

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2292
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2.12.2019**

Welfare Scheme for Theatre Artists

† 2292. Shri Harish Dwivedi;

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes including welfare schemes running for theatre and Artists related to theatrics in the country;
- (b) the State/UT-wise details of the financial assistance provided to these Artists under such schemes during the last three years and the current year, year-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government for the revival of conventional theatres in the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (I/C)
FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

(a) & (b) Ministry of Culture administers various Schemes for providing financial assistance to artists of different cultural fields including inter-alia the artists related to theatrics, given as under

- i) Repertory grant.
- ii) Scheme for pension and Medical Aid to Artistes.
- iii) Cultural Function Production Grant Scheme.
- iv) Scholarship & Fellowship.

All Schemes are Central Sector Schemes and no financial assistance is routed through States/UTs. However, the details of financial assistance provided to artists under the aforesaid Schemes during the last three years are Annexed.

(c) National School of Drama (NSD), an autonomous organization under Ministry of Culture organizes various theatre festival for revival of theatre in the country (i)

International Theatre Festival of India (Bharat Rang Mahotsav) in which opportunity is provided to theatre groups to participate. Theatre groups participating in these festivals include various forms such as contemporary, classical, folk based, modern etc. Besides other allied activities like director meet, ambience performance, seminars, theatre forums, master classes, living legends, etc, (ii) National Theatre Festival for Children (Jashnebachpan & Bal Sangam), a mela of children practicing traditional performing arts from tribal/rural areas of country, (iii) Indian Classical Theatre Festivals where theatre in Indian classical forms are invited to participate in the festival by NSD. So far NSD has organized Classical Theatre Festival in Varanasi, Udaipur, Aurangabad, Goa, Indore, Ujjain & Sangli in which classical theatre performances from different parts of the country were invited to perform in each of the festival venue and (iv) Adirang Mahotsav is a National Tribal Festival of Theatre, Dance, Music, Crafts & Seminars on tribal theme organized by NSD. About 30 such festivals at Shantiniketan, Raipur, Khairagarh, Port Blair, Surat, Nasik, Goa, Kendujhar, Chaibasa, Tinsukiya, Mumbai & Daman with more than 17000 tribal artists/craftsmen have already been organized.

Annexure – I

Annexure referred to in reply to part(a) and (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2292 for 2.12.2019

1. Repertory Grant

Sl. No.	Financial Year	Assistance provided (in crores)	Number of Artists/Organizations covered
1.	2016-2017	Rs.40.13	564
2.	2017-2018	Rs.41.89	564
3.	2018-2019	Rs.33.47	545
4.	2019-2020 (as on 26th November, 2019)	Rs22.95	350

Scheme for Pension & Medical Aid to Artistes

Expenditure in last 3 years(in Crores)

FY	Budget	Expenditure	Number of Beneficiaries Benefited
2016-17	18	13.17	3376
2017-18	18	15.3	3376
2018-19	25	19.73	4120
2019-20	25.5	17.00 (Upto 31st Oct. 2019)	3070

Cultural Function & Production Grant (CFPG)

State	2016-17 (Amount in lakhs)	2017-18 (Amount in lakhs)	2018-19 (Amount in lakhs)	2019-20 (till date) (Amount in lakhs)
Andhra Pradesh	32.75	39.25	19.00	8.37
Arunachal Pradesh	27.50	16.00	6.50	0.25
Assam	97.50	184.75	42.50	8.51
Bihar	101.75	347.00	91.00	18.62
Chandigarh	20.50	10.50	3.00	---
Chhattishgarh	9.00	10.00	--	---
Delhi	654.15	497.35	263.00	40.61
Gujarat	11.00	29.00	15.50	8.50
Goa	--	24.30	1.50	0.37
Haryana	44.50	149.85	32.50	9.52
Himachal Pradesh	14.50	26.00	4.50	0.46
Jammu & Kashmir	57.25	72.35	41.50	4.85
Jharkhand	10.50	52.80	11.50	2.50
Karnataka	255.00	671.60	221.50	61.30
Kerala	107.00	95.50	58.25	6.75
Madhya Pradesh	118.00	265.50	100.50	22.98
Maharashtra	133.00	96.35	100.50	26.12
Manipur	185.25	272.30	169.50	28.85
Meghalaya	---	--	---	---
Nagaland	---	3.10	---	---
Odisha	171.75	168.30	158.25	21.91
Pudducherry	5.50	5.00	3.00	0.87
Punjab	24.50	16.00	21.00	3.00
Rajasthan	51.50	208.00	55.50	16.30
Sikkim	8.50	14.00	---	---
Tamilnadu	52.50	44.80	37.00	9.32
Telangana*	6.75	99.30	39.00	4.80
Tripura	7.50	2.00	12.50	2.68
Uttar Pradesh	312.50	536.80	239.25	49.81
Uttarakhand	18.50	40.50	11.50	1.44
West Bengal	481.00	574.55	276.45	47.58

STATE-WISE AND YEAR-WISE DETAILS OF JUNIOR FELLOWS* UNDER THE SCHEME OF FELLOWSHIP TO OUTSTANDING PERSONS IN THE FIELD OF CULTURE for the last 3 years

