

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.89
TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2020**

FUNDS FOR ESTABLISHING LIBRARIES IN HARYANA

†89. SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

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

- (a) the number of libraries opened by the Government in the country including Haryana;
- (b) the location-wise details of the libraries opened in Haryana;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to open libraries in all districts of Haryana;
- (d) if so, the time by which these libraries are likely to be opened; and
- (e) the details of the yearly funds earmarked for one library?

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

ANSWER

(a) Sir, as per Seventh Schedule of the Constitution of India Library is a state subject and opening of new library comes under the purview of the respective State/Union Territory authorities. However, Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata, an autonomous organization under Ministry of Culture provides financial assistance under its matching and non-matching schemes for development of public libraries for various purposes eg. books, furniture & equipments, modernization, construction of library buildings, mobile library services, establishment of children corner, facilities for specially-abled readers, seminars/workshops etc. on the basis of applications recommended by the respective State Library Authorities.

(b) & (e) In view of the (a) above, does not arise.
