

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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INDIRA GANDHI KALA KENDRA
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the main functions of Indira Gandhi Kala Kendra; and

(b) the details of cultural programmes organised under its aegis alongwith the funds sanctioned and spent during the last two years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) The Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) functions as a Centre for research, academic pursuit and dissemination in the field of arts. The functions of IGNCA encompass a wide range of subjects - from archaeology and anthropology to the visual and performing arts, enveloping them in a complementary and non-demarcated vision of the arts. IGNCA documents, digitizes, integrates and disseminates information on India's arts, using a digital platform. Its research activities cover life-style, orality, belief system, practices and rituals, and heritage of all the arts; and are augmented through audio-visual means.

(b) The details of cultural programmes organised by IGNCA, during the last two years and the current year, are at Annexure.

The plan funds sanctioned to and spent by the IGNCA during these three years are as under:

(Rs. in lakhs)
Year Amount sanctioned and released to IGNCA Amount spent by the IGNCA

2008-09	2950	2950
2009-10	3000	2647
2010-11	1375	340

(upto July,2010)