

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 989  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.02.2025

SAHITYA AKADEMI SEMINAR

†989. SHRI. MITHLESH KUMAR:  
SMT. KIRAN CHOUDHRY:  
SHRI MAYANKBHAI JAYADEVBHAI NAYAK:  
SHRI JAGESH:

Will the Minister of Culture be please to state:

- (a) the main objective of the seminar on the subject "Literary and Ideological Periodicals" organized by the Sahitya Akademi in December 2024;
- (b) the Ministry's plans to support future initiatives for the development of regional literature in the country, particularly through platforms like Sahitya Akademi;
- (c) whether any follow-up events or publications would be organized to provide a more in-depth understanding of the themes of the seminar; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM  
(GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) Sahitya Akademi's Symposium titled "Literary and Ideological Journals in Marathi" *Marathitil Vangmayin Aani Vaicharik Niyatkalike* was held on 28<sup>th</sup> December 2024 in Nagpur, Maharashtra in collaboration with Vidharbh Sahitya Sangh. The main objectives of the Symposium were to discuss history and tradition, present situation and challenges, and new avenues and future of literary journals in Marathi.
- (b) The Government of India is engaged in preserving, promoting and enriching the literatures of India. The Sahitya Akademi publishes large volumes of material, confers a number of awards and grants, and conducts numerous programmes, seminars, workshops, lectures, symposia, readings, discussions and performances in all the 24 languages recognized by it.
- (c) & (d) The decision on events/ publications in connection with the Symposium on *Literary and Ideological Journals in Marathi*, is taken by the Marathi Advisory Board of Sahitya Akademi which is a continuous activity of the Sahitya Akademi.

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