GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2090 TO BE ANSWERED ON 21stDECEMBER, 2023

SCHOLARSHIP TO YOUNG ARTISTS

2090. DR. DHARMASTHALA VEERENDRA HEGGADE:

Will the **MINISTER OF CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government is implementing the Scheme component of 'Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' to grant scholarship to young artists in different cultural fields, including traditional arts forms, for undergoing advanced training in their respective fields;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, including components; and
- (c) the details of young artists benefited and expenditure incurred on awarding scholarships to these artists under the Scheme component of 'Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' during the last five years?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a)&(b)Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Culture is implementing the scheme component of 'Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' to grant Scholarship to Young Artists in different cultural fields including traditional arts forms for undergoing advanced training in their respective fields. Under this scheme component, a Scholarship of Rs. 5,000/- per month is provided to the selected Scholars for a period of 02 years in four equal six monthly instalments. The selected scholars should be in the age group of 18 years to 25 years and have been undergoing training under any Guru or Institution for a minimum of 5 years. The Scholars are selected on the basis of their performance in a personal interview / interaction before an ExpertCommittee for Scholarship constituted by the Ministry.
- (c) Details of young artists benefited and expenditure incurred on awarding scholarships to these artists under the scheme component of 'Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' during the last five years are given as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Financial Year	Total No. of Young Artists benefited	Expenditure against Scholarships awarded
2018-19	1151	345.30
2019-20	1086	325.80
2020-21	1265	379.50
2021-22	1293	390.30
2022-23	396	118.80

The disbursement depends on the submission of the six monthly reports by the scholar/artist which is a continuous process.
