

QUESTION DETAILS

MINISTRY OF : CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1749

TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.07.2019

Regional Centre of National School of Drama in the country

1749. Shri G.C. Chandrashekar

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Government has taken initiatives to attract the regional talent in the field of drama and acting, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has any proposal to set up Regional Centre of National School of Drama at various places in the country including Karnataka;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the locations identified for setting up such centres and the time by which they are likely to be set up; and
- (d) the amount allocated and expenditure incurred on Bharat Rang Mahotsava organised by the National School of Drama during the last three years?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) Yes, National School of Drama (NSD), an autonomous organization under Ministry of Culture, enrolls 27 students every year to its 3 years' Post Graduate Course in Dramatics Arts through Selection process by conducting interview audition at 12 centres all over the country to attract talent from all regions of the country. Further, NSD organizes various festivals and workshops to attract the talent in the field of drama and acting i.e; Bharat Rang Mahotsav and North East Festivals etc. Theatre-in-education company conducts workshops for children every year.

(b)&(c) The Broad-Based Committee (Vision Committee) set up by the National School of Drama (NSD) Society in February 2005, inter-alia, recommended opening of five regional centres of the NSD across the country including Bengaluru (Karnataka), and at Kolkata, Maharastra/Goa, Jammu & Kashmir and in the North East.

Now at present, NSD is running 4 centers under consolidation of outreach program, which are in Gangtok, Bengaluru, Agartala and Varanasi, in addition to Delhi campus.

Established:

Bengaluru (Karnataka) - July, 1994

Gangtok (Sikkim) - July, 2011

Agartala (Tripura) - August, 2012

Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh) - August, 2018

(d) International Theatre Festival Bharat Rang Mahotsav
(? in lakh)

Year Allocation Expenditure

2016-17 772.00 772.00

2017-18 -- --

2018-19 795.00 955.03

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