## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3196 ANSWERED ON:09.12.2009 RAJA RAMMOHUN ROY LIBRARY Raghavan Shri M. K.

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

- (a) whether there is any plan to develop and strengthen the activities of Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF) as part of rural library scheme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open regional centres of the RRRLF;
- (d) if so, the proposed centres identified and the time by which these centres would become operational; and
- (e) the funds allocated to the RRRLF for distribution of books to rural libraries and the steps taken to increase the funds?

## **Answer**

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

- (a) No Sir, there is no such plan under consideration, as on date.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) The RRRLF has already its Zonal Offices located at Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and Kolkata.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e) Out of Rs.3200 lakhs approved Plan Grant from Govt. of India, an amount of Rs.1205 lakhs is earmarked for purchase of books for the rural libraries in different States and Union Territories during the year 2009-10.