

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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FELLOWSHIPS FOR FOLK ARTISTS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any scheme for giving fellowships to famous folk artists in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the details of fellowships given during the current year;
- (c) whether the Government has received any requests from Members of Parliament regarding fellowships for famous folk artists of various States including Maharashtra;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (f) the time by which it is likely to be given?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. Senior and Junior Fellowships are awarded to outstanding artistes under the 'Scheme for Award of Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the Field of Culture'. List of Senior/Junior Fellowships awarded during the current year is at Annexure.

(c) & (d) Yes, Sir. Such requests were received for the following folk artistes:

1. Shri Chandra Achar, S/o Shri Mahabala Achar, Hiliyana, Taluq & District Udupi, Karnataka; and
2. Shri Anantrao Vithalrao Mangnale, Manjram, Taluq: Naigaon, District: Nanded, Maharashtra.

(e) While Shri Chandra Achar has been awarded a Senior Fellowship, the name of Shri Anantrao Vithalrao Mangnale could not be considered for the award of Fellowship as he was not seeking a Fellowship, but a monthly remuneration, and was not amongst the candidates who had applied for the Fellowship.

(f) Does not arise.