

QUESTION DETAILS

MINISTRY OF : CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 321
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.06.2019
Public libraries in the country

321. Shri G.C. Chandrashekhar

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:-

- (a) the number of public libraries set up in the country and the number of libraries proposed to be set up in various parts of the country including at panchayats and districts level, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the Central assistance made available and utilised in this regard during the last three years and current year, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to enhance to financial assistance for such libraries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the measures taken by Government for the improvement of public libraries; and
- (e) the number of libraries/cultural centres set up/opened abroad?

Answer

Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Culture & Tourism

(SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)

(a) There are six Public Libraries under administrative control of Ministry of Culture namely National Library, Kolkata, Central Reference Library, Kolkata, Central Secretariat Library, New Delhi, Delhi Public Library, Delhi, Khuda Bakhsh Oriental Public Library, Patna and Rampur Raza Library, Rampur.

Data regarding state-wise number of public libraries or number of libraries proposed to be set up in various parts of the country is not maintained by Ministry of Culture as Public Libraries function under the administrative control of respective State/UT Library Authorities being State Subject.

(b) National Mission on Libraries has a scheme for providing financial assistance for upgradation of infrastructure of one State Central Library and one District Library in each State/UT as NML Model Library. State-wise financial assistance sanctioned and payment released is at Annexure- 'A'.

State/UT-wise Central assistance rendered for development of public libraries under Matching and Non-Matching scheme of Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation (RRRLF) is at Annexure 'B'.

(c) & (d) Yes Sir. Details are given in Annexure-'C'.

(e) This Ministry has not opened any libraries abroad. However, ICCR, Ministry of External Affairs has set up/opened 37 Cultural Centres abroad.

Annexure-A

Annexure in reply to Part (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.321 for reply on 25.06.2019.

Statement of amount sanctioned and payment released to State Libraries under NML Model Library Scheme

Statement of amount sanctioned and payment released to State Libraries under NIVEL Model Library Scheme

Rs. in Lakh

Year wise payment released

Sl No	State Name of the Library	Amount sanctioned	Total 2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20
1	Uttar Pradesh State Central Library, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh	206.00	203.75	72.07	0.00	0.00
2	Uttar Pradesh Government District Library, Etawah, Uttar Pradesh	87.00	85.93	39.45	0.00	0.00
3	West Bengal West Bengal State Central Library, West Bengal	222.81	219.82	97.81	40.80	8.66
4	West Bengal North Bengal State Library, Coochbehar, West Bengal	86.98	79.73	28.27	23.45	0.00
5	Odisha H.K.M.State Library,Bhubaneswar, Odisha	223.00	133.00	100.00	0.00	0.00
6	Odisha District Library, Ganajam, Odisha	40.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	Karnataka State Central Library, Bangalore, Karnataka	223.00	159.29	89.80	36.49	0.00
8	Karnataka District Central Library, Shimoga, Karnataka	87.00	79.26	0.00	45.76	17.00
9	Arunachal Pradesh State Central Library, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh	223.00	166.08	98.29	67.79	0.00
10	Arunachal Pradesh District Library, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh	87.00	66.32	32.29	34.02	0.00
11	Tripura Birchandra State Central Library, Tripura	223.00	104.14	44.75	0.00	0.00
12	Tripura Unakoti District Library, Tripura	87.00	36.78	16.33	4.45	0.00
13	Mizoram State Central Library, Aizawal, Mizoram	128.70	124.51	67.00	8.12	16.38
14	Mizoram District Library, Kolasib, Mizoram	50.00	50.00	33.50	0.00	0.00
15	Assam District Library, Jorhat, Assam	40.00	39.99	13.20	21.09	5.70
16	Assam District Library, Guwahati , Assam	70.00	69.59	35.40	34.20	0.00
17	Telangana State Central Library, Hyderabad, Telangana	112.25	72.30	39.39	10.92	22.00
18	Telangana District Central Library, Mahabubnagar, Telangana	52.00	33.00	16.50	0.00	16.50
19	Rajasthan Dr. Radhakrishnan Rajya Kendriya Pustakalaya, Jaipur, Rajasthan	183.51	64.81	33.83	30.98	0.00
20	Rajasthan Rajakiya Sarbajanik Mandal Pustakalaya, Kota, Rajasthan	63.46	33.00	0.00	16.50	16.50
21	Goa Krishnadas Shama State Central Library, Panaji, Goa	223.00	1.49	0.00	1.49	0.00
22	Goa Dr. Francisco Luis Gomes District Library, Navelin, Goa	87.00	3.38	0.00	3.38	0.00
23	Tamil Nadu District Library, Vellore, Tamil Nadu	87.00	59.53	0.00	53.51	6.02
24	Tamil Nadu District Library, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu	70.00	62.78	0.00	25.97	36.81
25	Nagaland State Central Library, Kohima, Nagaland	177.49	175.48	0.00	85.58	89.90
26	Nagaland District Library, Dimapur, Nagaland	73.81	69.75	0.00	38.18	31.57
27	Manipur State Central Library, Imphal, Manipur	40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
28	Manipur District Library, Senapati, Manipur	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
29	Chhattisgarh District Library, Dhantawada	87.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
30	Chhattisgarh District Library, Raigarh	87.00	13.64	0.00	13.64	0.00
31	Andhra Pradesh State Regional Library, Guntur	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
32	Andhra Pradesh Regional Library, Rajamundry	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
33	Pondicherry Romain Rolland Library, State Central Library, Puducherry	166.47	117.13	0.00	33.00	25.41
34	Pondicherry Dr. S. R. Ranganathan Government Public Library, District Library, Karaikal	76.04	3.71	0.00	0.00	3.71
35	Gujarat State Central Library, Gandhinagar	105.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
36	Kerala State Central Library, Thiruvananthapuram	116.61	15.38	0.00	11.95	3.44
37	Sikkim Sikkim State Central Library	3.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
38	Maharashtra District Library, Nandurbar, Maharashtra	21.90	15.75	0.00	13.36	2.39
39	Maharashtra Govt. Divisional Library, Aurangabad	60.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
40	Madhya Pradesh Govt. District Library, Khandwa	73.20	33.00	0.00	0.00	33.00
41	Madhya Pradesh Govt. Ahilya Library, Indore	87.00	16.50	0.00	0.00	16.50
	Total	4238.17	2408.81	857.87	654.62	331.28

