GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.53 TO BE ANSWERED ON APRIL 25, 2016

ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO PROMOTE CULTURE

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Will the Minister of CULTURE be please to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to reserve funds for promoting cultural capital of the country;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to promote the cultural affairs of the tribal and other marginalized groups;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the extent to which these steps are likely to be helpful in promoting culture of our country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- (a): No, Sir.
- (b)&(c): Ministry of Culture allocates 2% of its Plan allocation for promoting the culture affairs of the tribals under Tribal Sub- Plan.

Plan funds allocated and expenditure incurred for promoting and providing benefits to Tribal communities for different cultural activities from 2012-13 onwards are given below:

(Rs. in crores)

S.No	Year	BE	RE	Expenditure incurred
1	2012-13	17.28	17.28	13.61
2	2013-14	30.74	29.40	26.27
3	2014-15	36.70	30.00	25.88
4	2015-16	29.70	28.34	23.04*
* tentative				

(d): Efforts are made for promoting tribal culture through cultural organizations and various schemes under Ministry of Culture for the benefits of the tribal individual / community.