

- (v) Sahitya Akademi gives away awards in all the languages recognized by it including North-Eastern languages like Assamese, Bodo, Manipuri and Nepali. It is also holding a programme called "Loka: The Many Voices", a programme consisting of lectures and demonstrations. This programme was conceived to protect and preserve the folk and tribal art and culture.
- (vi) Sangeet Natak Akademi, under its Plan Scheme of "Establishment of National Centres for Specialized Training", has set up three national projects focusing on Satriya Dance and Allied Traditions of Assam.

Scheme sanctioned for financial assistance in Assam

1274. SHRI KUMAR DEEPAK DAS: Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the scheme sanctioned for financial assistance in Assam during the last five years;
- (b) whether the Ministry has sanctioned any financial assistance for publication of magazine or journals to Guwahati Artist Guild;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Ministry has any proposal to enhance such assistance for publication to showcase the contemporary and modern art in NE Region; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH):

(a) Ministry of Culture operates a number of Schemes that provide grants or financial assistance to institutions, individuals, NGOs, voluntary organizations and government - aided cultural organizations throughout the country including Assam. The names of the schemes administered by the Ministry at present are given in the Statement (*See below*).

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) There is no such proposal since the Scheme, "Financial Assistance for Publication of Magazines and Journals dedicated to Indian Culture and Heritage" is not yet finally approved.

Statement

Sl.No.	Ongoing Schemes
1.	Financial Assistance to Professional Groups and Individuals engaged for specified Performing Arts Projects
2.	Cultural Functions Grant Scheme (CFGs)
3.	Grant in aid to Voluntary organizations for organising Centenaries/Anniversaries
4.	Financial Assistance for preservation and development of Buddhist/Tibetan Culture and Art
5.	Financial Assistance for preservation and Development of Cultural Heritage of the Himalayas
6.	Award of Scholarships to Young Artistes in Different Cultural Fields
7.	Award of Fellowships to Outstanding persons in the field of Culture
8.	Tagore National Fellowship for Cultural Research (New)
9.	Financial Assistance to Persons Distinguished in Letters, Arts and Such other Walks of life who may be in indigent circumstances and their dependents
10.	Building Grants including Studio Theatres
11.	Tagore Cultural Complexes
12.	Financial Assistance for 'Setting Up, Promotion and Strengthening of regional and Local Museums'
13.	Revised Norms/Guidelines for setting up of new Science Cities and Science Centres
14.	Grant in Aid to voluntary Organizations/Societies for Development and maintenance of National Memorials
15.	Tagore Commemoration Grant Scheme (TCGS)
New Schemes	
16.	Cultural Heritage Youth Leadership Programme
17.	Financial Assistance for publication of Magazines and Journals dedicated to Indian Culture and Heritage
18.	Financial Assistance for Book Fairs, Book Exhibitions and Participation in International Book Fairs/ Publishing Events, etc.