

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 24
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.11.2024**

ENRICHMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

**24. SMT. SHAMBHAVI:
SHRI NARESH GANPAT MHASKE:
DR. SHRIKANT EKNATH SHINDE:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the initiatives undertaken by the Government to enrich India's Cultural Heritage during the last five Years;
- (b) the details of the number, names and schemes launched to revise India's Cultural Heritage at International Level;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for advertisement of such schemes and the amount of budget utilised on such schemes; and
- (d) the details of the number, names and schemes launched to revise India's Cultural Heritage in the States of Maharashtra and Bihar?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)**

- (a) Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) carries out upkeep of all Nationally protected monuments. Besides, Amenities and information has been provided at important monuments to enrich the experience of the visitors. Furthermore, the Government of India has launched Adopt A Heritage 2.0 Programme in 2023 to create framework for engaging public/private sector companies, NGOs, Trusts, Societies etc. to provide amenities at protected monuments to enhance visitors experience to make them visitor friendly.

Through the academies and ZCCs; the focus is on cultural preservation, documentation, research, publication, cultural exchange programmes, capacity building and conservation.

- (b) The Government of India promotes Indian folk Arts and Culture abroad through Global Engagement Scheme under which Festivals of India are organized in other countries showcasing folk art and other cultural events as exhibitions, dance, music, theatre, food fest, film fest, yoga etc. and through grant-in-aid to Indo-Foreign Friendship Cultural Societies for organizing programmes and activities including folk art and other cultural activities for their promotion abroad.

- (c) The Government of India has taken several initiatives for enrich India's cultural heritage during last 5 years. An Umbrella Scheme 'Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana' comprising several sub-schemes has been developed to provide financial assistance for the promotion of Arts and Culture, such as :
- A) Promotion of Guru Shishya Parampara.
 - B) Promotion of Art and Culture.
 - C) Construction of Tagore Cultural Complex.
 - D) Scheme for Scholarship and fellowship for Promotion of Art and Culture.

The Details of funds disbursed under Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana in the last five years and are given as under:-

(Amount Rs. in Crores)

S. No.	Years	Total funds disbursed
1.	2020-21	100.31
2.	2021-22	126.18
3.	2022-23	182.25
4.	2023-24	166.95
5.	2024-25 (Up to 21.11.2024)	59.98

- (d) MoUs have been signed under 'Adopt A Heritage 2.0' for the following monuments in the State of Bihar and Maharashtra:

S. No.	Name of State	Name of Monument
1.	Bihar	Buddhist Stupa, Kesariya, Champaran
2.	Maharashtra	Elephanta Caves, Raigarh (Maharashtra)

The details of financial assistance to the States of Maharashtra and Bihar under "kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana" scheme is given below:-

(Amount Rs. in Crores)

S. No.	Years	Total funds disbursed	
		Bihar	Maharashtra
1.	2020-21	2.69	4.48
2.	2021-22	3.40	6.98
3.	2022-23	6.28	8.54
4.	2023-24	8.19	16.28
5.	2024-25 (up to 21.11.2024)	1.45	4.79