

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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MEMORIAL FOR SAHANI MARTYRDOM
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ubba Sahani and Vangur Sahani of Thana Minapur, District- Muzaffarpur have attained martyrdom during the freedom struggle;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to construct memorial in their names;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the location where the memorial is likely to be constructed; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): The existing publication entitled Who's Who of Indian Martyrs edited by Dr. P.N. Chopra, published in three volumes by Government of India between 1969-1973 does not contain the names of Ubba Sahani and Vangur Sahani.

This Ministry operates a Scheme for providing grant-in-aid to voluntary organization/societies for Development and Maintenance of National Memorials whereunder financial assistance is provided for the development and maintenance of National Memorials. The Scheme also provides that grants shall not be given for the construction of new buildings.

The scheme cover financial assistance for memorials under three categories:

- (a) Memorials set up on the initiative of the Central Government. (At present there is no such proposal under consideration of the Central Government).
- (b) Memorials set up on the initiative of the State Government and/or civic body.
- (c) Memorials set up by voluntary organizations.