

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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GRANTS TO VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of grants-in-aid provided to voluntary organisations and societies for implementing various schemes of the Ministry during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the achievements therefrom during the said period;
- (c) whether the Government is satisfied with the results achieved so far;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (e) whether some organisations have failed to submit utilization certificates against the funds allocated to them; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof organisation-wise, and the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

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

(b),(c) & (d): As a part of its larger mandate to protect, preserve and promote the art, culture and rich heritage of the country, this Ministry implements various Schemes under which financial assistance is provided to voluntary organizations and societies, etc. However, it is not possible to quantify the achievements.

(e) and (f): Yes, Madam. Details of Utilization Certificates (UC) which were due for these years are as follows:-

Year	No. of	UCs pending
2010-11	446	
2011-12	1299	
2012-13	164	

The grantee organizations are required to submit Utilization Certificates against the funds allocated at the time of release of second and subsequent installments. No fund is released to any organisation if it fails to submit the utilisation certificate in respect of any previous grant received from the Government.