

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1475
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BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF SWAMI VIVEKANAND
Kanubhai Patel Jayshreeben

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has decided to celebrate the year- 2012 as the 150th Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekanand;
- (b) if so, whether any plan has been prepared for the same;
- (c) if so, the details of the funds allocated for this purpose, State-wise; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- a) Yes, Madam. The period of the commemoration is from 12th January, 2013 to 12th January 2014, the preparatory activities for which had started in 2010.
- b) A National Committee under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister and a National Implementation Committee have been constituted for guiding and supervising the various activities being undertaken under the commemoration.
- c) & d) The fund allocation to Ministry of Culture for this commemoration is as under:

2010-11 : Rs.12.40 crores
2011-12 : Rs. 25.00 crores
2012-13 : Rs. 20.00 crores

Funds are not allocated State wise but for the commemoration as a whole.