Sl. No.	Name of the States/UTs	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15
6.	Kerala	0.000	600,000	600.000
7.	Karnataka	707.372	26.679	8.584
8.	Madhya Pradesh	4350.000	4500.000	4272.940
9.	Maharashtra	28.300	2610.000	1900.000
10.	Manipur	100.000	100.000	47.500
11.	Odisha	3260.000	2000.000	2500.000
12.	Rajasthan	1500.000	700.000	1500.000
13.	Tamil Nadu	1446.658	2026.757	128.349
14.	Tripura	700.000	950.000	826.540
15.	Telangana	0.000	0.000	600.000
16.	Uttarakhand	400.000	0.000	0.000
17.	West Bengal	0.000	1300.000	0.000
	Total	17850.000	20689.544	17999.989

## Preservation of cultural life of tribals of Andaman and Nicobar Islands

- 142. SHRI TARUN VIJAY: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government plans to have the cultural life of the tribals of Andaman and Nicobar Islands preserved and projected in its glorious form, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government has any plans to highlight the struggle of locals tribals for freedom including the battle of Aberdeen, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA): (a) The Ministry of Tribal Affairs supports documentation and preservation of tribal culture. As a part of the scheme of "Research, Information and Mass Education, Tribal Festivals and Others", financial assistance is extended to Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) established in eighteen States and the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands. In addition to the above, in 2014-15 this Ministry has launched Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana as a strategic approach and one of the focus areas of this strategy is tribal culture. Ministry of Culture, Government of India through the Zonal Cultural Centres has also organized

several programmes on folk, tribal culturrs, festivals in Andaman and Nicobar Islands for the preservation of cultural life of the Tribals. The Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysore, has undertaken various projects for the preservation of tribal culture in Andaman and Nicobar Islands, including study on the language of particularly vulnerable tribes. Andaman and Nicobar Administration encourage tribal communities to showcase the rich culture heritage of Nicobarese in the Island Tourism Festival at Port Blair, every year.

(b) The Andaman and Nicobar Administration has apprised that a Memorial has been constructed at the entrance of the Water Sports Complex at Port Blair in the memory of those Great Andamanese, who had laid down their lives in the famous Battle of Aberdeen fought on 17th May 1859 against Britishers and a solemn function is organized every year on this day. Ministry of Culture, through its autonomous organization namely Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre (EZCC), Kolkata, had organized a theatre show namely "Aberdeen Ki Ladai" performed by rural artistes of Andaman and Nicober Islands in the year 2006 at Kolkata and Santiniketan.

## Funds released for hostels for ST girls and boys

†143. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: SHRIMATI KANAK LATA SINGH:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the State-wise quantum of funds released during the last three years for the construction of hostels and vocational training centres for the boys and girls belonging to the Scheduled Tribes;
- (b) the percentage of success as per the prescribed target, towards which the scheme is heading;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the impediments of funds released by the Central Government is affecting the success of this scheme; and
- (d) the details of the students beneficiaries under this scheme during last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA): (a) The requisite details sought in this part of the question are given in the Statement-I (*See* below).

<sup>†</sup> Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.