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Award of Fellowships to outstanding persons in the field of Culture

Senior and Junior Fellowships are awarded annually under the 'Scheme for the Award of Fellowships to Outstanding Persons in the Field of Culture' by the Government.

Under the scheme upto 400 fellowships (200 junior in the age group of 25-40 years and 200 Senior in the age group of above 40 years) are given every year to outstanding persons in the fields of art and culture. Online applications are invited every year and fellows are selected on the basis of assessment of project proposals/interview by an Expert Committee constituted by Ministry of Culture. Junior fellows are given fellowship at Rs. 10,000/- pm and Senior fellows at Rs. 20,000/- pm for a period of 2 years.

Fellows are selected by the Expert Committee on the basis of merit of their project proposals/interviews irrespective of their categories.

This information was given by the Union Minister of State for Culture (Independent Charge), Dr. Mahesh Sharma in a written reply to the Rajya Sabha today.

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