Annexure-B

Annexure in reply to Part (b) of Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question No.321 for reply on 25.06.2019.

State/UT wise Central assistance provided by Raja Rammohun Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata under various Matching and Non-Matching schemes for development of public library services during last 3 years and current year

(Amount in Rs.)

Name of The State/UT Central Assistance

2016-17 2017-18 2018-19 2019-20

(as on 24.06.2019)

ANDHRA PRADESH 16085276.43 4045504.92 9545590.59 1092034.82
 ARUNACHAL PRADESH 21975060.47 16603671.10 12012544.80 5774040.63
 ASSAM 34092730.46 48919468.34 10404261.46 1577383.63
 BIHAR 4477167.98 1996869.29 3193946.72 606686.01
 GUJARAT 27865921.45 33474288.57 27403051.15 2156893.54
 GOA 1420087.40 2674826.26 2914079.34 121337.20
 HARYANA 7749982.17 4340061.14 2757794.77 485348.81
 HIMACHAL PRADESH 11051491.97 6319268.20 4166745.53 788691.82
 JAMMU & KASHMIR 5592847.58 34628799.89 12835030.30 2014049.01
 KARNATAKA 28318461.44 60264864.39 34115537.62 1456046.43
 KERALA 10849051.47 7404744.11 13401792.40 849360.42
 MADHYA PRADESH 14550795.93 6489825.20 12942076.21 2548081.25
 MAHARASHTRA 35499981.90 30203707.81 31429021.84 3055120.44
 MANIPUR 26666594.88 22756598.83 25113067.90 424680.21
 MEGHALAYA 5416273.39 2546872.95 2465157.37 485348.81
 MIZORAM 17275115.58 12338594.97 13616949.70 719680.21
 NAGALAND 34530936.38 42367066.79 26300183.27 494564.81
 ODISHA 17741945.96 16153748.72 13492674.37 585348.81
 PUNJAB 3917521.98 1996869.29 1540723.36 303343.01
 RAJASTHAN 33307710.73 27368259.26 28743437.39 1666655.03
 SIKKIM 2238583.99 6236821.65 11590941.49 242674.41
 TAMIL NADU 29251885.43 58240045.03 60364396.34 2175232.44
 TRIPURA 9939710.69 15442789.35 9385477.93 1278118.21
 UTTAR PRADESH 23725133.34 24672604.95 10346887.39 1813415.03
 WEST BENGAL 28063033.45 41869037.57 14450508.59 1622729.82
 ANDAMAN & NICCOBAR 1119291.99 499217.32 616289.34 121337.20
 CHANDIGARH 2515204.40 4117522.20 2565450.60 50872.20
 DADAR & NAGAR HEVALI 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00
 DELHI 550000.00 600000.00 1267500.00 0.00
 LAKSHADWEEP 559646.00 249608.66 308144.67 60668.60
 PONDICHERRY 4641267.49 748825.98 924434.01 182005.80
 CHHATRISGARH 10298229.99 1248043.31 5546604.09 1092034.82
 JHARKHAND 1795787.99 748825.98 1074434.01 182005.80
 UTTARAKHAND 5852601.39 1273043.31 1319236.09 242674.41
 TELENGANA 0.00 2779584.28 15731391.34 2540282.44
 DAMAN & DIU 0.00 0.00 198070.00 0.00
 TOTAL 478935331.70 541619879.62 424083431.98 38808746.08

