

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4606
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FUNDS FOR CULTURE AND HERITAGES DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned funds for projects/schemes meant for the development of various diverse cultures of the country and its heritages;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the languages especially the Telugu language and its related culture; and
- (c) the amount of funds sanctioned and released in this regard during the last three years and the current year?

Answer

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

(a) and (b): Yes, Madam. The Central Government has sanctioned funds under various schemes operated by it for development of diverse culture of the country and its heritage, including Telugu language and its related culture. Details of such schemes operated by the Ministry of Culture are as follows;

- (i) Scheme for Award of Scholarships to Young Artistes in Different Culture Fields.
- (ii) Scheme for Award of Fellowships to outstanding Persons in the Field of Culture.
- (iii) "Financial Assistance for seminars, Festivals and Exhibitions on Cultural subjects by Not-For-Profit Organisations", the short name of which is : Cultural Function Grant Scheme (CFGS).
- (iv) "Scheme of Financial Assistance to Professional Groups and Individuals Engaged for Specified Performing Arts Project".

In addition, various autonomous bodies functioning under the aegis of Ministry of Culture such as Sahitya Akademi etc, also sanction funds for projects/schemes meant for the development of various diverse culture of our country.

(c): Details of the amount of funds sanctioned and released under these schemes during last 3 years and current year are as under:-

S.No. Name of Scheme Amount Spent (In lacs)

2007-2008 2008-2009 2009-2010 2010-2011
(till date)

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| 1. | | | | | |
| (i) Scheme for Scholarship to Young Artistes in different Cultural Fields. | 450.00 | 581.00 | 650.00 | 222.75 | |
| (ii) Scheme for award of Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the field of Culture. | | | | | |
| 2. Scheme of Financial Assistance for Seminars, Festivals and Exhibitions on Cultural Subjects by Not-for-Profit Organisations. | 64.01 | Nil | 150.00 | 125.00 | |
| 3. Scheme of Financial Assistance | 217.00 | | 18.66 | | |

to Professional Groups and
Individual Engaged for
Specified Performing Arts
Project

4. Annual Award 47.92 46.06 68.50

5. Translation Prize 37.68 29.99 28.61

6. Bhasha Samman 6.10 0.85 3.19

7. Tribal literature & 9.38 19.02 24.39
Oral Tradition Project

8. Language Development Board 0.51 0.83 0.61