

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.5554
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2.4.2018**

MEMORIAL ON MANISHI PANCHANAM BARMA

5554. SHRI PARTHA PRATIM RAY:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the contribution of Manishi Panchanam Barma, one of the reformers of North-East India specially for the society of Rajbanshi, the largest community of North-East India;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any plan to construct a memorial/statue in his honor in the North-East including northern part of West Bengal;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND MINISTER OF STATE
FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE
DR. MAHESH SHARMA**

(a) to (e): Ministry of Culture commemorates birth centenaries and other special occasions like 125th/ 150th/ 175th etc. anniversaries of great personalities and of important/memorable events related to the history of our country. During such commemoration, memorial or any other infrastructure may be created in the memory of a personality/event. Manishi Panchanam Barma was born in the year 1866. His 150th birth anniversary was in the year 2016 which was not commemorated by Ministry of Culture.