Sl No	State	No. of Junior Fellows	No. of Junior Fellows	No. of Junior Fellows
		2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1	1	4
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	--	1	--
3.	Assam	10	13	13
4.	Bihar	7	5	4
5.	Chandigarh	0	0	1
6.	Chhattisgarh	5	8	3
7.	Delhi	13	21	20
8.	Gujarat	6	1	2
9.	Goa	1	1	--
10.	Haryana	5	3	5
11.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	--
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	1	4	2
13.	Jharkhand	1	5	5
14.	Karnataka	10	7	12
15.	Kerala	8	11	11
16.	Madhya Pradesh	14	9	9
17.	Maharashtra	18	22	22
18.	Manipur	6	8	10
19.	Meghalaya	0	0	1
20.	Nagaland	0	0	1
21.	Odisha	20	17	16
22.	Puducherry	0	1	1
23.	Punjab	4	2	3
24.	Rajasthan	4	5	4
25.	Sikkim	0	0	--
26.	Tamil Nadu	1	3	3
27.	Telangana	4	3	5
28.	Tripura	1	3	2
29.	Uttar Pradesh	17	17	25
30.	Uttarakhand	4	2	2
31.	West Bengal	17	19	14
Total=		178	192	200

*There is no state-wise Junior Fellowship given under the scheme. Junior Fellowships are awarded to outstanding persons in the age group of 25 to 40 years in different cultural fields @ of Rs. 10,000/- p.m. for the period of 2 years for cultural research. The selection for batch year 2019-20 is under process.

STATE-WISE AND YEAR-WISE DETAILS OF SENIOR FELLOWS UNDER THE
SCHEME OF FELLOWSHIP TO OUTSTANDING PERSONS IN THE FIELD OF CULTURE
for the last 3 years**

Sl No	State	No. of Senior Fellows	No. of Senior Fellows	No. of Senior Fellows
		2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1	3	2
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1	0	--
3.	Assam	3	5	10
4.	Bihar	1	7	9
5.	Chandigarh	0	0	--
6.	Chhattisgarh	2	1	3
7.	Delhi	17	23	30
8.	Gujarat	0	3	7
9.	Goa	0	1	1
10.	Haryana	2	4	6
11.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	1
12.	Jammu & Kashmir	0	3	1
13.	Jharkhand	3	4	4
14.	Karnataka	6	8	14
15.	Kerala	7	12	10
16.	Madhya Pradesh	10	14	15
17.	Maharashtra	11	12	11
18.	Manipur	7	6	9
19.	Meghalaya	0	0	--
20.	Nagaland	0	0	--
21.	Odisha	13	18	25
22.	Puducherry	0	2	1
23.	Punjab	0	0	1
24.	Rajasthan	7	7	5
25.	Sikkim	0	0	--
26.	Tamil Nadu	2	3	2
27.	Telangana	5	2	2
28.	Tripura	0	1	--
29.	Uttar Pradesh	22	13	17
30.	Uttarakhand	1	3	2
31.	West Bengal	12	21	9
Total=		133	176	197

**There is no state-wise Senior Fellowship given under the scheme. Senior Fellowships are awarded to outstanding persons in the age group, above 40 years in different cultural fields @ of Rs. 20,000/- p.m. for the period of 2 years for cultural research. The selection for batch year 2019-20 is under process.

STATE WISE BREAK-UP OF THE SCHOLARSHIP TO YOUNG ARTISTES IN
DIFFERENT CULTURAL FIELDS (SYA*) for the last 03 years.

Sl No	State	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	--	--	--
2.	Andhra Pradesh	07	02	06
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	--	02	04
4.	Assam	14	12	19
5.	Bihar	11	10	14
6.	Chandigarh	01	--	01
7.	Chhattisgarh	08	08	14
8.	Delhi	16	14	21
9.	Goa	01	01	01
10.	Gujarat	04	09	08
11.	Haryana	06	07	06
12.	Himachal Pradesh	01	01	01
13.	Jammu and Kashmir	02	02	06
14.	Jharkhand	07	01	05
15.	Karnataka	26	25	24
16.	Kerala	18	20	23
17.	Madhya Pradesh	37	28	35
18.	Maharashtra	33	26	42
19.	Manipur	03	09	09
20.	Meghalaya	--	--	--
21.	Mizoram	01	--	--
22.	Nagaland	--	--	--
23.	Odisha	20	22	22
24.	Puducherry	02	--	--
25.	Punjab	02	06	04
26.	Rajasthan	03	04	08
27.	Sikkim	--	--	01
28.	Tamil Nadu	03	10	08
29.	Telangana	01	05	02
30.	Tripura	--	01	01
31.	Uttar Pradesh	38	43	38
32.	Uttarakhand	01	07	01
33.	West Bengal	46	40	60
Total Awardees		312	315	384

* There is no state-wise scholarship given under the scheme. Under this scheme financial assistance is given to selected young artistes of outstanding promise in the age group of 18-25 years for advanced training within India in the field of Indian Classical Music, Indian Classical Dance, Theatre, Mime,

Visual art, Folk, Traditional and Indigenous Arts and Light Classical Music etc. @ Rs. 5,000/- p.m. for 2 years. The selection for batch year 2019-20 is under process.