

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
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PROMOTION OF JAGANNATH CULTURE WORLDWIDE

1142 SHRI MANAS RANJAN MANGARAJ

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has initiated any programmes to promote Jagannath culture and heritage at the national and international levels;
- (b) the efforts made to support research, documentation and dissemination of Jagannath traditions and rituals; and
- (c) the allocation of funds for projects aimed at promoting Jagannath culture in Odisha and abroad?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM

(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) Jagannath temple at Puri, District Puri is a monument of national importance. The to monument is maintained by Archaeological Survey of India and conserved based on the requirement to keep its originality.
- (c)

From April 2022 till date 10 programs have been conducted by Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre (of which Odisha is a member state) in different parts of Odisha on Lord Jagannath Bhajan along with Odissi and Goutipua dance festival. Around 4000 audience have witnessed the festival and 180 artists benefitted from the program. Around Rs. 48 lakh has been spent in Odisha.
