

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government provides financial and other assistance under its various schemes/programmes to the voluntary organisations/Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) engaged in the field of culture;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds sanctioned/released to the said organisations during each of the last three years and the current year, scheme/programme, organisation/ NGO and State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has sanctioned/proposes to sanction funds for celebrating festivals in memory of great personalities/thinkers for the contributions made by them in the social, religious and spiritual sphere of life such as Buddha, Basveshwara, Narayan Guru, Swami Vivekanand etc. ;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the funds sanctioned/allocated for the purpose during the said period; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SMT. CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. Details of financial assistance/ grants released by the Ministry of Culture to various Organisations including NGOs, engaged in cultural activities during each of the last three years and the current year are given in Annexure-I. No State/UT-wise allocations are made under any of these schemes.

(c) to (e): Details of grants / funds released by the Government for celebrations/ functions related to important personalities in the country are given in Annexure-II.