GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4189 ANSWERED ON:16.12.2009 CELEBRATION OF BIRTH CENTENARY OF CHARAN SINGH Chauhan Shri Sanjay Singh

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the birth centenary of Chaudhary Charan Singh, former Prime Minister of India was celebrated in the year 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Rs.10 crore was earmarked for creating a durable assets in commemoration of the centenary celebration; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the progress of the assets proposed to be constructed alongwith the amount of funds spent so far in this regard?

Answer

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

a) to (d): A National Committee under the Chairmanship of former Vice President Shri Bhairon Singh Shekhawat was constituted by Government of India on 11th December, 2002 to chalk out commemorative programmes for celebration of Birth Centenary of Chaudhary Charan Singh at national level. An allocation of Rs.10.00 crore was made during the financial year 2003-04 for the commemorative programmes. Out of which, a sum of Rs.6.00 crore was sanctioned to State Tourism Development Corporations for setting up of one Tourism Village @ Rs.40.00 lakh each in 15 States. Besides, a sum of Rs.1.30 crore was sanctioned to Indian Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) for development of 5 tourism villages (one each in Uttar Pradesh and Haryana and 3 villages in Delhi).