

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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MEGA CULTURAL MULTIPLEXES

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is considering to set up a mega cultural multiplex in Delhi along the lines of the National Centre of Performing Arts in Mumbai;

(b) if so, the details including the site identified, mode of funding and funds earmarked for the project alongwith the proposed functions thereof;

(c) the time by which the said centre is likely to become functional;

(d) whether the Government also proposes to set up similar mega cultural complexes in other places including Kolkata and Chennai during the XII Five Year Plan; and

(e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress made in this regard? MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND MINISTER OF CULTURE(KUMARI SELJA)

Answer

(a) to (e) The Working Group on Culture set up by the Planning Commission for formulation of 12th Plan has recommended setting up of National Centre for Performing Arts at Delhi and similar cultural complexes at Kolkata and Chennai at a total cost of Rs. 900 crore. However, the Planning Commission is yet to convey the final outlay for the 12th Plan for the Ministry of Culture. Accordingly, only a token provision of Rs. 1 crore has been kept for NCPA Delhi and Rs. 0.50 crore for Centres at Kolkata and Chennai for the year 2012-13.