

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 964**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2022

**ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW AGE MUSEUMS**

964. SHRI K. R. N. RAJESHKUMAR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the people of present generation are showing more interest in visiting modern museums such as digital, technological museums etc;
- (b) if so, whether Government is considering establishing new age museums at various locations in the country;
- (c) if so, the details of the places selected and the details of themes; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) Yes Sir, Museums under Ministry of Culture are drawing attention of a good number of visitors. A list of those Museums with footfall details is enclosed at Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c) Ministry of Culture operates two schemes namely Museum Grant Scheme (MGS) and Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS) for establishment of Museums and Science Cities/Science Centres/Innovation Hubs respectively.

These schemes aim to provide financial assistance to State Governments, Societies, Autonomous bodies, Local Bodies, Public Sector Undertakings and Trusts registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 for establishment/development and create a congenial spatial setting for diverse exhibitions, galleries and visitors amenities, digitization, etc. in the Museums and Science Cities/Science Centres/Innovation Hubs.

Details of Museums and Science Cities/ Science Centre/Innovation Hubs established under Museum Grant Scheme (MGS) and Scheme for Promotion of Culture Science (SPoCS) during last two years (2020-21 and 2021-22) are enclosed at Annexure-II & III respectively.

Details of upcoming/ongoing Innovation Hub Projects and Science Cities/Centres under SPoCS are enclosed at Annexure-IV.

Besides, an Archaeological Experiential Museum Building at Vadnagar, Gujarat is being established with a Project Cost of Rs.212.1 Cr. This Museum is being developed with an aim to showcase and create an awareness of the unique history of Vadnagar which has its roots laid before 3 rd Century BC and demonstrates an uninterrupted continuum of human habitation for more than 2500 years. The project is envisaged to house inter-alia a state-of-the-Art Archaeological Experiential Museum to showcase recovered antiquarian material as well as audio-visual galleries to recreate past history and display the wealth of ancient wisdom of Vadnagar.

Recently, Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya, a Museum showcasing the life and legacy of all Prime Ministers of our country has been inaugurated on 14th April, 2022. It is a state of heart museum using Virtual Reality, Augmented Reality and Holographic Projections to present the life and works of the Prime Ministers of India.

(d) In view of (b) above, the question does not arise.

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**Annexure-I****ANNEXURE REFERRED IN PART (a) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 964 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 15.12.2022 REGARDING “ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW AGE MUSEUMS AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE COUNTRY”.****Details of Visitors of the Museums under Ministry of Culture from April, 2021 to March, 2022**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Organization</b>	<b>Visitors Footfall</b>
1.	Victoria Memorial Hall (VMH), Kolkata	16,64,436
2.	Science City, Kolkata	7,52,247
3.	Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad	6,28,662
4.	Indian Museum (IM), Kolkata	3,02,977
5.	Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi	1,55,270
6.	National Museum, New Delhi	1,30,245
7.	Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Manav Sangrahalaya, Bhopal	65105
8.	Allahabad Museum, Uttar Pradesh	64952
9.	NGMA, New Delhi	60,293
10.	National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Mumbai, Maharashtra	32,919
11.	National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Bengaluru, Karnataka	25,532

**Annexure - II**

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**Year-wise details of Museums established with financial assistance under the Museum Grant Scheme during the last two years (2020-21 & 2021-22).**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Name of Organization/ Museums</b>	<b>Theme of Museums</b>
1.	Kerala	GALAXY, Karaunasai Road, Velland, P.O Trivandrum	A museum on Socio-Cultural development of the human race
2.	Nagaland	Naga Traditional Museum, Khel, Kohima Village, Kohima,	Historical

**Annexure – III**

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**Science Centre set up under SPoCS during the last two years (2020-21 & 2021-22)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the NCSM Unit</b>	<b>Year of Establishment</b>	<b>Located in State/UT</b>	<b>Theme</b>
1.	Udaipur Science Centre, Tripura	February 28,2021	Tripura	Appropriate Technology in North East India.

