## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3155 ANSWERED ON:09.12.2009 STRENGTHENING OF NATIONAL SCHOOLS OF DRAMA Balram Shri P.

## Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the steps being taken to strengthen National Schools of Drama (NSD); and

(b) the funds allocated for the whole period of Eleventh Five Year Plan to improve the working conditions of NSDs in various parts of the country?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY)

(a)

(i) setting up of five Regional Centres of NSD - at Bengaluru, Kolkata, Jammu & Kashmir, Maharashtra/Goa and in the North East. The Bengaluru Centre of NSD has already started functioning from February, 2009.

(ii) Redevelopment of NSD Campus at Bahawalpur House, New Delhi.

(b) Under the Eleventh Five Year Plan, an amount of Rs. 8000 lakhs was allocated for NSD for the entire Plan period.