Note: Sanction of proposal and release of payment depends on submission of proposal and claims from the respective State/UT library authority.

ANNEXURE-C

ANNEXURE IN REPLY TO PART (C&D) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 321 FOR REPLY ON 25.06.2019.

MODIFIED PROVISIONS FOR ASSISTANCE UNDER THE EXISTING SCHEMES OF RRRLF

(A) MATCHING SCHEMES

Financial Assistance Schemes:

Sl. No. Matching Schemes Quantum of assistance Revised Quantum of assistance (State + Central)
 Approved in the Foundation meeting held on 4.05.2018

1 Assistance to Public Libraries Towards Increasing Accommodation

(Construction/Renovation/Extension of Library Building) i. SCL- Rs. 100.00 lakh (one-time)

ii. Divisional / Mondal / District Library / City Central Library- Rs. 50.00 lakh (once in 10 years)

iii. Sub-Divisional / Taluka / Municipal Library- Rs. 25.00 lakh (once in 10 years)

- iv. Other libraries- Rs. 10.00 lakh (once in 10 years) I) SCL- Rs. 200.00 lakh (Total assistance in 10 years)
 - II) District/ Divisional / Mondal Library / City Central Library- Rs. 100.00 lakh (total assistance in 10 years)
 - III) Sub-divisional/ Town/ Taluka / Municipal Library- Rs. 50.00 lakh (total assistance in 10 years)
 - IV) Other libraries- Rs. 25.00 lakh (total assistance in 10 years)
- 2 Assistance towards Development of Rural Book Deposit Centres and Mobile Library Services
- i. Bicycles, rickshaw vans or other inexpensive vehicles;
 - ii. Trunks, books containers or any other storage-cum-carriage equipment;
 - iii. Bags;
 - iv. Books and other reading and visual materials for circulation;
 - v. Loudspeaker, microphone or any publicizing instrument; and
 - vi. Racks/Almirah for base library.

Assistance will be given for items mentioned above subject to a maximum amount of Rs.50,000/- I) Inexpensive Mobile Library Van with book shelves: Rs 7.00 lakhs for the Base Library including installation of Book Display Rack etc in the vehicle (once in 10 years to be procured through authorized dealers)

II) Rs. 50.00 thousand per year for other items like Storage-cum-carriage equipment; Loudspeaker, microphone and other items required for functioning of the mobile library services.

III) Books for circulation are to be provided by the Base Library.

3 Assistance towards Organisation of Seminars, Workshops, Training Courses (Orientation /Refresher), Book Exhibitions and Library Awareness Programmes

- a) State level- Rs.2.00 lakhs
- b) District / Sub-divisional level- Rs.1.00 lakh for each of the following programme

- i. Holding of State level seminars and workshops;
- ii. Running of training courses (orientation/refresher courses of ad-hoc nature);
- iii. Organisation of book exhibitions and
- iv. Organisation of Awareness Programmes
- v. Printing of Brochure, Publicity Folder and production of awareness building material for supply to libraries as per recommendation of respective SLC. I) State level Programme organized by the Directorate or State Central Library - Rs.3.00 lakhs

II) District / Sub-divisional level Programme:

- a) Seminar/Awareness programme- Rs.1.50 lakhs
- b) One day Training/ Workshop Rs.1.50 lakhs
- c) Two days Training/ Workshop Rs.2.50 lakhs
- d) Three days Training/ Workshop Rs.3.00 lakhs

A Library may avail assistance for any of the programme mentioned above and may organize such programmes with the approval of the Convener/Director.

