

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3373**

TO BE ANSWERED ON 9th December, 2019.

CULTURAL EXHIBITIONS

3373. SHRI GAUTAM SIGAMAANI PON:

Will the Minister of **CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal to organise cultural exhibitions in foreign countries to promote Indian culture worldwide including South East Asia;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof;
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
 - (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?
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**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE
AND TOURISM**

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

ANSWER

(a) to (d): Ministry of Culture signs cultural agreement, cultural exchange programmes, Memorandum of Understanding etc. with foreign countries to enhance cultural cooperation. Under such agreement the Ministry or its Institutions organise cultural exhibitions in foreign countries including Southeast Asia to promote Indian culture worldwide. Ministry of Culture also organises Festival of India abroad through Indian Missions. Under these Festivals, cultural exhibitions are also organised on request basis. Currently an exhibition titled 'From the Coromendal Coast to the Straights-Tamils in Southeast Asia & Singapore' is on show at Singapore.
