

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2062  
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SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME FOR THE ARTISTS  
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**Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:**

- (a) Whether the Government proposes to implement a scholarship scheme for the artists, craftsmen and performers of traditional art and cultural forms;
- (b) If so, the details thereof and the number of persons benefited under the scheme during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to increase the amount of scholarships and the number of scholarships granted;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTRY OF CULTURE (CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

- (a) Yes Madam, There is already a scheme for award of scholarships to Young Artistes in different cultural fields.
- (b) Under this scheme 400 young artistes having outstanding promise for advance training in the field of Indian classical music, Indian classical dance, theatre, mime, visual arts, folk, traditional and indigenous art and light classical music are given scholarships of Rs.5000/- p.m. for 2 years. The number of persons benefited under the scheme during each of the last 3 years and the current year, State/UT-wise is enclosed at Annexure 'A'.
- (c) No Madam.
- (d) Do not arise.
- (e) No steps have been taken or proposed