

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF INDIA
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 17
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.7.2021

COMMITTEE TO STUDY INDIAN CULTURE

17. SHRI S. VENKATESAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) it was informed by Union Minister of Culture last year that a 16 member committee has been formed to study Indian culture and its growth however, the composition of the Committee without diversity came in for severe criticism;
- (b) whether that Committee still exists;
- (c) whether the said Committee has held any sittings so far and if so, the dates of sittings; and
- (d) whether there is any proposals of the Government to dissolve the Committee to ensure fair representation with diversity?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION
(G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) A Committee for Holistic Study of Origin and Evolution of Indian Culture since 12000 BP and its interface with other Cultures of the World was set up in 2016. The said
- (c) committee had two meetings on 3.1.2017 and 2.5.2017.
- (d) It has been decided to reconstitute the committee. While reconstituting the Committee, all the suggestions on diversity in membership would be given due consideration.