

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5119
ANSWERED ON 03.04.2023

ANNUAL YATRA FROM BHISHMAKNAGAR TO PORBANDAR

5119. SHRI RAJA AMARESHWARA NAIK:
SHRI BHOLA SINGH:
DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR:
SHRI RAJVEER SINGH (RAJU BHAIYA):
SHRI VINOD KUMAR SONKAR:

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

- (a) whether it is archaeologically established that Lord Krishna and Rukmini were associated with North-Eastern States i.e. Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has started the annual yatra from Bishmakhnagar (Arunachal Pradesh) to Porbandar, Gujarat to strengthen the cultural threads woven around the legacy of Rukmini; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof including budgetary provisions in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN
REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Traditionally it is believed that Lord Krishna and Rukmini were associated with North-Eastern States i.e. Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh. However no such archaeological investigations have been carried out.
- (b) The Madhavpur Ghed Fair and Festival is celebrated in Porbandar, Gujarat, to commemorate & the traditionally held belief that connects the North-East with Gujarat.
- (c)
