

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. *297
ANSWERED ON 19.03.2026

PROJECTS UNDER NCF IN TELANGANA

***297. SHRI S NIRANJAN REDDY:**

Will the Minister of **CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of cultural and heritage conservation projects sanctioned under the National Cultural Fund (NCF) during the last three years in Telangana; and
- (b) the details of works undertaken for the conservation of historical monuments, folk art, folk music and traditional heritage in the State, particularly in heritage clusters/regions such as Warangal–Hanamkonda, Hyderabad and temple/fort precincts?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE & TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): A Statement is laid on the table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (A)&(B) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *297 FOR REPLY ON 19.03.2026 REGARDING PROJECTS UNDER NCF IN TELANGANA ASKED BY SHRI S NIRANJAN REDDY.

(a) During the last three years, one project has been supported under the National Culture Fund in the State of Telangana as under:

| S. No. | State | Name of Project | Donor | Implementing Agency | Amount Utilized (in lakhs) |
|--------|-----------|---|---|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Telangana | Execution of replica of 120 ft tall Flagpost at Rashtrapati Nilayam | India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd. (IIFCL) | ASI/NBCC | 275.00 |

(b) the Ministry of Culture through its various organizations is involved in the conservation of historical monuments, folk art, folk music and traditional heritage across the country including Telangana as detailed below:

(i) The Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) takes up the Conservation and preservation of Centrally Protected Monuments as per the requirement and availability of funds following the national conservation policy. The details of the nature of conservation and preservation works undertaken by the ASI Hyderabad Circle during the last three years is at **Annexure-I**

(ii) The Sangeet Natak Akademi organized following festivals in the state of Telangana in the last three years:

- **Kala Dharohar** - focusing on the theme of Saint Meera Bai, at Chalakurthi Camp, Nalgonda
- **Chindu Yakshaganotsav**- a festival celebrating the folk theatre of Telangana at Karimnagar, Telengana

Further, Sangeet Natak Akademi has started following training programmes in dying traditional, folk and tribal performing art forms of Telangana under the scheme "Kala Deeksha" (Guru Shishya Parampara):

- **Chindu Yakshagana** under Guru Shri Gaddam Srinivas at Jangaon, Telangana.
- **Baindla Katha** under Guru Shri Puli Yadagiri at Malkagiri Telangana.

(iii) The Government of India has set up South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC) at Thanjavur and South Central Zone Cultural Centre (SCZCC) at Nagpur to preserve and promote various forms of folk art and culture of their member States. Telangana is the member State of these ZCCs and they organize various cultural activities and programmes in their member States including the State of Telangana on regular basis for which annual grant-in-aid is provided to them. The details of cultural activities and programmes organized by

SZCC & SCZCC in the State of Telangana during the last three years are at **Annexure-II**.

(iv) Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts under the Ministry of Culture, is primarily engaged in research, documentation, dissemination and capacity-building relating to India's tangible and intangible cultural heritage across the country including Telangana.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred in part (b) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No.*297 for reply on 19.03.2026 regarding Projects under NCF in Telangana.

The details of the nature of conservation and preservation works undertaken by the ASI Hyderabad Circle during the last three years

2025-26

| Sl. No. | Name of the work | Expenditure (In Rs.) |
|----------------|---|-----------------------------|
| 1. | MW (C) Conservation to the outer Surface of Char Minar on South Side, Hyderabad | Rs.18,79,336/- |
| 2. | MW (SR) Restoration of fallen wall (West side) of Katora Houz of Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | Rs.16,41,754/- |
| 3. | MW (SR) Restoration and strengthening works to the Kingsway steps and portion of Fort wall beside Kingsway steps in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | Rs.27,74,462/- |
| 4. | MW (SR) Restoration and Strengthening works to the Burj in front of Jagadambika Ammavaru Temple and adjacent structures in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | Rs.35,83,122/- |
| 5. | MW (SR) Restoration of missed portion of Prakara wall on North East of Ramappa Temple, Palampet | Rs.62,33,230/- |
| 6. | MW(SR) Reconstruction and Restoration of Kameswaralayam in Ramappa Temple complex, Palampet | Rs.2,23,10,532/- |
| 7. | MW(SR) Providing CCTV Surveillance in the premises of Balahissar of Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | Rs.10,65,030/- |
| 8. | Conservation of Group of temples (Arka Brahma temple) at Alampur | Rs.18,74,333/- |
| 9. | MW (SR) Restoration of remaining work of Kalyana Mandapa at Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda | Rs.45,28,963/-` |
| 10. | MC & EW Restoration of Southern side missed and damaged portion of Kalyana Mandapa at Thousand Pillared Temple, Hanumakonda | Rs.19,39,446/- |
| 11. | Conservation and Minor Structural Repairs to Ramappa Temple, Palampet | Rs.2,47,866/- |
| 12. | MW (SR) Providing rain water drains (Drainage system) in side of Swayambhu temple complex, Warangal Fort, Warangal | Rs.28,91,275/- |
| 13. | MW(SR) Repairs and Conservation works to Nela Shambhuni Temple, Warangal Fort, Warangal | Rs.20,53,429/- |
| 14. | MW(SR) Repairs and Restoration works to the Stone Fort Walls at Warangal Fort | Rs.6,41,750/- |

