## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1298

TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2023

#### NML SCHEME

1298. DR. DHARMASTHALA VEERENDRA HEGGADE:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- a) whether Government through its National Mission on Libraries (NML) Scheme, under 'Setting up of NML Model Library' component, provides financial assistance to one State Central Library and one District Library in each State / UT, as per the recommendation of the State Authority concerned;
- b) if so, the details thereof in the State of Karnataka during the last three years;
- c) whether Government has done any quantitative and qualitative survey of the libraries under the Mission; and
- d) the recent initiatives taken by the Government that showcase/disseminate cultural literacy of India?

#### **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

### (G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) &(b) Yes Sir. The detail of funds sanctioned to Karnataka during the last three years under the scheme is as follows: -

Name of the Libraries	Sanction Amount (Rs. in Lakh)
State Central Library, Bangalore	Rs.223.00
District Central Library, Shimoga	Rs.87.00

- (c) Yes Sir. The Quantitative and Qualitative Survey of the Libraries have been done under National Mission on Libraries (NML). Report of the survey has been accepted in Ministry of Culture and is available on the website of Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF), Kolkata: http://rrrlf.nic.in.
- (d) The Indian Culture Portal is the repository that showcases / disseminates cultural literacy for Ministry of Culture. This Portal has been launched on 10.12.2019 by the then Hon'ble Culture Minister. The URL is <a href="https://indianculture.gov.in">https://indianculture.gov.in</a> which is available on public domain.

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