

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1771
ANSWERED ON 22.12.2022

DEVELOPMENT OF LIBRARIES

1771. DR. V. SIVADASAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- a) budget allocation for libraries in the Union Budget including the National Mission for Libraries, details of data for the last five years;
- b) the details of vacant posts in the National Libraries directly funded by the Union Government;
- c) whether any steps are taken by Government to build and develop public libraries; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM and
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- a) The details of Budget allocation for libraries in Union Budget including National Mission for Libraries for the last five years are given at **Annexure-I**.
- b) Vacancies arise in regular course as a result of superannuation of personnel and other reasons. Concerted efforts are made to fill up the vacant posts as and when the vacancy arises.
- c) & d) Library is a State subject as per the Seventh Schedule of Constitution of India. Hence building and development of public Libraries comes under the control of the respective State/Union Territory Authority.

However, Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, an autonomous organisation under the Ministry of Culture provides financial assistance under various schemes for development of public library services with active cooperation of the State/UT library authority.

Besides, Ministry of Culture through its scheme called National Mission on Libraries (NML), provides financial assistance to 1 State Central Library and 1 District Library in each State/UT for up-gradation of infrastructure & modernization of libraries as per the recommendation of the State/UT library authority concerned.

Annexure-I**Annexure referred to in Reply to Part (a) in respect of
Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.1771 to be answered on 22.12.2022**

(Rs. In Crore)

Sl. No.	Name of Libraries/ organizations	2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23
		BE	RE	BE	RE	BE	RE	BE	RE	BE
1	National Library, Kolkata	57.07	56.76	52.77	35.16	47.25	38.64	46.29	50.05	61.89
2	Central Reference Library, Kolkata	4.62	4.55	5.13	4.54	5.45	4.71	5.58	5.13	5.61
3	Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata	51.29	51.29	51.29	43.24	53.38	23.37	27.07	27.07	27.52
4	Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna	6.23	6.23	5.83	5.08	5.87	5.31	6.32	5.44	5.80
5	Rampur Raza Library, Rampur	7.15	7.15	6.51	5.53	6.46	5.74	7.02	6.51	6.72
6	Delhi Public Library, Delhi	30.08	30.08	29.58	26.08	31.68	30.92	36.27	32.37	33.67
7	Central Secretariat Library, New Delhi	3.72	2.02	2.10	1.26	1.86	1.16	1.66	1.84	2.13
8	National Mission for Libraries	99.81	35.93	118.51	0.73	0.38	0.00	0.62	1.65	22.85
	TOTAL	259.97	194.01	271.72	121.62	152.33	109.85	130.83	130.06	166.19
