

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO GURU GOPINATH NATANA GRAMAN SOCIETY

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the union Government has received any proposal from the Guru Gopinath Natana Graman Society, Kerala for financial assistance;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government thereon ?

Answer

MINISTER FOR URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (c) : The Government of Kerala had earlier recommended a proposal from Guru Gopinath Natana Graman Society for construction of Open Air Theatre, National Dance Museum and Art Gallery, Library of Indian Culture and Documentation Centre. The proposal was not recommended for the grant as this Ministry has already provided Rs.2.00 crores for construction of Multipurpose Cultural Complex in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

Based on another proposal received from Guru Gopinath Natana Graman Society under the scheme of `Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums` an amount of Rs.5.00 lakhs has been sanctioned in the year 2003-04 and an amount of Rs.3.75 lakhs has been released as 1st instalment.

The South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC) has also allotted an amount of Rs.1.00 lakh for Natyolsav 2005 to be conducted by Guru Gopinath Natana Graman Society. The funds will be released as soon as SZCC received details of programmes etc. from the Society.