

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1186
TO BE ANSWERED ON 6th DECEMBER, 2021

**OBJECTIVE OF LAUNCHING THE SCHEME FOR SCHOLARSHIP AND
FELLOWSHIP FOR PROMOTION OF ARTS AND CULTURE**

1186. SHRI REBATI TRIPURA:

SHRI ANURAG SHARMA:

SHRI C.N. ANNADURAI:

SHRI SELVAM G:

SHRI DHANUSH M. KUMAR:

SHRI GAUTHAM SIGAMANI PON:

SHRI VIJAY KUMAR DUBEY:

SHRI GAJANAN KIRTIKAR:

- (a) whether the Government has achieved the objective of launching the scheme for Scholarship and Fellowship for Promotion of Art and Culture in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated any criteria/guidelines to award fellowships to outstanding persons and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number and details of artists including SC/ST/OBCs who have received scholarship and fellowship for promotion of Art and Culture during each of the last three years and current year in the North Eastern Region along with the funds sanctioned and utilized for the said scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has any proposal to extend the benefits to more number of people and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to preserve and promote Indian art, literature and culture in the country?

ANSWER

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- (a) Yes Sir. The objectives of launching the 'Scheme of Scholarship and Fellowship for Promotion of Art and Culture' have been fully achieved. The total number of Fellows and Scholars selected and expenditure incurred under the scheme during the last 03 years is placed at **Annexure I**.

- (b) Yes Sir. The Ministry has formulated Scheme guidelines to award Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the field of Culture for research oriented projects. As per these guidelines, upto 400 (200 Junior Fellowships in the age group of 25-40 years and 200 Senior Fellowships in the age group of 40 years and above) are awarded in a batch year. Online applications are invited through open advertisement and selection of meritorious candidates is made on the basis of their performance in interview and synopsis submitted by them before the Expert Committee constituted by the Ministry. The selected Junior and Senior fellows are provided fellowship amount of Rs.10000/- per month and Rs. 20000/- per month respectively for a period of 02 years. The Fellowship is released in four equal six monthly installments on receipt of requisite research reports / documents from the fellows.
- (c)The information is placed at**Annexure II**.
- (d) No such proposal is presently under consideration of the Government.
- (e) In addition to the scheme of Scholarship and Fellowship for Promotion of Art and Culture, the Ministry of Culture also administers various other schemes.g.Financial Assistance for Promotion of Art and Culture, Financial Assistance for Creation of Cultural Infrastructure, Museum Grant Scheme etc. to preserve and promote Indian art, literature and culture in the country, under which grants are being given as financial assistance to organizations and individuals.Also, Ministry of Culture, through its Subordinate, Attached Offices, Autonomous Institutions such as ASI, Zonal Cultural Centres, Akademies, Museums, Libraries etc. plays a key role to preserve and promote both tangible and intangible Indian art, literature and culture in the country.

Annexure I

Selection and Expenditure under the scheme during last 03 years and current year

Amount (Rs. in Lakhs)

Name of Scheme	Financial Year	No. of Selected Fellows / Scholars	Fund Released
Scheme of Scholarship and Fellowship for Promotion of Art and Culture	2018-19	1562	1346.00
	2019-20	1245	1179.00
	2020-21	2254	1268.00
	2021-22 (till date)	1250	807.00

Annexure II

The details and total number of artists including SC/ST/OBCs who have received scholarship and fellowship for promotion of Art and Culture during each of the last three years and current year in the North Eastern Region

Amount (Rs. in Lakhs)

Name of Scheme	Financial Year	No. of Beneficiaries	Fund Sanctioned	Fund Released
Scheme of Scholarship and Fellowship for Promotion of Art and Culture	2018-19	226	110.00	144.00
	2019-20	218	50.00	126.00
	2020-21	185	250.00	105.00
	2021-22 (till date)	95	300.00	69.00