III) Book Fair/Exhibition with Rs.2.00 lakhs per year per district

4 Assistance towards purchase of storage materials, reading room furniture and library equipment like card cabinet, fire extinguisher, generator, water cooler etc. including photo copier

Scheme to be renamed as:

Matching Scheme of Assistance towards purchase of library furniture, storage materials and other items for providing facility to readers. i. Rs. 50,000/- per library per year OR

- ii. Rs. 1,00,000/- per library/ two years OR
- iii. Rs. 2,50,000/- per library/five years

Note: For a newly constructed library onetime special grant not exceeding Rs.10.00 lakh will be given on a case to case basis I) Rs 5,00,000/- for State Central Library.

- II) Rs.3,00,000/- for District/ Divisional/Mondal/ Sub-divisional/Town Library or equivalent
- III) Rs.1,00,000/- for rural and other library

One time special grant for newly constructed library :

- I) Rs.25,00,000/- for State Central Library.
 - II) Rs.15,00,000/- for District / Divisional / Mondal/Sub-divisional / Town Library or equivalent
 - III) Rs.10,00,000/- for town library or equivalent
 - IV) Rs.5,00,000/- for rural or other library
- 5 Assistance to Public Libraries to Acquire Computer with Accessories for Library Application and TV, CD Player, DVD Player for Educational Purposes

Scheme to be renamed as:

Scheme of Matching Assistance to Public Libraries for Modernisation of Library Services a) Items for Modernization, Networking, Supervision charges, related items etc at prevailing market price.

b) Cost of Retro Conversion

- i. SCL- Rs. 25 lakhs
- ii. Others- Rs. 15 lakhs

c) Design, development and content creation for Website:

- i. SCL- Rs. 8 lakhs
- ii. DL- Rs. 5 lakhs

SCL : State Central Library, DL ; District Library a) No change

b) No Change

c) Design, development of Web services and content creation for Website and similar other purpose:

- i. SCL- Rs. 8 lakhs
- ii. District and Other Library- Rs. 5 lakhs

*Cost of Upgradation of Website once in every two years Rs. 4.00 lakhs for State Central Libraries and Rs. 2.00 lakhs for District and Other Libraries.

(B) NON-MATCHING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEMES

Financial Assistance Schemes:

Sl. No. Non-Matching Schemes Quantum of assistance Restriction Revised Quantum of assistance (Central Share only)

1 Non-matching scheme of financial assistance to public libraries towards celebration of 50/60/75/100/125/150 years and like

- a) Rs. 1 lakh for celebration of 50/60/75 years
- b) Rs. 1.50 lakhs for celebration of 100 years or more
- c) One time ad-hoc grant of Rs. 1 lakh for 100 years or more for modernization purposes.
- d) One time grant of Rs. 15,000/- for books and Rs. 10000/- for furniture for rural libraries (Panchayat area) for 50 years or more Seminars / workshops- Rs. 10,000/-
 - i. Books & Binding- Rs. 20,000/-
 - ii. Furniture- Rs. 20,000/-
 - iii. Computer Rs. 1 lakh
 - iv. Renovation- Rs. 50,000/-
 - v. Cultural function, Rs. 10,000/-
 - vi. Publishing Rs. 10,000/-
 - vii. Cash award- Rs. 2,000/- each for 5 persons
- I) Organisation of programmes for celebration e.g. Seminar / Workshop/Cultural program etc in case of 50 / 60 / 75 years or more Rs 1.50 lakhs and for 100 years or more Rs. 2.00 lakhs.
- II) One time assistance of Rs. 5.70 lakhs for 50 / 60 / 75 / 100 years or more for Modernization 2.00 lakhs / Furniture 2.00 lakhs / Books 50,000/- / Publication 20,000/- / Preservation of Books including repair and archival Book Binding etc Rs 1.00 lakh

III) One time grant of Rs. 10.00 lakhs for 50 / 60 / 75 / 100 years or more for extension/renovation of library building including provision for separate toilet for men & women and purified drinking water facility as per Swachh Bharat Mission.

