

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2420

TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2023

SETTING UP OF SAHITYA AKADEMI IN STATES

2420# SMT MAHUA MAJI:

Will the Minister of Culture be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Government's institutions currently working at Centre and State level for the promotion of literature being written in the languages approved by the Constitution of the country;
- (b) the Sahitya Akademis functioning at Centre and State level;
- (c) whether Government is considering to set up Sahitya Akademi in near future in the States including Jharkhand where Sahitya Akademi has not yet been set up;
- (d) if so, by when it is likely to be set up; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM & DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

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(a) to (e) Sahitya Akademi, under the Ministry of Culture, is working to promote literature contained in the 24 Indian languages recognized by the Akademi apart from promoting literature in tribal and oral traditions of India.

Headquartered in Delhi, the Sahitya Akademi has its offices in Kolkata, Chennai, Mumbai and Bengaluru, and these offices work for the promotion of literature in different languages of the regions.

At present there is no proposal to set up Sahitya Akademi in Jharkhand. However, the Akademi has conducted several events in Jharkhand. Events conducted by Sahitya Akademi in Jharkhand for the year 2023 are listed below:

1. Symposium: "Odia Bhasha Sahitya O Sanskruti" in collaboration with PG Department of Odia, Kolhan University, Chaibasa, Jharkhand on 24 May 2023 at 10 AM - Kolhan University Auditorium.
2. Programme: "Gramalok: Maithili Poetry Reading" on 15 January 2023 at Suman Memorial Trust, Seedgora, Dist. Purbi Singhbhum, Jharkhand.
