

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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IMMORTALISATION OF MARTYRS AND FREEDOM FIGHTERS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Baikunth Shukla and Yuva Sahani of Bihar had attained martyrdom in freedom struggle and Yogender Shukla was imprisoned in Cellular jail (Kalapani);
- (b) whether the names of these martyrs do not figure in the Governments list;
- (c) if so, the action taken by the Government to immortalise both the martyrs and the freedom fighters as well who were imprisoned in Cellular jail (Kalapani); and
- (d) the further action proposed to be taken?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): No list of freedom fighters has been prepared by the Ministry of Culture or by the Ministry of Home Affairs. Therefore, as part of the National Commemoration of 150th Anniversary of the First War of Independence, 1857 and other related events, Ministry of Culture has sanctioned a project for compilation and publication of "Dictionary of Martyrs: India's Freedom Struggle, 1857-1947" and entrusted it to the Indian Council of Historical Research (an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Human Resource Development).