

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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PRESERVING CULTURAL HERITAGE THROUGH ART
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is encouraging the preservation of cultural heritage through art;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken in this direction during the 11th Five Year Plan period, State/UT-wise including Andhra Pradesh and the amount spent thereon, year- wise;
- (c) the action plan prepared for the current year, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh; and
- (d) the action plan proposed to be made for the purpose during the 12th Five Year Plan, State/UT-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

(a)to(d) Yes, Madam. The mandate of Ministry of Culture revolves around preservation and conservation of cultural heritage and promotion of all forms of art and culture, both tangible and intangible. The total outlay of the 11th Five Year Plan for the Ministry was Rs.3524.11 crore, out of which, the actual expenditure incurred was Rs.3047.91 crore. The outlay for the 12th Five Year Plan for the Ministry is Rs.7275 crore. The Ministry carries out its functions through a network of institutions working in the fields of Archaeology, Archives, Museums, Public Libraries, Anthropology, Buddhist/ Tibetan Art and Culture and also through some departmentally implemented Central Sector Schemes. The Ministry does not make any State/ UT-wise budgetary allocation to carry out its functions.