GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 153 TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.02.2025

SAHITYA AKADEMI SEMINAR

153.SHRI DEVUSINH CHAUHAN: SHRI JAGDAMBIKA PAL:

Will the Minister of **CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the main objective of the Sahitya Akademi Seminar on "Literary and Ideological Periodicals" held in December 2024;
- (b) the manner in which the Government proposes to support future initiatives for the growth of regional literature in the country especially through platforms like Sahitya Akademi; and
- (c) whether there would be any follow-up events or publications resulting from the seminar to further explore the themes discussed and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM

(GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) Sahitya Akademi's Symposium titled "Literary and Ideological Journals in Marathi" *MarathitilVangmayin Aani VaicharikNiyatkalike* was held on 28th December 2024 in Nagpur, Maharashtra in collaboration with Vidharbh Sahitya Sangh. The main objectives of the Symposium was to discuss history and tradition, present situation and challenges, and new avenues and future of literary journals in Marathi.
- (b) The Government of India is engaged in preserving, promoting and enriching the literatures of India. The Sahitya Akademi publishes large volumes of material, confers a number of awards and grants, conducts numerous programmes, seminars, workshops, lectures, symposia, readings, discussions and performances in all the 24 languages recognized by

 it.
- (c) The decision on events/ publications in connection with the Symposium on *Literary and Ideological Journals in Marathi*, is taken by the Marathi Advisory Board of Sahitya Akademi which is a continuous activity of the Sahitya Akademi
