

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURE  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether any scheme is being implemented by the Government for the development of culture in the rural areas in the country including Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the people are not getting the desired benefits from these schemes; and
- (d) if so, the measures proposed to be taken by the Government for effective implementation of these schemes?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b): Ministry of Culture implements several schemes for the development of culture all over the country including Andhra Pradesh. Financial assistance/grants are provided to institutions, individuals, NGOs, and Government aided cultural organizations, who fulfil the criteria prescribed under the respective Schemes. The names of ongoing Schemes are given in the annexure.

(c) & (d): The Schemes are well-received by various organizations responsible for their implementation. There is no significant negative feedback in this regard.