

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

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PAYMENT OF ROYALTY TO ARTISTS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have a proposal to pay royalty to lyricists, composers and publishers to encourage music;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the rate at which royalty would be paid; and
- (c) the other steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a): Prasar Bharati has informed that they have recently taken a decision to pay royalty to lyricists, composers and publishers.
- (b) & (c): Prasar Bharati has informed that the details are being worked out to implement the decision.