

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

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SELECTION SYSTEM IN NFA
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to introduce new selection system for National Film Awards;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any committee has been constituted by the Government for this purpose;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the present status of selection of films including regional films and the time by which the new selection system is likely to be introduced/ implemented?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING(DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise in view of answer to (a) above
- (c) Yes, Sir.
- (d) A committee of eminent film personalities was constituted in December 2009 to make recommendations regarding upgradation of National Film Awards (NFA) for Feature, Non-feature films and Best Writing on Cinema and the Dada Saheb Phalke Award and the resultant changes to be made in the Regulations thereto. The committee submitted its recommendations in May 2010.
- (e) Pursuant to the recommendations of the committee in its report and their consideration by the Government, a two tier jury system – one Central Jury and five Regional Juries, for selection of feature films had been introduced for the National Film Awards (NFA) 2009 held on 22nd October, 2010 at New Delhi.