

(a) the details of the cultural programmes organised in the country and abroad during the last three years;

(b) the amount spent separately on each programmes;

(c) the details of people who have participated in the above said programmes; and

(d) the details of the steps being taken by Government for organizing the cultural programmes in future?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) Besides Festival of Germany in India with 37 programmes in 26 cities during 2000-01, the programmes of 48, 23 and 43 foreign performing Art troupes presenting Music (Vocal/Instrumental), Dance (Folklore) and other art forms (Theatre) were organised in the country under the aegis of Indian Council for Cultural Relations during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001. 108, 72 and 62 performing art troupes presenting music (Vocal/Instrumental), dance (classical/folk) and other art forms (theatre/puppet) were sent abroad during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 under the aegis of Indian Council for Cultural Relations.

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) The Programmes by foreign groups in India and Indian groups abroad are organised on the basis of an annual plan of action for the period April-March prepared by Indian Council for Cultural Relations. Action Plan for the year 2002-2003 is under preparation.

Repair of monuments

959. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has finalised a list of monuments which need immediate repair works;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) the details of steps being taken by Government to give proper care to these monuments?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) to (c) The Archaeological Survey of India has 3606 centrally protected monuments. The monuments are inspected periodically. Based upon their actual requirements & availability of funds, conservation and development works are approved and taken up for execution.

Target for Kisan Credit Card for North-Eastern States

960. **SHRI KHAGEN DAS:** Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the target for Kisan Credit Card for N.E. States during 2001-2002, State-wise, separately;

(b) what are the achievements;

(c) whether achievement is far short of the target;

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefore;

(e) the amount disbursed so far, State-wise; and

(f) whether the banks are violating the directives of RBI in this respect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has reported that the annual targets regarding issuance of Kisan Credit Cards (KCCs) are set bank-wise and not state-wise. In so far as the public sector banks are concerned, the target for the year 2001-2002 is 33 lakh KCCs for all states. Against this target public sector banks have issued 9.47 lakh KCCs upto August 2001. However, state-wise targets have been fixed for cooperative banks and regional rural banks, by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). The details of the target fixed and the achievement thereof in North Eastern States during the year 2001-2002 (upto 31.8.2001) are given below: