

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4152  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 07<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2019**

**CONSERVATION OF MANUSCRIPTS OF LEADERS**

**4152.      SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN :**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML) has catalogued and preserved manuscripts of leaders such as Syama Prasad Mookherjee, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Keshav Baliram Hedgewar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the total number of collections, archival documents, files and metadata acquired and prepared by the NMML;
- (c) whether NMML recently acquired manuscripts relating to the lives of Syama Prasad Mookherjee, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Keshav Baliram Hedgewar during each of the last five years and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the status of digitization including number of pages digitized pertaining to the manuscripts of Syama Prasad Mookherjee, Vinayaka Damodar Savarkar and Keshav Baliram Hedgewar?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND MINISTER  
OF STATE FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE**

**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

(a) & (b) Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML) has catalogued and preserved the collection of Syama Prasad Mookerjee papers in the Archives, whereas the papers of Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Keshav Baliram Hedgewar are preserved with the Microfilm Division of the Library and have not been catalogued. The details of the collections are as given below :

- Syama Prasad Mookerjee – 80,000 pages approx. Metadata of these has been prepared.
- Vinayak Damodar Savarkar - 20125 images. As these have not been digitized, no Metadata has been prepared.
- Keshav Baliram Hedgewar – 1150 images. As these have not been digitized, no Metadata has been prepared.

(c) No, the NMML has not acquired any manuscript relating to the lives of Syama Prasad Mookerjee, Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Keshav Baliram Hedgewar during last five years.

(d) The scanning of Syama Prasad Mookerjee papers has been completed. The papers of Vinayak Damodar Savarkar and Keshav Baliram Hedgewar have not been digitized.

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