

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:52
ANSWERED ON:22.02.2011
PROMOTION OF ART AND CULTURE
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has received representations from various States including Bihar for the promotion of art and culture;
- (b) if so, the details and action taken thereon, State-wise; and
- (c) the details of the schemes being implemented by the Union Government for the promotion of art and culture alongwith the funds provided, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF HOUSING AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND MINISTER OF CULTURE(KUMARI SELJA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Culture receives requests from different States and operates a number of Schemes for promotion and development of art and culture in the country. It provides grants or financial assistance to Institutions, individuals, NGOs, Voluntary Cultural Organisations and Government-aided Cultural Organizations, fulfilling the criteria prescribed under the respective Schemes. The operation of schemes is however not undertaken on State-wise basis, nor are any funds released to the State Governments.

(c) The names of ongoing schemes have been given in the Annexure.

ANNEXURE TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 52 FOR 22.2.2011

ANNEXURE

1. Scheme of Building Grants, including Studio Theatres.
2. Financial Assistance for Development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture and Art.
3. Financial Assistance for celebration of Centenaries/Anniversaries of important Personalities.
4. Scheme for Financial Assistance for setting up of Multipurpose Complex including those for Children.
5. Financial Assistance for Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums.
6. Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organizations/ Societies for Development and Maintenance of National Memorials.
7. Financial Assistance to persons distinguished in letters, arts and other walks of life who may be in indigent circumstances and their dependants.
8. Scheme of Financial Assistance to Professional Groups and Individuals engaged for specified Performing Arts Projects`. The scheme has two parts:
 1. Salary Grants assistance for performing arts groups, to help them establish themselves in their field.
 2. Production Grant to be given for approved projects and programmes in these areas.
9. Scheme for Scholarships to Young Artists in different Cultural Fields.
10. Scheme of financial assistance for seminars, festivals and exhibitions on cultural subjects by not-for-profit organizations (Cultural Functions Grant Scheme).
11. Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research.
12. Tagore Commemoration Grant Scheme (TCGS).
13. Financial Assistance for Preservation and Development of Cultural Heritage of Himalayas.
14. Scheme for Award of Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the field of Culture.