WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO.178 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.12.2022

CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT OF PUNJAB

*178 SHRI VIKRAMJIT SINGH SAHNEY

Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of efforts being made towards the cultural development of the State of Punjab during the last three years;
- (b) whether the Ministry has received any request for rectifications needed in restoration of legacy of Jallianwallan Bagh;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Ministry is planning to do any rectifications to restore legacy of Jallianwallan Bagh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) IN RESPECT OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 178 FOR REPLY ON 22.12.2022 REGARDING CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT OF PUNJAB

(a) North Zone Cultural Centre (NZCC), Patiala is one of the seven ZCCs set up by the Govt. for cultural development of the State of Punjab. This Cultural Centre organizes a variety of programmes/events covering all the aspects of art & culture like Fairs & Festivals, Workshops on Theatre & Folk Dances, Folk Music, Folk Instruments, Folk Singing, Painting Camps & Exhibitions etc. at various places in the State of Punjab for cultural development and also participates in the cultural activities/programmes organized by the State Govt. A list of festivals/ programmes organized by NZCC, Patiala for cultural development in Punjab during the last three years is at **Annexure**.

(b) to (d) Yes Sir, some requests were received to make certain changes/ corrections in signages, etc., at the Jallianwallan Bagh. Accordingly, necessary changes such as spelling mistakes in Punjabi language and Gurumukhi script have already been made.

ANNEXURE

Major activities organized in the State of Punjab during the last three years

2019-20

- i. Lok Utsav at Patiala
- ii. Punjab Nrtya Utsav at Jalandhar & Patiala
- iii. Baba Sheikh Farid AagmanPurb at Faridkot
- iv. Saras Mela at Ropar and Gurdaspur
- v. Patiala Heritage Festival at Patiala
- vi. Rose Festival at Chandigarh
- vii. Teej Festival at Chandigarh
- viii. 550th Birth Anniversary of Shri Guru Nanak Dev Ji at Malout
- ix. Harivallabh Sangeet Sammelan at Jalandhar

2020-21

- i. Lok Utsav at Gurdaspur
- ii. Kala Mahotsav Nayi Umeed Nayi Pehal (online)
- iii. Classical Dance Festival at Chandigarh
- iv. National Transgender Dance Festival (online)
- v. Satguru Kabir Mahima at Chandigarh
- vi. International Women's Day at Ambala

2021-22

- i. Lok Utsav at Gurdaspur
- ii. Harivallabh Sangeet Sammelan at Jalandhar
- iii. 146thHarivallabh Sangeet Sammelan at Jalandhar
- iv. Malerkotla Cultural Festival at Malerkotla
- v. Teej Festival at Chandigarh
- vi. Kisan Mela at Ludhiana
- vii. Rose Festival at Chandigarh