

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
LOK SABHA

Unstarred Question No. 1425
To be answered on 12.12.2023

SAMBHAV-2023

1425. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI DHAIRYASHEEL SAMBAJIRAO MANE:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE: SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a two days international event 'Sambhav-2023' by Divyang (Physically and Mentally Challenged) Artists was organized by Association for Learning Performing Arts and Normative Action Society(ALPANA)
- (b) if so, the details of functions, programmes and events organized in the said event and names of the countries that had participated therein;
- (c) the total expenditure incurred on organizing the said event;
- (d) the details of webinars, art and craft workshop, seminar, workshops on dance and music therapy etc. organized by ALPANA for divyang during the current year; and
- (e) whether the Government provides any funds to ALPANA to make divyang people independent and earn their livelihood and if so, the details thereof and the funds sanctioned during the current year?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a) to (e) Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment has not released any grant to Association for Learning Performing Arts and Normative Action Society(ALPANA) for organizing International event 'Sambhav-23'.

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment has constituted National Fund for Persons with Disabilities in light of the provisions of Section 86 of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 to provide financial assistance for certain core areas relevant for empowerment of PwDs that are not covered under any budgetary support programmes of the Government. Under the scheme, Rs. 20 Lakh was approved for the ALPANA for organizing National Level Exhibition in India International Centre, New Delhi on 18th-19th November, 2023 to showcase products including handicrafts, paintings made by PwDs and for holding workshop on handicrafts making and painting under National Fund for PwDs. Rs.10 Lakh has been released as 1st Instalment on 3rd July, 2023.
