

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF POSTS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.512
TO BE ANSWERED ON 2ND DECEMBER, 2015**

PHILATELIC EXHIBITIONS

512. SHRI C. MAHENDRAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the postal department hold or proposes to hold the State-level philatelic exhibitions once in a year instead of once in four years, so that one can learn about personalities, freedom fighters, culture, religion and art etc.;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether the Government has planned to encourage NGOs for this purpose; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)**

(a) Yes, Madam. The department has been organising State Level Philatelic Exhibitions on a regular basis every year in different Postal Circles in the country subject to availability of funds.

(b) &(c) The Details of State Level Philatelic Exhibitions held during the 2014-15 and State Level Philatelic Exhibitions held and proposed to be held during the year 2015-16 are as follows:-

(i) **Name of the Circle where State Level Philatelic Exhibition was held in 2014-15**

Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan.

(ii) **Name of the Circle where State Level Philatelic Exhibition was held and proposed to be held during the year 2015-16**

Delhi, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Punjab, West Bengal.

As regards, encouraging NGOs for this purpose, it is intimated that there is no such proposal at present.
