

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4283  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 7<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2019**

**REVIVAL OF INDIAN FOLK ARTS AND MUSIC**

†4283. SHRI HARI MANJHI:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that several prevailing Indian Folk Arts and Music are on the verge of extinction in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has conducted any survey to identify such Folk Arts and Music and if so, the details and the findings thereof;
- (c) whether any action has been taken by the Government to revive these Folk Arts and Music; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND  
MINISTER OF STATE FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE**

**(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)**

(a) to (d) No such formal study has been conducted so far by the Government. However, to protect, promote and preserve the Indian folk arts and music in the country, the Government of India has set up seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) with headquarters at Patiala, Nagpur, Udaipur, Prayagraj, Kolkata, Dimapur and Thanjavur. These ZCCs organize various cultural activities and programmes on regular basis throughout the country. The details of the annual grant-in-aid provided/ released to these ZCCs for cultural activities during the last three years are as under:

**(Rs. in lakh)**

Sl. No.	Name of ZCC	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
1.	NZCC, Patiala	1412.50	642.21	818.15
2.	WZCC, Udaipur	885.15	895.26	784.12
3.	SZCC, Thanjavur	560.56	841.27	529.05
4.	EZCC, Kolkata	813.65	861.32	603.60
5.	SCZCC, Nagpur	1115.00	588.43	726.38
6.	NCZCC, Prayagraj	517.37	491.58	619.35
7.	NEZCC, Dimapur	1530.10	1765.00	609.06
<b>Total</b>		<b>6834.33</b>	<b>6085.07</b>	<b>4689.71</b>