

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4656
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TRADITIONAL MUSIC ARTIST
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to encourage and support traditional music artists in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has given any financial and other assistance to these artists so far in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM (SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

- (a) Yes Sir, Ministry of Culture administers Schemes known as Performing Arts Grants Scheme and Artistes Pension & Welfare Fund Scheme under which financial assistance is granted to the performing artistes including traditional Music Artists.
- (b) The details of the aforesaid Schemes are placed at Annexure-I.
- (c) Yes Sir.
- (d) The details of financial assistance granted to the individual artistes including traditional Music Artists/not-for-profit cultural organizations under the aforesaid Schemes during the last three years and the current year are given at Annexure-II.