

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.13
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.07.2016**

SETTING UP OF NATIONAL VIRTUAL LIBRARY

13. KUMARI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE:

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

- a) whether the National Knowledge Commission recommended a National Mission on Libraries (NML) which includes the setting up of National Virtual Library of India and Model Libraries at State and District level; and
- b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**MINISTER OF STATE, CULTURE
AND TOURISM (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)**

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

ANSWER

(a) Yes Madam.

(b) Accordingly, National Mission on Libraries was set up vide notification dated 4th May, 2012. The National Mission on Libraries identified four core areas of work:

- i. Creation of National Virtual Library of India
- ii. Setting up of NML Model Libraries.
- iii. Quantitative and Qualitative Survey.
- iv. Capacity Building

The work of setting up of National Virtual Library of India (NVLI) under National Mission on Libraries at a project cost of Rs.7234.89 Lakh has been entrusted to Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay which is working in collaboration with Indira Gandhi National Open University, Centre for Development of Advanced Computing and National Knowledge Network. The Mission will also upgrade infrastructure of one existing State Central Library and one District Library in each State/UT as Model Libraries. State Central Libraries and District Libraries so far approved by finance committee of NML for upgradation as Model Libraries are at Annexure.

ANNEXURE

Annexure to reply of part(b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 13 for reply on 18/07/2016.

SL NO.	STATES	NUMBER OF LIBRARIES
1	Andhra Pradesh	2
2	Arunachal Pradesh	2
3	Assam	2
4	Chhattisgarh	2
5	Goa	2
6	Gujarat	1
7	Karnataka	2
8	Kerala	1
9	Manipur	2
10	Mizoram	2
11	Odisha (Orissa)	2
12	Rajasthan	2
13	Tamil Nadu	2
14	Telangana	2
15	Tripura	2
16	Uttar Pradesh	2
17	West Bengal	2
18	Puducherry (Pondicherry)	2
	Total	34