

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 287
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Schemes for Grants to Cultural Organisations

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any scheme for providing grants to cultural organizations and if so, the salient features thereof;
- (b) the number of such organizations which have benefited under the scheme during the last three years and the current year along with the details of their activities; and
- (c) the amount of funds made available to these organizations during the said period, organization- wise?

ANSWER

Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Culture
and Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a) Yes Madam. The Ministry of Culture administers a Scheme namely 'Scheme of Financial Assistance for Promotion of Art and Culture' under which financial assistance is given to cultural organizations for propagation and dissemination of Performing Arts. The Scheme which has five (05) components ie. (i) Repertory Grant (ii) Financial Assistance to Cultural organizations with National Presence (iii) Cultural Function and Production Grant (iv) Financial Assistance for Preservation and Development of Cultural Heritage of Himalayas and (v) Financial Assistance for the Development of Buddhist/Tibetan Arts and Culture is mandated to provide grant-in-aid to cultural organizations for organizing seminars, conference, festivals, research workshops, exhibitions, imparting training to Artists by their respective Guru and to organizations engaged in development and preservations of cultural heritage of the Himalayas and development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture and Art.
- (b) The total number of organizations provided grant-in-aid for the above said purpose under the above said Scheme during the last three financial years and current financial year is given below:

2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (till date)
1925	3148	2838	1796

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The organizations which receive grant-in-aid undertake various cultural activities such as organizing seminars, exhibitions, festivals, production on any subject important to the preservation or promotion of Cultural heritage of India. In addition to this, the organizations receiving grant-in-aid are involved in imparting training to Artists by their respective Gurus, and preserving and developing cultural heritage of the Himalayas and development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture and Art.

- (c) The amount of funds made available to such cultural organizations during the last three years and current financial years is given below:

2014-15 (In Lakhs)	2015-16 (In Lakhs)	2016-17 (In Lakhs)	2017-18 (till date) (In Lakhs)
6301.45	9044.68	10599.86	5063.86