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To,

Sri S.C. Mondal

Under Secretary to the GoI, M.II

Ministry of Culture,

ShastriBhavan

New Delhi – 110 001

Sub: Rajya Sabha Question Diary no. 1227 for 28.11.2019 'High expenses on Government litigation'

Ref: Your e-mail dated 16.07.2021

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to furnish below materials for framing of appropriate reply to question diary no. 1227 for 28.11.2019 regarding "High expenses on Government litigation":-

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(a)	The details of the expenditure on lawyers' fees and other related expenses incurred by Government on litigation where Government is a party during the last five years; and	Expenditure on lawyers' fees and other related expenses incurred by National Council of Science Museums (NCSM) having 25 constituent units where NCSM is a party during the last five years is shown below:- <table border="1" data-bbox="732 338 1409 583"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>Expenditure incurred on lawyers' fees (in `)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2020-21</td> <td>1,79,415.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2019-20</td> <td>5,19,190.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2018-19</td> <td>10,22,358.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2017-18</td> <td>2,69,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2016-17</td> <td>2,67,345.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>22,57,308.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	Expenditure incurred on lawyers' fees (in `)	2020-21	1,79,415.00	2019-20	5,19,190.00	2018-19	10,22,358.00	2017-18	2,69,000.00	2016-17	2,67,345.00	Total	22,57,308.00
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(c)	The details of steps taken by Government to reduce expenditure on litigation?	Nodal Officer in NCSM has been nominated and Committees for redressal of Public Grievances have been constituted in different units under NCSM so as to reduce expenditure on litigation.														

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Saibal Bose)

Dy. Controller of Administration