## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3488 ANSWERED ON:29.07.2009 ASSISTANCE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF MUSEUMS Swamygowda Shri N Cheluvaraya Swamy

## Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has provided financial assistance to the State Governments through the Centrally sponsored Schemes for the construction of new museums in the country particularly in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the number of schemes and the amount of funds released therefor to the State Governments including Karnataka during the last three years and the current year, State- wise and year-wise;

(c) whether the Governments of Gujarat and Karnataka have submitted any action plan to the Union Government during the current financial year for the construction of new museums in their States;

(a) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the present status of the proposals?

## Answer

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

(a & b) A scheme for 'Financial assistance for Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums' has been implemented by the Government since 1992-1993. In the year 2008 the scheme was revised and a provision for financial assistance for setting up of new museums was incorporated. So far, only one State Government i.e the Government of Rajasthan has applied under the revised scheme for setting up of a new museum at Baran. Rs.100 lakh was approved as seed money for the project during 2008-09.

(c) No sir,

(d & e) Do not arise.