2 Assistance Towards Establishment of RRRLF Children Corner

Scheme to be renamed as:

Assistance for Children library and establishment of RRRLF Children corner.

A. Items Covered under the Scheme :

- i. Purchase of children books, periodicals, comics, brochures, charts, maps, globes, educational toys, learning games etc. ;
- ii. Purchase of audio-visual materials like TV, Cassettes
- iii. Purchase of specially designed book racks, reading tables and chairs;
- iv. Purchase of computer with multimedia kit, software and internet connectivity ;
- v. Special furnishing, decoration and colour.

B. Items covered under Develop Different Sections Of General Public Libraries for Children Section

- i. Purchase of children books
- ii. Purchase of charts, maps, globes, educational toys etc.
- iii. Purchase of steel almirah, steel book case, steel racks, steel reading tables and fibre arm chairs;
- iv. Purchase of audio-visual materials for educational purpose viz. TV, Tape Recorder, Educational Audio Cassettes, CDs etc. The extent of assistance will be limited to Rs.2.00 lakh for building of infrastructure and purchase of the items mentioned by way of one time ad-hoc grant.

For sustaining the project, subsequent grant can be accommodated with the existing non-matching scheme of Financial Assistance to Children Libraries or Children Section of General Public Libraries towards replenishment of stock of books, CDs, cassettes etc., with the new arrivals and also for new initiative. RS 50,000/-

Note : Provisions for Children in two different Schemes should be merged under one scheme I) Assistance a) Creation of Children corner with a minimum of 15ft X 12ft Space with furniture, furnishing / Painting / Decoration etc One time Initial Establishment cost Rs 3.00 lakhs.

b) Computer, Software and related items, TV, Video Player, E-Book Reader, Screen reading software etc for specially abled readers Rs. 2.00 lakhs (Total in five years)

II) Purchase of children books, periodicals, comics, charts, maps, globes, educational toys, learning games, Audio-Visual learning materials (CD / DVD), Braille books or any other item for Children readers, storage materials, furniture etc. Rs 80,000/- per year.

3 Non-matching scheme of financial assistance to develop different sections of general public libraries (Children Section/ Women Section, Senior Citizen Section, Neo-literate Section, Career Guidance Section)

Scheme to be renamed as:

Assistance for development of RRRLF Knowledge Corner in Public Libraries i. Rs.50,000/- for each section (Exception: Rs. 20,000/- for neo-literate section)

ii. Maximum Rs.1,50,000/- for development of different sections per library per year. (Children Section, Women Section, Senior Citizen Section, Neo-literate Section, Career Guidance Section)

At least 60% is to be spent for purchase of books, rest for purchase of Furniture, Equipment etc.

Maximum Rs 2,50,000/- per library per year

Rs 1,00,000/- for career guidance section and Rs. 50,000/- for each of the other three sections Women Section, Senior Citizen Section, Neo-literate Section per library per year. Out of which at least 60% is to be spent for purchase of books and rest for purchase of Furniture, Equipment etc.

Special grant for Modernisation Rs 2.00 Lakhs covering all the sections for items e.g Computer, Printer, Networking, TV and related items. (Total in Five Years)

Children Section has been dropped from this scheme and has been included under the scheme of Assistance for Children library and establishment of RRRLF Children corner.

4 Non-Matching scheme of assistance towards providing facilities for differently abled users in the libraries and establishment of RRRLF differently abled corner

Scheme to be renamed as:

Non-Matching Scheme of Assistance towards

Creation of facilities for Divyangjan Readers i. State Central Library- Rs. 10 lakh

ii. District Library- Rs. 7 lakh

iii. Sub-divisional / others- Rs. 5 lakh Purchase of Books, Braille books, computer screen reading software like JAWS-10, optical character recognition software which can convert printed scanned material into voice like Kurzeweil 1000, refreshable Braille display along with screen reader like Sieka Braille Display, Talking books and special software like DAISY Screen Magnification Software like Magic Screen. , Audio-visual materials viz. CDs, DVDs, Cassettes. specially designed book racks, reading tables and chairs, wheel chairs , Computer with multimedia kit, software and internet connectivity , Furniture, Wheelchairs, Construction of Ramps, Provision for easily accessible drinking water while sitting on the wheelchair etc A) Establishment of Divyangjan Readers corner : Total in Five years

I) State Central Library- Rs. 10 lakhs

II) District /Regional Level Library- Rs. 7 lakhs

III) Sub-divisional/Town / other Library - Rs. 5 lakhs

B) Procurement of Reading resources for Divyangjan Readers Rs 50,000/- per year.

