GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1347 TO BE ANSWERED ON 11thDECEMBER, 2023

SCHOLARSHIP TO YOUNG ARTISTS

1347. SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

Will the MINISTER OF CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a large number of young artists are getting benefits from the Government across the country since the last five years under the scheme 'Scholarships to Young Artists';
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a)&(b)Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Culture is implementing the scheme component of 'Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' to grant Scholarship to Young Artists in different cultural fields including traditional arts forms for undergoing advanced training in their respective fields. Under this scheme component, a Scholarship of Rs. 5,000/- per month is provided to selected Scholars for a period of 02 years in four equal six monthly instalments. The selected scholars should be in the age group of 18 years to 25 years and have been undergoing training under any Guru or Institution for a minimum of 5 years. The Scholars are selected on the basis of their performance in a personal interview / interaction before an Expert Committee for Scholarship constituted by the Ministry.

Details of young artists benefited and expenditure incurred on awarding scholarships to these artists under the scheme component of 'Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' during the last five years are given as under:-

(Rs. in lakhs)

Financial Year	Total No. of Young Artists benefited	Expenditure against Scholarships awarded
2018-19	1151	345.30
2019-20	1086	325.80
2020-21	1265	379.50
2021-22	1293	390.30
2022-23	396	118.80

The disbursement depends on the submission of the six monthly reports by the scholar/artist which is a continuous process.

(c) Does not arise.