GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 509 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2023

PROMOTION OF CULTURE THROUGH G20 SUMMIT

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government has established any policy for the promotion of the culture in Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra through G20 Summit and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government in furtherance to the policy established and the details of the programmes held under the policy;
- (c) whether the delegation from the foreign countries was also invited to attend the same; and
- (d) the details of the total amount allocated for the promotion of Indian Culture for Culture Working Group?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (b) Ministry of Culture is responsible for the Culture Working Group (CWG) meetings under India's G20 Presidency. CWG is organizing 4 meetings in Khajuraho (M.P), Bhubaneswar (Odisha), Hampi (Karnataka) and Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh). In every meeting, region specific cultural event/ programme is being organized by the Ministry of Culture. ODOP (One District One Product) gifts of the States are also being given to the visiting delegates.

No event is planned in Maharashtra by the Ministry of Culture since no CWG meeting is being held in Maharashtra.

(c) The delegates from G20 Member Countries, Guest Countries and International Organizations are invited to attend these meetings.

(d) The amount to be incurred for Culture Working Group meetings including G20 Culture Ministers' Meeting are as per the overall budget allocation for this purpose.