

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3622
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SETTING UP OF PUBLIC LIBRARIES AT PANCHAYAT LEVEL
Sainuji Shri Kowase Marotrao

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed to set up public libraries at panchayat level in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including in Maharashtra; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) According to the Constitution of India, Library is a State subject and respective State Governments are responsible for setting up Public Libraries at the State level, including Panchayat level.