

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1218
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NATIONAL MISSION ON LIBRARY
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a High Level Committee i.e. National Mission on Libraries (NML) has been constituted by the Government;
- (b) if so, the composition and terms of reference of the NML;
- (c) the aims and objectives thereof;
- (d) the details of assistance provided to the States for setting up of Library infrastructure and information Centres, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) whether the Government proposes to set up a library in each Panchayat Blocks in the States and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

- (a) Yes, Madam.
- (b) & (c) The composition, terms of reference, aims and objectives of the NML are at Annexure.
- (c) No assistance has been provided to the States for setting up of libraries, till date.
- (d) No such proposal has been mooted to set up library in each Panchayat Blocks in the States.