

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2417
ANSWERED ON 10/08/2023

“INSTITUTE OF ARCHAEOLOGY IN CHENNAI”

2417# SHRI R. GIRIRAJAN:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Government has any plans to increase the intake of students to two-years diploma in Archaeology conducted by Institute of Archaeology and if so, the present intake and total number of students passed out in the last five years;
- (b) Whether Government has any plans to establish an Institute of Archaeology in Chennai for the benefit of students from South Indian States and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) Whether adequate steps being taken to provide employment opportunities for successful students from Institute of Archaeology, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Intake of students to two years diploma course was increased from 15 to 20 last year. Presently, there are 19 and 15 students studying in 2022-24 and 2021-23 batches respectively. Further, 74 students have passed out in the last five years (2016-18 to 2020-2022).
- (b) There is no such proposal under consideration but students from any state & even other countries can apply for admission.
- (c) Institute of Archaeology provides qualitative trainings to students in the field of Archaeology, enabling them to avail better employment opportunities.
