

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2805
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21st MARCH, 2022

FUNDING TO CULTURE PROMOTING SEMINARS

2805. SHRI MANOJ TIWARI:

Will the **MINISTER OF CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme to fund the seminars/ workshops which promote culture at different forums;
- (b) if so, the details of such schemes;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the details of its impact on the cultural tourism of the country?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN
REGION
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

(a)&(b) Yes sir. The Ministry of Culture administers a scheme by the name of Cultural Function and Production Grant Scheme (CFPGS) under which financial assistance is provided to 'not-for-profit' organizations, NGOs, Societies, Trusts and Universities for organising Seminars, Workshops Conference, Research, Festivals, Exhibitions, Symposia, Production of Dance, Drama-Theatre, Music etc. and small research projects on different aspects of Indian Culture.

The quantum of financial assistance under Cultural Function and Production Grant Scheme (CFPGS) is restricted to 75% of the expenditure, subject to a maximum of Rs. 5.00 lakh per project. However, the Ministry may in exceptional circumstances, increase the assistance to any project of outstanding merit and relevance upto Rs. 20.00 lakhs with the approval of Hon'ble Minister of Culture. The Grant is released in two instalments of 75% and 25%. The scheme is open throughout the year.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) No formal study has been instituted to assess its impact on cultural tourism of the country.