5 Financial assistance towards organisation of Seminar/Conference by professional organisations, local bodies, NGOs engaged in public library development/library movement and University Departments of Library Science.

Scheme to be renamed as :

Non-Matching Scheme of Assistance for organisation of National Level Seminar, Workshop, Training and Awareness Program. 50% of the approved estimated expenditure, subject to a maximum amount of Rs. 1.00 lakh RRRLF's share will be limited to the extent of :

I) One day Seminar / Awareness / Training programme/ Workshop Rs.1.50 lakhs

II) Two days or more Seminar / Awareness / Training programme/ Workshop Rs.2.50 lakhs

6 Non-matching Scheme of Financial Assistance to Voluntary Organisation providing Public Library Services

i. Books, furniture, equipment and computer with accessories, Market price of Generator/ Copier / Water Cooler - Rs.3.00 lakh

ii. Libraries having existence less than 30 years- Rs.6.00 lakh

iii. Other libraries- Rs.10.00 lakh i. Construction Work / Generator- Once in 10 years

ii. Computer with accessories and furniture- Once in 5 years.

iii. Furniture and

iv. equipment- except copier machine- Once in 3 years

v. Copier machine/ Water Cooler- Once in 5 years

- vi. Books- Every year I) One Generator/Inventor - Once in 10 years 1.00 lakh
- II) Computer with accessories and furniture- Once in 5 years 1.50 lakh
- III) Furniture and equipment- except copier machine- Once in 3 years: 1.50 lakh
- IV) Copier machine/ Water Purifier - Once in 5 years : Rs 75,000/-
- V) Books- Every year Rs 50,000/-
- VI) Construction / Renovation of Library Building :
 - a. Libraries having existence more than 10 years- Rs.10.00 lakhs
 - b. Libraries having existence more than 20 years - Rs.15.00 lakhs.

RRRLF share would be limited to 90% of the estimate subject to the cost ceiling as mentioned above and the organization will have to bear the remaining 10% of the estimated cost (in lieu of 75:25 ratio in the existing provisions).

7 Non-Matching Scheme of Assistance For Collection and Compilation of Library Statistics Through Official And Non-Official Agencies.

- i. Urban Area @Rs 150/- per Library
- ii. Rural Area @Rs 200/- per Library
- iii. Hilly @Rs 250/- per Library
- iv. Difficult Terrain and Disturbed Area @Rs 400/- per Library

[Rate was approved in RC on 27th November, 2007] Data from Govt. / Govt. Sponsored Libraries have to be collected by State Authorities without any External Agency.

50% may be paid as advance to the State Authority. Data Collection :

- i. Urban Area and Rural Area @ Rs 350/- per Library
- ii. Hilly Area, Difficult Terrain and Disturbed Area @ Rs 450/- per Library.

Data Entry & Validation :

- i. Rs 50/- per library

Data Compilation, Analysis and Report Generation:

- i. Rs 150/- per library

Plus Taxes as applicable.

8 Assistance to centrally sponsored libraries The object of the scheme is to support Central / State Govt. sponsored institutions / organisation and providing public library services in rural areas, so as to cover the Universities, Centrally sponsored Institutions providing public libraries in the rural areas in the model of Palli Sanghatana Bivag, Vishwa-Bharati, Sriniketan.

In case of Palli Sanghatana Vibhag, Visva Bharati, a duly constituted committee with a representative from the Foundation finalises the proposals for assistance under the scheme. RRRLF provided Rs 3.5 lakh (Books 2.80 lakh, Furniture Rs 2.20 lakh during 2015-16 and allocated Rs 5.50 lakh during 2016-17 for Rural Extension Centre of Visva Bharati covering 35 libraries for Books and Furniture. An equal amount or higher was shared by the VB Authority.

Assistance to Public Libraries run by a Central Organisation:

- i. Books : 25,000/- per library /per year
- ii. Furniture : 25,000/- per library /per year
- iii. Computer, Printer and related items: Rs 70,000/- (Total in five year per library)

Total Rs 1,20,000/- per library on a 50:50 sharing basis with the Central Organisation like Visva Bharati subject to the above ceiling limit.

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