

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 485  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2022**

**INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE ARTS**

**485. SHRI SANJEEV ARORA  
SHRI K.C. VENUGOPAL:**

Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to start regional centres of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA) and if so, the details thereof and States which are shortlisted for this purpose;
- (b) whether IGNCA is not having adequate staff strength thereby affecting its performance and if so, corrective step taken in this regard; and
- (c) whether performance of IGNCA has remained less than satisfactory in its role as a centre for research, inspite of having adequate funds and if so, corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

**MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM and DEVELOPMENT OF  
NORTH EASTERN REGION  
(G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**ANSWER**

- (a) IGNCA has 9 regional centres across the country:

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| 1. Bengaluru, Karnataka | 2. Goa                     |
| 3. Ranchi, Jharkhand    | 4. Thrissur, Kerala        |
| 5. Guwahati, Assam      | 6. Jammu & Kashmir         |
| 7. Vadodara, Gujarat    | 8. Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh |
| 9. Puducherry           |                            |

The decision to open additional regional centre depends on feasibility and financial viability of project. Presently there is no proposal for starting new regional centre of IGNCA.

- (b)&(c) The IGNCA has sufficient staff strength to cope with the responsibilities assigned to it. It has successfully conducted research works and various projects. Several programmes/events have been completed by IGNCA under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM).

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