**Annexure-III (contd.)**

**List of Innovation Hubs developed under SPoCS during the last two years (2020-21 & 2021-22)**

<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Name of the Science City/ Centre/Museum where Innovation Hub is located</b>	<b>State/Union Territory</b>	<b>Date of Inauguration/Handing Over/Present Status</b>	<b>Theme</b>
1.	Sikkim Science Centre, Gangtok	Sikkim	20 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020	Innovation Hubs are co-located in the existing Science Cities/Science Centres, science museums and non-formal educational institutions that promote creativity & inspire innovations and play a role in fostering problem solving and project based learning and provide hands on practical learning and engagement in the process of science, technology and innovation focusing on current & local requirements and as such are <i>not specific theme based Hubs</i> .
2.	Sukanta Academy, Agartala	Tripura	9 <sup>th</sup> October, 2021	
3.	Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore	Tamilnadu	28 <sup>th</sup> October, 2021	
4.	Anna Science Centre, Trichi	Tamilnadu	28 <sup>th</sup> October, 2021	
5.	Solapur Science Centre, Solapur	Maharashtra	18 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022	

**Annexure-IV**

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**Upcoming/Ongoing Science Centres/Cities under SPoCS:**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Science Centre</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Theme</b>
1.	Kottayam Science Centre	Kerala	Considering the rapid development in Science & Technology, the upcoming Science Centres and Science Cities being set up by NCSM under the Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS) of Govt. of India will focus mostly on <i>themes like communication techniques, digital technologies, virtual &amp; augmented reality, Artificial Intelligence, Robotics, Astronomy &amp; Space Sciences &amp; Technology, Climate Change, etc.</i> The themes are finalized in consultation with State Govt., UT representatives.
2.	Gaya Science Centre	Bihar	
3.	Kokrajhar Science Centre	Assam	
4.	Almora Science Centre	Uttarakhand	
5.	Udaipur Science Centre	Rajasthan	
6.	Rajahmundry Science Centre	Andhra Pradesh	
7.	Ambala Science Centre	Haryana	
8.	Ujjain Science Centre	Madhya Pradesh	
9.	Srinagar Science Centre	J & K	
10.	Bikaner Science Centre	Rajasthan	
11.	Jabalpur Science Centre	Madhya Pradesh	
12.	Ajmer Science Centre	Rajasthan	
13.	Shivamoga Science Centre	Karnataka	

14.	Mayabunder Science Centre **	A&N Island	
15.	Kanyakumari Science Centre**	Tamil Nadu	
16.	Guwahati Science City	Assam	
17.	Dehradun Science City	Uttrakhand	

\*\* The projects have been approved but not yet started due to non-receipt of various commitments from the State/UT.



**Annexure-IV (contd.)**

**Upcoming Innovation Hub Projects under Scheme for Promotion of Culture Science (SPoCS)**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the Science City/ Centre/Museum where Innovation Hub is located</b>	<b>State/Union Territory</b>	<b>Theme</b>
1.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Gaya	Bihar	Innovation Hubs are co-located in the existing Science Cities/Science Centres, science museums and non-formal educational institutions that promote creativity & inspire innovations and play a role in fostering problem solving and projectbased learning and provide hands on practical learning and engagement in the process of science, technology and innovation focusing on current & local requirements and as such are <i>not specific theme based Hubs.</i>
2.	Pilikula Regional Science Centre, Mangaluru	Karnataka	
3.	Regional Science Centre, Chalakkudy	Kerala	
4.	Regional Science Centre, Jaipur	Rajasthan	
5.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur	Rajasthan	
6.	Dharwad Regional Science Centre, Dharwad	Karnataka	
7.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur, Rajasthan	Rajasthan	
8.	Science Centre (Cat-II), Rajahmundry	Andhra Pradesh	
9.	Science Centre, Port Blair	A & N Islands	
10.	Regional Science Centre, Warangal	Telangana	
11.	Regional Science Centre, Ranchi	Jharkhand	
12.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Almora	Uttarakhand	
13.	Science Centre (Cat-II), Jabalpur	Madhya Pradesh	
14.	Science Centre (Cat-II), Srinagar	Jammu & Kashmir	