

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PAINTINGS OF INDIAN ARTISTS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Lalit Kala Akademi purchases the paintings of Indian painters;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years alongwith the expenditure incurred thereon;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to organise Art Exhibitions of paintings of renowned artists in various parts of the country including small towns;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, whether the Government has any other scheme by which famous paintings of renowned artists could reach the people in remote areas as well?

Answer

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

- (a) No art work has been purchased by the Lalit Kala Akademi from its National/ International Exhibitions for its collection, after 1997.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c)&(d) Lalit Kala Akademi organizes exhibitions of art works of renowned artistes in various parts of the country including small towns at regular intervals. Similarly, the National Gallery of Modern Art and the North Zone Cultural Centre also organize exhibitions of art works of renowned artistes.
- (e) Does not arise.