

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4022  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017**

**DATABASE OF CULTURAL GROUPS**

**4022: SHRIMATI ARPITA GHOSH:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any database of renowned cultural groups of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM  
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

**ANSWER**

(a) : Yes, Madam.

(b) & (c): Under Cultural Mapping of India project, the Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT), an autonomous organisation under Ministry of Culture has received the profiles of approximately 60 lakhs Craftsmen and Artists. The CCRT is developing a systematic database on the basis of this data.

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