

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2549
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Scheme for Maintenance of National Libraries
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government is formulating a scheme for maintenance of National Libraries across the country;
- b) the amount proposed to be incurred to purchase new books for these libraries;
- c) the amount likely to be incurred for libraries located in various States of the country including Madhya Pradesh;
- d) whether the Government has received proposals from various State Governments regarding financial assistance to maintain libraries and museums in their respective States; and
- e) if so, the details thereof along with the funds allocated by the Government in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

(a) to (b) National Library, located in Kolkata, is the only National Library under the Ministry of Culture. Other Libraries of national importance under Ministry of Culture are: (i) Delhi Public Library, Delhi (ii) Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna (iii) Central Secretariat Library, Delhi (iv) Rampur Raza Library, Uttar Pradesh. These Libraries incur expenditure on maintenance and purchase of books out of their total Budget allocation.

(c) to (e) The Scheme "National Mission on Libraries – Upgradation of Libraries – providing services to the public" has been approved with a total outlay of Rs.400 Crore for the 12th Plan period. The Mission will upgrade infrastructure of selected libraries and upgrade technology in 35 State Central Libraries and 35 District Libraries (to be identified by State Governments) and 6 Libraries under the Ministry of Culture. The details of applications received from various States/UTs and amount approved is at Annexure. The application received from the State of Madhya Pradesh is incomplete.

Annexure in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2549 regarding Scheme for Maintenance of National Libraries raised by Shri Tamradhwaj Sahu and Shri Manohar Utawal to be answered on 14th March, 2016

Applications received from various States/ UTs and amount approved

Sl No.	States	Amount approved (Rs. In Lakh)	Number of Libraries
1	Andhra Pradesh	80.00	2
2	Arunachal Pradesh	310.00	2
3	Assam	110.00	2
4	Chhattisgarh	174.00	2
5	Goa	310.00	2
6	Gujarat	106.10	1
7	Karnataka	310.00	2
8	Kerala	114.99	1
9	Manipur	60.0	2
10	Mizoram	150.00	2
11	Odisha (Orissa)	263.36	2
12	Rajasthan	246.97	2
13	Tamil Nadu	160.00	2
14	Telangana	164.25	2
15	Tripura	310.00	2
16	Uttar Pradesh	293.00	2
17	West Bengal	309.79	2
18	Puducherry (Pondicherry)	246.49	2
19	Madhya Pradesh	** **	** **
20	Sikkim	** **	** **
Total		3718.95	34

** The applications received from the States of Madhya Pradesh and Sikkim are incomplete.