

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3609
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.07.2019**

SETTING UP OF REGIONAL CENTRE OF NATIONAL SCHOOL OF DRAMA

**3609. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK;;
SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR;;
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has taken initiatives to attract the regional talent in the field of drama and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to set up Regional Centre of National School of Drama at various places in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified for setting up of these centres and the time by which they are likely to be set up;
- (d) the amount allocated and expenditure incurred on Bharat Rang Mahotsava organized by the National School of Drama during the last three years; and
- (e) the steps taken/being taken by the Government for development of Libraries and Museums in West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE &
TOURISM
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

- (a) Yes, National School of Drama (NSD), an autonomous organization under Ministry of Culture, enrolls 27 students every year to its 3 years' Post Graduate Course in Dramatics Arts through Selection process by conducting interview audition at 12 centres all over the country to attract talent from all regions of the country. Further, NSD organizes various festivals and workshops to attract the talent in the field of drama and acting i.e; Bharat Rang Mahotsav and North East Festivals etc. Theatre-in-education company conducts workshops for children every year.
- (b)&(c) The Broad-Based Committee (Vision Committee) set up by the National School of Drama (NSD) Society in February 2005, inter-alia, recommended opening of five regional centres of the NSD across the country including Bengaluru (Karnataka), and at Kolkata, Maharastra/Goa, Jammu & Kashmir and in the North East.

Now at present, NSD is running 4 centers under consolidation of outreach program, which are in Gangtok, Bengaluru, Agartala and Varanasi, in addition to Delhi campus at Bahawalpur House.

Established:

Bengaluru (Karnataka) - July, 1994
 Gangtok (Sikkim) - July, 2011
 Agartala (Tripura) - August, 2012
 Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh) - August, 2018

(d) International Theatre Festival Bharat Rang Mahotsav:

(₹ in lakh)

Year	Allocation	Expenditure
2016-17	772.00	772.00
2017-18	--	--
2018-19	795.00	955.03

(e) Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF), Kolkata, an autonomous organization under Ministry of Culture provides assistance for development of public library and its activities on the basis of the proposals received from the respective State/U.T. library authority under its various Matching and Non-Matching Schemes. The details of assistance provided for Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal by RRRLF is enclosed as Annexure-A. Also, the details of amount sanctioned by National Missions on Libraries (NML) under NML Model Library Schemes on the basis of the proposals received from the State Library Authority of West Bengal and Uttar Pradesh are mentioned below:

(₹ in lakhs)

STATE	LIBRARY NAME	Amount Sanctioned
West Bengal	West Bengal State Central Library	222.81
West Bengal	North Bengal State Library	86.98
Uttar Pradesh	State Central Library	206.00
Uttar Pradesh	Government District Library	87.00

Ministry of Culture operates a Museum Grant Scheme under which financial assistance is provided for setting up of new Museums by State Governments and Societies, Autonomous bodies, Local Bodies and Trusts registered under the Societies Act, to strengthen and modernize the existing museums at the Regional, State and District level. A list of organizations which had been granted financial assistance in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal from April, 2014 to June, 2019 is enclosed as Annexure-B.

ANNEXURE-A**Raja Rammohan Roy Library Foundation****Details of assistance provided by RRRLF for Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal under various Matching and Non-Matching schemes during last 3 years**

Amount in Rupees

State/UT	2018-19		2017-18		2016-17	
	Non-Matching Assistance	Matching Assistance	Non-Matching Assistance	Matching Assistance	Non-Matching Assistance	Matching Assistance
Uttar Pradesh	8669994.79	2794821.00	6737024.55	29892634.00	13750745.94	16623979.00
West Bengal	8374265.09	12152487.00	10759473.57	62219128.00	15749462.95	24627141.00

ANNEXURE-B

List of organizations which had been granted financial assistance in Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal from April, 2014 to June, 2019 for setting up of new Museums by State Governments and Societies, Autonomous bodies, Local Bodies and Trusts registered under the Societies Act:

S. No.	State	Name of Organization	FY: 2014-15	FY: 2015-16	FY: 2016-17	FY: 2017-18	FY: 2018-19	2019-20 (till 14 June, 2019)
1.	Uttar Pradesh	La Martiniere Girls' College, Khursheed Manzil Museum, Box No. 33, Lucknow	53.116	-	38.21	-	38.21	-
2.		Parshwanath Vidyapeeth, ITI Road, Karaundi, P.O. BHU, Varanasi	75.20	-	-	-	37.60	-
3.		Bharat Kala Bhavan, BHU, Varanasi	-	-	200.00	-	-	-
4.		Office of Cantonment Board, Carriappa, Shahjahanpur	-	-	10.00	-	190.72	-
5.		Allahabad High Court, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh	-	-	-	10.488	-	-
6.		Ram Katha Museum and Digital Holographic Ram Leela (OAT), Ayodhya (District Faizabad), Govt. of Uttar Pradesh	-	-	-	-	400.00	-
7.		Guru Gorakhnath Sewa Sansthan, Guru Gorakhnath Museum at Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh	-	-	-	-	250.00	-
8.	West Bengal	Bagnan Ananda Niketan Kirtishala, District Museum, Po-Bagnan, Howrah	-	52.215	-	52.215	-	-
9.		Artsacer Foundation, BH-167 Lake Sector II Kolkata	75.00	50.00	-	10.00	-	-
10.		Academy of Fine Arts, 2, Cathedral Road, Kolkata – 700071	50.00	-	-	-	-	-
11.		Gaudiya Mission, Gaudiya Math, Kaliprasad Chakraborty Street, Bagbazar, Kolkata	-	75.00	175.00	-	99.625	-
12.		Centre For Studies In Social Sciences (Jadunath Sarkar), Baishnabghata Patuli Township, Kolkata	45.605	60.805	30.402	-	25.108	-
13.		Nehru Museum of Science & Technology, IIT, Kharagapur, West Bengal.	-	32.932	-	-	-	-
14.		Rabindra Bharati University, B.T. Road, North 24 Parganas, Kolkata	-	26.225	-	-	26.225	-
15.		Natya Shodh Sansthan, EE-8, Sector-II, Bidhannagar, Kolkata	-	25.45	12.725	12.725	12.503	-
16.		Netaji Research Bureau, Netaji Bhawan, Lala Lajpat Rai Saranai, Kolkata	-	59.04	-	-	56.449	-
17.		National Cultural Association, Nehru Children's Museum, Chowringhee Road, Kolkata, West Bengal	-	15.16	-	15.17	-	-
18.		Visva-Bharati University, Shantiniketan, West Bengal	-	-	-	273.91	-	-
19.		Ramakrishna Sarada Mission, Sister Nivedita Heritage Museum, Bosepara Lane, Bagbazar, Kolkata	-	250.00	-	-	103.13 2	-