GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3159 ANSWERED ON:24.04.2012 ORGANISING CULTURAL EVENTS Choudhry Smt. Shruti;Siricilla Shri Rajaiah

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 Haryana;

(b) if so, the details of the activities undertaken by the Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) during the last one year and the current year, State-wise;

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilised for the said purpose during the same period; and

(d) the response received from each State?

Answer

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

(a) The seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) set up by the Government and located at Dimapur, Kolkata, Allahabad, Patiala, Udaipur, Nagpur and Thanjavur organize cultural events in small towns and districts to promote the art and culture of various States/UTs including Haryana.

(b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) Details of funds allocated for the said purpose during the last year is as under:

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(Rs. in Lakh)
Financial Year Amount Released to
all ZCCs.
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2011-12 3760.73

No funds have been released in 2012-13. Releases are made on receipt of utilization certificates for the amounts released.

(d) Though no formal response was received from any State Government, yet the programmes were generally well attended and received public acclaim.