

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2415
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13th DECEMBER, 2021

**SPECIAL CULTURAL FUND FOR ORGANISING CULTURAL PROGRAMMES IN
JAMMU AND KASHMIR**

2415. SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:

- (a) whether the Government has any system to promote our invaluable culture for organizing cultural programmes particularly to promote cultural/tourism spots at district level in Jammu and Kashmir and establish Special Cultural Fund;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the co-ordination mechanism between the concerned officers and nodal agencies with respect to above objective including procedure for organizing such functions to utilise the allocated funds, promote tourism and business in Jammu and Kashmir State?

ANSWER
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REGION**
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- (a) to (d) The Ministry of Culture administers various scheme components such as Cultural Function Production Grant, Repertory Grant, Cultural Organizations with National Presence etc., under which grants are being given as financial assistance to the organizations to organise cultural events across the country including Jammu & Kashmir. Seven Zonal Cultural Centres across the country play a key role in promotion of culture through the programmes decided in consultation with their member State Government. Jammu & Kashmir is a member State of North Zone Cultural Centre (NZCC), Patiala and a part of the grant provided to NZCC is being utilized to organise cultural programmes in Jammu & Kashmir. However, the execution process is administered through state & not district.