2024-25

| SI. No. | Name of the work | Expenditure (In Rs.) |
|---------|--|----------------------|
| 1 | Conservation and Minor structural repairs to the Ramappa Temple at Palampet | 3,99,850/- |
| 2 | Reconstruction and Restoration of Kameshwaralaya in Ramappa Temple complex at Palampet | 27,54,923/- |
| 3 | Restoration of Kameswaralayam (Geo Technical Investigation) in Ramappa Temple, Palampet | 10,45,000/- |
| 4 | Providing lightening conductor to the Thousand Pillars Temple, Hanumakonda | 4,97,320/- |
| 5 | Restoration & Remaining works at KalyanaMandapam, Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda | 94,22,568/- |
| 6 | Repairs and Conservation Works to Nelashambhuni Temple, Warangal Fort, Warangal | 13,11,660/- |
| 7 | Restoration and Conservation Works to Venkateswara Temple at Warangal Fort, Warangal | 2,40,000/- |
| 8 | Repairs and Restoration works to the Stone Fort Walls at Warangal Fort, Warangal | 20,01,600/- |
| 9 | Providing Rain Water Drains (Drainage System) in side of Swayambhu Temple Complex, Warangal Fort, Warangal | 28,91,475/- |
| 10 | Restoration and Strengthening works to the Kings way steps and portion of fort wall beside kingsway steps in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 13,58,713/- |
| 11 | Restoration and Strengthening works to the Burjinfront of JagadambikaAmmavaru temple and adjacent structures in the Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 27,88,492/- |
| 12 | Restoration of fallen wall(on west side) of katorahouz of Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 16,41,754/- |
| 13 | Repairs & Restoration of fallen structures and fortification wall at MothiDarwaja in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 15,38,300/- |
| 14 | Conservation to Group of Temples at Alampur (Structural repairs to Bala Brahma Temple) | 42,64,827/- |
| 15 | Electrical Repairs inside Bala Brahma Temple, Alampur | 16,00,882/- |
| 16 | Group of temples (Restoration works for Veerabrahma and Vishwabrahma temples) at Alampur | 8,35,532/- |
| 17 | Conservation to Group of Temples (Arka Brahma) at Alampur | 18,74,333/- |
| 18 | Conservation to the Outer Surface of Char Minar on South Side, Hyderabad | 14,33,371/- |

2023-24

| SI. No. | Name of the work | Expenditure (In Rs.) |
|---------|---|----------------------|
| 1 | Restoration & Conservation works to the stepped well (Koneru) at Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda | 11,10,920/- |
| 2 | Group of temples (Restoration works for Veerabrahma and Vishwabrahma temples) at Alampur | 13,45,994/- |
| 3 | Repairs & Restoration of fallen structures and fortification wall at MothiDarwaja in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 31,74,586/- |
| 4 | Repairs and Strengthening works to the cracked/bulged out Burj beside Amber Khana and beside Ramadas jail in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 81,630/- |
| 5 | Providing water tightening to the leaking roof of Silahkhana and other structures in the BalaHissar area of Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 72,342/- |
| 6 | Restoration & Remaining works at KalyanaMandapam, Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda | 1,36,79,478/- |
| 7 | Restoration of fallen wall(on west side) of katorahouz of Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 51,20,388/- |
| 8 | Restoration and Strengthening works to the Kings way steps and portion of fort wall beside kingsway steps in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 44,65,096/- |
| 9 | Restoration and Strengthening works to the Burjinfront of JagadambikaAmmavaru temple and adjacent structures in the Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 500/- |
| 10 | Repairs & strengthening works to the masonry walls which are in dilapidated condition beside excavation area and besides dressing hall and dome portion of Ladies Body Guard area in Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 27,73,405/- |
| 11 | Repairs and Strengthening works to the outer fortification walls including water tightening works to the gateways of Golconda Fort | 61,55,469/- |
| 12 | Group of temples (Repairs to Tarakabrahma Temple and fallen fortification wall) at Alampur | 1000/- |
| 13 | Restoration of missed portion of Prakara wall on North East of Ramappa Temple- Palampet | 9,59,317/- |
| 14 | Providing Lightening conductor to Ramappa Temple (World Heritage Monument), Palampet | 32,65,460/- |
| 15 | Repairs and Restoration works to the Stone wall at Warangal Fort, Warangal | 22,52,250/- |
| 16 | Providing Lightening conductor to Thousand Pillar Temple, Hanumakonda | 8,05,855/- |
| 17 | Repairs and Conservation works to Nelashambuni Temple at Warangal Fort | 19,67,925/- |
| 18 | Restoration & Conservation works to North west side of Stone fort wall surface at Warangal Fort | 15,36,596/- |
| 19 | Reconstruction & Restoration of Kameswaralayam in Ramappa Temple, Palampet | 2,714/- |
| 20 | Removal and resetting of bulged out portion of Prakara wall on south | 22,04,730/- |

