

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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ORGANISING CULTURAL EVENTS
Pathak Shri Harin

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is organising cultural events in small towns and districts to promote the art and culture of various States including Gujarat;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) the funds allocated and expenditure incurred in this regard during the said period; and
- (d) the response received so far from each State?

Answer

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

(a): Yes, Sir. Zonal Cultural Centres organise cultural events in small towns and districts, in addition to those in big cities. The aim of organizing these events is to promote art and culture of various States, including Gujarat.

(b) & (c): The details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred by Zonal Cultural Centres during the last three years and the current year for organizing cultural events in small towns and big cities to promote art and culture, are as follows:

(Rupees in lakhs)

Financial Year Amount released Amount Spent

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| 2008-2009 | 2616.19 | 2348.59 |
| 2009-2010 | 2116.40 | 2101.68 |
| 2010-2011 | 2345.16 | 2114.22 |
| 2011-2012 | 1906.56 | (As on date) |

(d): The cultural events organised all over India are well received by the audiences.