

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1248
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020**

NATIONAL LIST OF INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE

**1248. MS. PRATIMA BHOUMIK:
SHRI SUDHAKAR TUKARAM SHRANGARE:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government is planning to compile a 'National List of Intangible Cultural Heritage' with an objective to recognise and promote unique Indian traditions and if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Maharashtra;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government is planning to create an 'Indian Institute for Culture' (IIC) – a premier national institution for training and skilling manpower in archaeology, conservation, museology and related fields and if so, the details thereof along with the date of its establishment alongwith its procedure of work; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that the Government is planning an e-platform for consumers and service providers by aggregating art forms and artists and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM
(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

(a) Yes Sir, Sangeet Natak Akademi (SNA), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture is the nodal agency for the Scheme for 'Safeguarding the Intangible Cultural Heritage and Diverse Cultural Traditions of India'. As of now, SNA is collaborating with Zonal Cultural Centres of Ministry, collating and preparing a list of ICH elements for National List of Intangible Cultural Heritage. List of ICH elements is being compiled and at least 100 elements will be documented by March, 2020 and the aim is to document at least 20 new elements in ICH list every year.

(b) Yes Sir, establishment of an 'Indian Institute for Culture' is at conceptual stage.

(c) Yes Sir, a mission called National Culture Mapping portal is being conceptualized for aggregating art forms and artists. It is in pilot phase.