

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *286
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2026

IMPLEMENTATION OF NMMA

*** 286. SHRI KESRIDEVSINH JHALA:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of implementation of National Mission on Monuments and Antiquities, including the number of monuments and antiquities documented and digitised during the last three years;
- (b) the steps taken to strengthen museums through grant assistance for modernisation, conservation, security and digitisation of collections;
- (c) the details of financial allocations made and utilisation status thereof under NMMA and Museum Grant Scheme during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise; and
- (d) whether any evaluation has been undertaken to assess improvements in preservation standards, visitor engagement and digital access and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF THE RAJYA SABHA
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- (a) The National Mission on Monuments and Antiquities (NMMA) has so far documented 1.84 lakhs unprotected monuments (Built Heritage and Sites) and 17.20 lakhs antiquities of this country.

Number of documented antiquities in the last 3 years, is as under.

Year 2023 – 45,890

Year 2024 – 7,560

Year 2025 – 23,960

- (b) Ministry of Culture operates Museum Grant Scheme under which financial assistance is provided for setting up of new Museums/development/modernization of the existing museums/digitization of museum collections/setting up of virtual museums and training of museums professionals of museums managed by Central/State Governments, Societies, Autonomous bodies, Public sector Undertaking, local bodies, Academic Institutions and Trusts registered under the societies Act at the regional, State.

- (c) Details of funds allocated to the NMMA and year-wise expenditure is as under.

Financial Year	Allocation (Rs.in Lakhs)	Expenditure (Rs. In Lakhs)
2022-23	35.75	34.24
2023 -24	20.00	18.88
2024- 25	20.00	07.78

Details of the amount allocation and utilisation under the Museum Grant Scheme year wise and state-wise during the last three years are at **Annexure-I**.

- (d) NMMA regularly conducts workshops in various regions to raise awareness about documentation, digitisation and preservation of antiquities and BHS as well as and organises training programs for universities, colleges, NGOs, and other interested organizations, in coordination with field offices of ASI.

The digital data is available on the NMMA website: <http://nmma.nic.in> for public access.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred in part (c) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No.*286 for reply on 19.03.2026

Year-wise details of the fund released under the Museum Grant Scheme during the last three financial years (2023-2025).

S. No.	State	District	Name of Organization	Type of Org.	Type of museum	Sanctioned amount	FY: 2022-23	FY: 2023-24	FY: 2024-25	Utilized fund
1	Andhra Pradesh	Anantpur	Government of Andhra Pradesh, Padamshree Kalluri Subbarao Memorial District Archaeological Museum Anantpur	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	572.00	-	286.00	-	572.00
2		Visakhapatnam	Science City of Andhra Pradesh, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Kailasgiri (DovariKonda), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	375.20	58.467	-	-	58.467
3		Godavari	Archaeology and Museum, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, RallabandiSubba Rao	State Govt.	Development of existing museum	400.00	140.043	-	-	140.043

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			Archaeology East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh							
4	Arunachal Pradesh	Ziro	Dept. of Cultural Affairs, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, District Museum, Ziro, Arunachal Pradesh	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	720.00	-	-	21.698	21.698
5	Gujarat	Rajkot	Rajkot Rajya Foundation, Rajit Villas Palace, Palace Road, Rajkot, Gujarat	NGO	Setting of New Museum	500.00	125.00	125.00	-	500.00
6	Karnataka	Shivamogga	Shivappa Nayaka Museum & Research Bureau, Sri Bekkiinakal matha, Shivamogga Karnataka	NGO	Setting of New Museum	300.00	75.00	-	-	225.00
7	LehLadhak	Leh	Deskid Cultural and Welfare Society, Deskid, Gonpa, Ladhak	NGO	Setting of New Museum	435.04	108.76	-	-	326.28
8	Madhya Pradesh	Vidisha	Local Archaeological Museum, Sironj,	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	152.80	22.90	-	-	91.68

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			Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh Heritage Development Trust, Archaeology, Archives and Museum, Banganga Road, Bhopal							
9	Maharashtra	Mumbai	Funds & Properties of the Parsi Panchayat Bombay, of Framji Dada bhoj Alpiwalla Museum, Dr. Dadabhai Naoroji Road, Fort, Mumbai	NGO	Development of existing museum	400.00	-	64.48	100.00	400.00
10		Pune	Symbiosis Society's for Development of Asian Cultural Museum, Pune	NGO	Development of existing museum	35.615	17.807	8.90	8.90	35.615
11	Manipur	Imphal	State Archaeology, Govt. of Manipur Imphal, Manipur for 3 Galleries inside Kangla Fort, Manipur	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	435.51	-	108.87	-	326.632
12		Thoubal	Khongjom War	NGO	Setting of New	500.00	-	125.00	-	375.00

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			Memorial Trust Khongjom Bazar, Opposite Khongjom Police Station, Thoubal District, Manipur		Museum					
13		Chandel	Anallon Christian Development Committee (ACDC), Chandel, Manipur		Setting of New Museum	449.166	-	224.58	-	226.87
14	Mizoram	Lunglei	District Museum, Lunglei, Director Art & Culture Department, Chanmari, Aizwal	NGO	Setting of New Museum	827.217	-	206.807	-	827.217
15	Odisha	Bhubaneswar	J. D Centre Of Art, VIP Colony, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar	NGO	Setting of New Museum	621.60	-	35.352	57.887	497.28
16	Rajasthan	Jaipur	Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum, City Palace, Jaipur Rajasthan		Development of existing museum	400.00	-	1.00	-	127.074
17	Telangana	Hyderabad	Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad, Telangana	Autonomous body of MoC	Virtual Experiential Museum	33.00	-	33.00	-	18.466
18	Uttar Pradesh	Prayagraj	Allahabad High Court,	High Court	Development of existing	20.976	-	10.488	-	15.731

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			Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh		museum					
19		Vrindavan	VRI Braj Culture Museum, Vrindavan Research Institute. Raman Reti Marg, Vrindavan, Mathura. U.P.	NGO	Development of existing museum	340.304	-	-	170.52	271.459
20	West Bengal	Kolkata	Directorate General Border Security Force (BSF) (Eastern Command), Kolkata	Govt.	Setting of New Museum	648.71	-	154.839	-	479.189
21	Delhi	South East	International Society for Krishna Consciousness, East of Kailash (ISKCON), New Delhi	NGO	Development of existing museum	400.00	200.00	-	-	200.00
