

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOP CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has envisaged any policy/ programme for protection/preservation/ development/ revival and promotion of Indian tangible and intangible culture of various States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and the action taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) the funds allocated and utilized by the Government for the purpose during each of the last three years in the country, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Government is contemplating to constitute Special Commission/Committee for this purpose and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government also proposes to provide financial assistance to cultural organizations and individuals who actively participate in cultural activities; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the criteria adopted for selection of cultural organizations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) AND MINISTER OF STATE, CIVIL AVIATION (DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Culture implements a number of schemes and programmes aimed at protection/preservation/ development/ revival and promotion of the tangible and intangible culture of the country. The schemes are applicable to all States and therefore, no State-wise funds are allocated.

(d): No such proposal is under consideration.

(e) and (f): Ministry of Culture regularly provides financial assistance to cultural organizations and individuals who participate in cultural activities, under its various schemes. Selection is made in accordance with the guidelines of each scheme.