

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2468
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025

RECOGNITION OF RAJA RAVI VARMA COLLEGE OF FINE ARTS AS CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

2468. SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any proposal or scope to recognize the Raja Ravi Varma College of Fine Arts, Mavelikkara, Kerala, as a Centre of Excellence, considering its historical and cultural significance and contributions to the development of Indian fine arts;
- (b) if so, the current status of the proposal and the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide academic, financial and institutional support to the college;
- (c) whether the Government has any existing schemes or programmes to recognize and promote institutions of national importance in the field of fine arts and visual culture;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to undertake scientific conservation and preservation of the ancient Buddha statue located in Mavelikkara, which holds archaeological and cultural value; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a) to (e) No Sir. At present, there is no proposal under consideration.