GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2385 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.08.2022

RENOVATION OF RABINDRA BHAWAN

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Will the MINISTER OF CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry proposes Budget Estimate of Rs. 30095.05 crore in 2022-23 against the budget provision of Rs. 3149.86 crore in 2020-21;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to save and maintain all the Cultural Bhavans constructed within the corporation and municipality areas in the country; and
- (c) the details of proposals received for renovation of Rabindra Bhawans and action taken so far since 2015?

Minister of Culture, Tourism and Development of North Eastern Region (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

ANSWER

- (a) The Budget Estimate for the Ministry of Culture for 2022-23 is Rs. 3009.05 crore against the budget provision of Rs. 3149.86 crore for the year 2020-21.
- (b) Ministry of Culture administers a Scheme by the name of 'Financial Assistance for construction of Tagore Cultural Complexes (TCC)' and a Scheme component by the name of 'Financial Assistance for Building Grants including Studio Theatre' under Financial Assistance for Promotion of Art and Culture. The details of these Schemes are given below:-
- (i) Scheme of Financial Assistance for construction of Tagore Cultural Complexes (TCC): The objective of the scheme is to provide financial assistance for construction of New Tagore Cultural Complexes (TCCs); Upgradation of existing Auditoria/Cultural Complexes including Rabindra 'Bhavans', 'Sadans', 'Rangshalas' etc. Financial assistance under the scheme for any project is normally up to a maximum of Rs. 15.00 crores. The maximum amount of Central Financial Assistance which may be given under

this scheme would be 90% of the total approved project cost in North-Eastern States/UTs and 60% of the total approved project cost in other States/UTs.

- (ii) Financial Assistance for Building Grant including Studio Theatre: The objective of the scheme component is to provide financial support to NGO, Trust, Societies, Govt. sponsored bodies, University, Colleges etc. for creation of cultural infrastructure i.e. studio, theatre, auditorium, rehearsal hall, classroom etc. Maximum assistance under the scheme is Rs. 50.00 Lakh for projects involving new construction or purchase of built up space and Rs. 25.00 Lakh for all other projects in Metro Cities. In non-metro cities, Rs. 25.00 lakh is given as maximum assistance in all projects. Assistance under the scheme to an organization is restricted to a maximum of 60% of the approved estimated project cost, subject to the ceilings given above.
- (c) No specific proposal has been received in the Ministry of Culture for renovation of 'Rabindra Bhavans' in the country since 2015.