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| | side of Ramappa Temple at Palampet | |
| 21 | Conservation & Minor Structural Repairs to the Ramappa Temple at Palampet | 1,18,678/- |
| 22 | Providing rain water drains (Drainage System) inside of Swayambhu Temple complex, Warangal Fort | 4,90,767/- |
| 23 | Removal and restoration of the dilapidated portion (South part) of Majnu Bastion at NayaQuila, Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 22,18,265/- |
| 24 | Repairs to the Ancient Tank, De-silting, Restoration of Pathways, Tanks and drains at Nayaquilla, Golconda Fort, Hyderabad | 450/- |
| 25 | Repairs & water tightening to the Kush Mahal at Warangal Fort, Warangal | 28,40,951/- |
| 26 | Structural Repairs to Padma Brahma Temple at Alampur | 39,62,265/- |
| 27 | Structural Repairs to Papanasi Temple at Alampur | 22,65,450/- |
| 28 | Structural Repairs to Swarga Brahma Temple at Alampur | 46,67,095/- |
| 29 | Structural Repairs to Garuda Brahma Temple at Alampur | 48,60,279/- |
| 30 | Restoration and Conservation works to Venkateswara Temple at Warangal Fort, Warangal | 32,36,769/- |
| 31 | Conservation to the Outer Surface of Char Minar on South Side, Hyderabad | 12,13,680/- |
| 33 | Conservation to Group of Temples at Alampur (Structural repairs to Bala Brahma Temple) | 14,23,450/- |
| 34 | Conservation to Group of Temples (Arka Brahma) at Alampur | 950/- |

Annexure-II

Annexure referred in part (b) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No.*297 for reply on 19.03.2026 regarding Projects under NCF in Telangana.

The details of cultural activities and programmes organized by SZCC & SCZCC in the State of Telangana during the last three years

➤ **South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC), Thanjavur:**

| Sl. No. | Year | Names of cultural programmes/ festivals/ activities organised | No. of artists participated |
|--|---------|---|-----------------------------|
| i. | 2022-23 | Hyderabad Liberation Day | 1330 |
| | | Workshop on Chariol Mask | 28 |
| | | 5 th International Telugu Poet Meet | 01 |
| | | VVIP Visit of Hon'ble President of India | 13 |
| | | Bharat Mahar Aarathi | 43 |
| ii. | 2023-24 | G20 - Welcome arrangement | 46 |
| | | Meri Maati Mera Desh | 73 |
| | | World Folklore day Celebrations | 25 |
| | | Hyderabad Liberation Day – Rashtrapati Nilayam | 136 |
| | | All India Crafts Mela | 66 |
| | | Bharat Madha Maha Aarathi Celebrations | 37 |
| | | All India Crafts Mela -Shilparamam | 15 |
| | | National Cultural Festival – Rastriya Sanskriti Mahotsav | 74 |
| Hyderabad Liberation Day – Parade ground | 926 | | |
| iii. | 2024-25 | Lecture-cum-demonstration on Kathakali and Koodiyattam | 33 |
| | | Lecture-cum-demonstration on Kuchipudi | 02 |
| | | All India Crafts Mela | 45 |
| | | Sankranti Sambarulu | 26 |
| | | Hyderabad Liberation Day 2024 | 770 |

➤ **South Central Zone Cultural Centre (SCZCC), Nagpur:**

| Sl. No. | Year | Names of cultural programmes/ festivals/ activities organised | No. of artists participated |
|---------|---------|---|-----------------------------|
| i. | 2022-23 | Guru Shishya Parampara (Oggu Katha) | 327 |
| | | 8 th International Yoga Day | |
| | | Sawan Aayo | |
| | | Lok Nritya Bharat Bharati | |
| | | Ashad Lahari | |
| ii. | 2023-24 | Narhar Kurandarkar | 616 |
| | | Telangana Formation Day "Qila aur Kahaniya" | |

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| | | All India Crafts Mela – 2023 | |
| | | Painting Camp during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav | |
| | | Classical Dances during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav | |
| | | Craft Mela during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav | |
| | | Folk & Local Dances (Folk Performance) during Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav | |
| iii. | 2024-25 | Divisional Level Festival | 158 |
| | | Lok Manthan- 2024 | |
| | | Veer Bal Diwas | |
| | | Udyan Utsav | |
| | | Har Kanth Mein Bharat | |
