

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2496
ANSWERED ON 15.12.2025**

STATUS OF AWARD OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO YOUNG ARTISTS

**2496. SHRI TANUJ PUNIA:
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Will the **MINISTER OF CULTURE** be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of number of applications received, scholarships sanctioned and disbursed under the Award of Scholarships to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields scheme since 2021 till 30 October, 2025, year and State/UT-wise;
- (b) average and maximum time taken for sanction and disbursement of scholarship funds each year during the said period, year-wise;
- (c) whether any review or audit has been undertaken regarding delays in processing or distribution of scholarship funds; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The number and details of applications received; scholarships sanctioned is attached at **Annexure A**. Further, number of Scholars and amount disbursed for the period from financial year 2021-22 to financial year 2025-26 (till 30.10.2025) is attached at **Annexure B**.
- (b),(c)&(d) After receipt of the applications from the Scholars, the same are evaluated/scrutinized and after that interaction/interview are also held. Subsequently eligible applications are placed before Expert Committee for further consideration and approval and funds for scholarship is released to the eligible candidates in 04 six-monthly installments. However, release after 1st installment depends upon timely receipt of six-monthly reports from Scholars.

Annexure A

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2496 due for answer on 15.12.2025

Sl. No	States/UTs	BATCH YEAR 2019-20*		BATCH YEAR 2020-21		BATCH YEAR 2021-22		BATCH YEAR 2022-23	
		Application received	Approved Scholars	Application received	Approved Scholars	Application received	Approved Scholars	Application received	Approved Scholars
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1	00	1	01	1	00	1	01
2.	Andhra Pradesh	45	03	18	02	16	03	50	04
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	4	01	01	00	4	02	4	01
4.	Assam	148	27	110	15	124	19	198	20
5.	Bihar	145	15	83	22	144	12	162	12
6.	Chhattisgarh	145	11	70	23	127	10	196	11
7.	Chandigarh	15	03	28	06	6	00	14	04
8.	Delhi	225	23	78	12	181	21	289	29
9.	Goa	6	02	8	02	8	00	5	01
10.	Gujarat	53	07	19	08	41	06	55	03
11.	Haryana	74	05	25	12	35	02	77	08
12.	Himachal Pradesh	29	00	8	02	23	02	31	01
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	10	01	9	06	13	01	12	05
14.	Jharkhand	23	08	17	04	34	08	24	05
15.	Karnataka	145	28	37	18	87	26	155	19
16.	Kerala	152	20	48	15	99	17	163	27
17.	Ladakh	00	00	00	00	00	00	1	01
18.	Madhya Pradesh	253	26	194	46	315	39	351	22
19.	Maharashtra	252	41	99	28	174	28	269	50
20.	Manipur	73	08	19	07	62	17	75	10
21.	Meghalaya	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
22.	Mizoram	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00

23.	Nagaland	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00
24.	Odisha	235	25	119	26	319	36	353	39
25.	Puducherry	2	00	00	00	3	00	3	00
26.	Punjab	24	04	5	02	12	01	29	01
27.	Rajasthan	65	10	28	09	62	08	69	07
28.	Sikkim	3	01	1	01	1	00	4	02
29.	Tamil Nadu	65	18	13	10	31	09	68	08
30.	Telangana	79	04	11	02	15	03	76	05
31.	Tripura	25	02	8	01	20	04	29	01
32.	Uttar Pradesh	245	36	107	33	252	42	280	32
33.	Uttarakhand	33	04	13	04	34	05	38	01
34.	West Bengal	509	67	264	83	539	79	804	70
	Total	3083	400	1441	400	2782	400	3885	400

*For batch year 2019-20, applications are invited and received during the year 2021.

For batch years 2023-24, 2024-25 and 2025-26, applications are being received.

Annexure B

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2496 due for answer on 15.12.2025

Amount disbursed under the scheme 'Award of Scholarship to Young Artists in Different Cultural Fields (SYA)' during FY 2021 to till 30th October, 2025

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	State/UT	FY 2021-22		FY 2022-23		FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25		FY 2025-26 (till 30.10.2025)	
		No. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount
1.	Andaman & Nicobar	-	-	-	-	03	0.90	-	-	01	0.30
2.	Andhra Pradesh	20	6.00	03	0.90	09	2.70	06	1.80	07	2.10
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	08	2.40	01	0.30	05	1.50	03	0.90	03	0.90
4.	Assam	56	16.80	28	8.40	89	26.70	58	17.40	49	14.70
5.	Bihar	43	12.90	16	4.80	63	18.90	43	12.90	39	11.70
6.	Chandigarh	03	0.90	03	0.90	09	2.70	07	2.10	07	2.10
7.	Chhattisgarh	35	10.50	10	3.00	50	15.00	38	11.70	35	10.50
8.	NCT of Delhi	72	24.00	21	6.30	73	21.90	53	16.20	59	18.00
9.	Goa	04	1.20	02	0.60	06	1.80	04	1.20	1	0.30
10.	Gujarat	26	7.80	05	1.50	23	6.90	19	5.70	16	4.80
11.	Haryana	22	6.60	05	1.50	25	7.50	18	5.40	20	6.00
12.	Himachal Pradesh	04	1.20	-	-	04	1.20	03	0.90	04	1.20
13.	Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir	16	4.80	01	0.30	09	2.70	08	2.40	12	3.60
14.	Union Territory of Ladakh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15.	Jharkhand	17	5.10	08	2.40	24	7.20	17	5.10	15	4.50
16.	Karnataka	80	24.00	30	9.00	97	29.10	63	18.90	56	17.10

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		No. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount	Nos. of Scholars	Amount
17.	Kerala	74	22.20	20	6.00	71	21.30	48	14.40	54	16.50
18.	Madhya Pradesh	128	38.40	27	8.10	131	39.30	104	31.80	100	30.30
19.	Maharashtra	132	39.60	40	12.00	127	38.10	81	24.30	94	28.80
20.	Manipur	30	9.00	08	2.40	39	11.70	29	8.70	32	9.60
21.	Meghalaya	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
22.	Mizoram	01	0.30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23.	Nagaland	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24.	Odisha	75	22.50	25	7.50	97	29.10	71	21.60	91	27.90
25.	Pondicherry	02	0.60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
26.	Punjab	14	4.20	04	1.20	11	3.30	05	1.50	03	0.90
27.	Rajasthan	21	6.30	10	3.00	37	11.10	25	7.50	19	6.00
28.	Sikkim	02	0.60	01	0.30	03	0.90	02	0.60	02	0.60
29.	Tamil Nadu	37	11.10	18	5.40	51	15.30	32	9.90	23	6.90
30.	Telangana	12	3.60	03	0.90	13	3.90	08	2.40	11	3.30
31.	Tripura	03	0.90	02	0.60	10	3.00	06	1.80	04	1.20
32.	Uttarakhand	08	2.40	03	0.90	16	4.80	10	3.00	09	2.70
33.	Uttar Pradesh	153	45.90	35	10.50	134	40.20	97	29.70	99	30.30
34.	West Bengal	195	58.50	67	20.10	278	83.70	219	65.70	214	64.20
	Total	1293	390.30	396	118.80	1507	452.40	1077	325.5	1079	327.00