pradesh.

(b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The details of funds released to and spent by the Zonal Cultural Centres, during the last three years are as given below:

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Financial Year	Amount Released	Amount Spent
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2007-08	1674.13	1509.34
2008-09	2616.19	2348.59
2009-10	2116.40	#

(# Information in regard to amount spent by the ZCCs during the Financial Year 2009-10 is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.)

(d) Information is being collected from States/UTs and will be laid on the Table of the House.