

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 831
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.02.2021**

REGIONAL CENTRES OF IGNCA

831. SHRI RAJEEV SATAV:

Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of regional centres of Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) functioning at present;
- (b) whether there is an urgent need for internal changes to make IGNCA a vibrant national institution for art and culture and, if so, the details thereof and the response of Government thereto; and
- (c) whether Government has received any complaint regarding misappropriation of funds in IGNCA during the last three years and, if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

**MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM
(PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL)**

ANSWER

- (a) There are total Nine Regional Centres of IGNCA functioning at present. Six new regional centres namely (i) Ranchi, (ii) Vadodara, (iii) Goa, (iv) Thrissur (v) Jammu/Srinagar; and (vi) Puducherry started with the approval of IGNCA Trust and its Executive Committee.
- (b) Yes, Sir. IGNCA is working regularly towards making itself a vibrant national institution for art and culture. Accordingly, IGNCA has endeavored for networking with Universities as well as other Institutions for mutual collaboration by signing Memorandum of Understandings (MoUs), organizing Seminar/Conferences, Public Lectures, Exhibitions and other cultural events.
- (c) Complaints are routinely received in Ministry alleging various irregularities in policy matters on part of IGNCA which are investigated as per procedures, to ascertain their veracity.
