

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2492
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1ST AUGUST, 2022**

FUNDS TO STATES TO ORGANISE FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

2492. SHRIMATI RAJASHREE MALLICK:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government is providing funds to the States to organize fairs and festivals and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the assistance is extended to the States to promote tribal culture also; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds provided to different States during the last three years including Odisha?

ANSWER

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

- (a) No, Sir. State/ UT-wise funds are not released by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India to organize fairs and festivals.

The Ministry of Culture organizes National Level Festivals like Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsavs (RSMs) through its Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) where a large number of artists from all over India are engaged to showcase their talents. Besides RSMs, ZCCs also organize Regional Festivals alongwith other cultural activities/ programmes for promotion of culture every year as per their programme calendar. The grant-in-aid released to these ZCCs during the last three years for organizing their activities including Regional Festivals and RSMs is as under:

(Rs. in lakh)			
Sl. No.	Year	Amount released for organizing activities including Regional Festivals	Amount released for organizing RSMs
i.	2019-20	5732.95	996.00
ii.	2020-21	4009.38	694.68
iii.	2021-22	5881.48	916.60

- (b) & (c) To promote tribal culture, Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India has set up 27 Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) across the country with an objective to act as a think tank and become repository of information on tribal communities. Under the scheme "Support to TRIs", the Ministry of Tribal Affairs provides funds to TRIs for undertaking studies and documentation on life and culture of tribal communities including tribes of North East. TRIs have conducted documentation (Audio-Video,

photos and documentation in written and published form) of indigenous knowledge systems practices, cultures and customs of the tribal communities. Details of funds released to the State Governments during the last three years including Odisha under the Scheme of 'Support to Tribal Research Institutes' are as under:

(Rs. in lakh)				
Sl. No.	State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
1	Andaman and Nicobar	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	Andhra Pradesh	500.00	455.00	432.75
3	Arunachal Pradesh	923.85	184.15	0.00
4	Assam	235.64	0.00	0.00
5	Chhattisgarh	0.00	0.00	189.04
6	Gujarat	1719.06	0.00	0.00
7	Himachal Pradesh	68.05	50.00	114.10
8	Jammu and Kashmir	308.84	206.51	200.00
9	Jharkhand	1654.50	0.00	13.92
10	Karnataka	185.50	26.35	184.25
11	Kerala	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	Madhya Pradesh	0.00	447.00	484.58
13	Maharashtra	141.00	0.00	0.00
14	Manipur	877.00	0.00	0.00
15	Mizoram	1512.00	1178.22	766.65
16	Nagaland	275.00	0.00	85.00
17	Odisha	780.04	503.00	644.76
18	Rajasthan	0.00	8.89	215.34
19	Sikkim	82.50	144.00	273.30
20	Tamil Nadu	0.00	0.00	135.09
21	Telangana	557.25	375.75	548.95
22	Tripura	335.52	0.00	44.29
23	Uttar Pradesh	0.00	35.15	89.25
24	West Bengal	149.25	0.00	0
25	Meghalaya	0.00	0.00	66.22
26	Uttarakhand	693.00	2183.48	1400.75
27	Goa	0.00	202.50	111.75
Total		10998.00	6000.00	6000.00