

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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SAHITYA AKADEMI
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the objectives of the Sahitya Akademi;
- (b) whether the Sahitya Akademy along with the other State level literary institutions are in crisis at present and diverted from the basic objectives;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Government is formulating any scheme to help such institutions; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) The objectives of the Sahitya Akademi are to work actively for the development of Indian letters and to set high literary standards, and to foster and coordinate literary activities in all Indian languages. The Akademi is a central literary institution for literary dialogue and publications. It has a mandate to undertake literary activities in 24 Indian languages including English.
- (b) The Sahitya Akademi has been continuously working since its inception to fulfil its aims and objectives. Information regarding state level literary institutions is not centrally maintained.
- (c) Does not arise.
- (d) & (e) Sahitya Akademi is an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture and is provided grants regularly for achieving its aims and objectives.