

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3508  
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2012  
PROMOTION OF TRIBAL CULTURE  
Dhurve Jyoti

**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Central Government has received any recommendations from the various State Governments for providing grant to the private institutions for promotion of tribal culture, museum and cultural activities;
- (b) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) the nature of the grant and the criteria/norms fixed for providing such grants; and
- (d) the method of coordination between the Central and State Governments for preservation, protection and promotion of tribal culture in the country?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SMT. RANEE NARAH)

- (a): No, Madam. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has not received any recommendations from the State Governments for providing grant to the private institutions for promotion of tribal culture in the current year.
- (b) & (c): Do not arise.
- (d): The Ministry of Tribal Affairs runs a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, Research & Training-Grants-in-Aid to Tribal Research Institutes, under which the funds are provided to the State Governments on 50:50 sharing basis between State and Centre for various activities performed by these institutes which include, conducting research on different aspects of tribal life including their languages, art and culture and also setting up of tribal museums for exhibiting tribal artifacts and promotion of tribal culture. The Ministry organizes annual National Level Festival "Prakriti" in Delhi and supports State Governments/Union Territories in organizing tribal festivals in their own environment. The Ministry also gives National Tribal Awards under which two awards each of Rs.2.00 lakh (preferably one for a male Scheduled Tribe and other for a female Scheduled Tribe) are given for the Best Janjatiya Achiever covering Sports, Education, Culture, etc.