

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 525
ANSWERED ON 23.07.2026

PROMOTION OF HERITAGE

525. Shri Neeraj Shekhar:

Will the Minister of **CULTURE** be pleased to state:-

- (a) the details of schemes currently being implemented by Government for preservation and promotion of India's tangible and intangible cultural heritage, particularly in the States of UP and Bihar;
- (b) the details of funds allocated and utilised under these schemes during the last three financial years, State/UT and year-wise, especially in UP and Bihar; and
- (c) whether Government proposes to set up any cultural resource centres or museums in each district of the said States?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM
(SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a)&(b)The Ministry of Culture administers a number of schemes for the preservation, and promotion of India's tangible and intangible cultural heritage across the country, including in the States of Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

For the promotion and conservation of tangible cultural heritage, the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) is responsible for the protection and conservation of Centrally Protected Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains. In addition, the Ministry is implementing the Development of Excavation Sites and Heritage Complexes (DESH) Scheme, a Centrally Sponsored Sub-Scheme announced in the Union Budget 2026, for the promotion and sustainable development of 15 selected tangible cultural heritage sites across the country. The Ministry also implements the Museum Grant Scheme, under which financial assistance is provided for the development, modernization and digitization of museums at the regional, State and district levels. The State/UT-wise and year-wise details of funds allocated/sanctioned and utilized under the Museum Grant Scheme during the last three financial years, including for Uttar Pradesh and Bihar, are given atAnnexure-I.

For the promotion and safeguarding of intangible cultural heritage, the Ministry implements the Scheme for Safeguarding the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH), which supports the identification, documentation, preservation, safeguarding and promotion of India's living

heritage. The Ministry also implements the Cultural Functions and Production Grant (CFPG) Scheme, under which financial assistance is provided for organizing cultural programmes, performances and production-based activities to promote regional, folk and classical art forms. Further, under the Financial Assistance for Promotion of Guru-Shishya Parampara (Repertory Grant) Scheme, financial assistance is provided to eminent gurus and their repertory groups to preserve, promote and transmit India's classical performing arts through the traditional guru-shishya tradition. These schemes are implemented under the Scheme for Promotion of Art and Culture, a component of the umbrella scheme Kala Sanskriti Vikas Yojana (KSVY). Budgetary allocation is made under KSVY and utilized for its various sub-schemes and components.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN PART (a)&(b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 525 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 23.07.2026 REGARDING “PROMOTION OF HERITAGE”.

Year-wise details of the fund sanctioned/released/utilized under the Museum Grant Scheme during the last three financial years

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of Org.	Type of museum	Sanctioned amount	FY: 2023-24	FY: 2024-25	FY: 2025-26	Utilized fund
1.	Andhra Pradesh	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.		Science City of Andhra Pradesh, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Kailasgiri (Dovari Konda), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	375.20	-	-	129.13	150.395
3.		Archaeology and Museum, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, Rallabandi Subba Rao Archaeology East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh	State Govt.	Development of existing museum	400.00	-	-	59.956	200.00
4.		Depart. Of Archaeology and Museum for Development of Andhra Sahitya Parishath Got. Museum, Kakinada Town, Andhra Pradesh	State Govt	Development of existing museum	800.00	-	-	400.00	-
5.	Arunachal Pradesh	Dept. of Cultural Affairs, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, District Museum, Ziro, Arunachal Pradesh	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	720.00	-	21.699	338.301	360.00
6.	Gujarat	Rajkot Rajya Foundation, Rajit Villas Palace, Palace Road, Rajkot, Gujarat	NGO	Setting of New Museum	500.00	125.00	-	-	500.00
7.	Himachal Pradesh	Dept. of Language and Culture Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Bantony Castle,	State Govt.	Development of museum	667.752	-	-	333.876	338.76

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8.	Leh Ladhak	Deskid Cultural and Welfare Society, Deskid, Gonpa, Ladhak	NGO	Setting of New Museum	435.04	-	-	87.01	413.29
9.	Madhya Pradesh	Local Archaeological Museum, Sironj, Vidisha, Madhya Pradesh Heritage Development Trust, Archaeology, Archives and Museum, Banganga Road, Bhopal	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	152.80	-	-	53.48	122.24
10.		Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh	University	Development of existing museum	500.00	-	250.00		66.00
11.		Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board, Jahagirbad, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh for Setting up of a Museum of Music in the South Wing of the Moti Mahal Complex, Gwalior	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	1000.00	-	-	500.00	2.26
12.		Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board, Jahagirbad, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh for Modernization/Development of the City Museum, Moti Mahal, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	State Govt.	Development of existing museum	1500.00	-	-	750.00	750.00
13.		Directorate of Archaeology, Archives and Museums(DAAM), Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Bhopal for development of State Museum of M.P., Bhopal	State Govt.	Development of existing museum	393.21	-	-	98.30	294.90
14.	Maharashtra	Funds & Properties of the Parsi Punchayet Bombay, of Framji Dadabhoy Alpiwalla Museum, Dr. Dadabhai Naoroji Road, Fort, Mumbai	NGO	Development of existing museum	400.00	64.48	100.00	-	400.00
15.		Symbiosis Society's for	NGO	Development	35.615	8.90	8.90	-	35.61

		Development of Asian Cultural Museum, Pune		ent of existing museum					5
16.	Manipur	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
17.		Khongjom War Memorial Trust Khongjom Bazar, Opposite Khongjom Police Station, Thoubal District, Manipur	NGO	Setting of New Museum	500.00	125.00	-	-	375.00
18.		Anallon Christian Development Committee (ACDC), Chandel, Manipur		Setting of New Museum	449.166	224.58	-	112.291	336.87
19.	Mizoram	District Museum, Lunglei, Director Art & Culture Department, Chanmari, Aizwal	NGO	Setting of New Museum	827.217	206.807	-		827.217
20.		Tribal Museum, Kamalnagar, Dist. Lawngtlai, Chakma Autonomous District Council, Kamalnagar, Mizoram	Autonomous Bodies	Setting of New Museum	450.00	-	-	225.00	106.11
21.		Department of Art and Culture, Govt. of Mizoram for Setting up of a Regional Museum at Siaha	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	901.305	-	-	450.652	450.652
22.	Nagaland	Directorate of Art and Culture, Kohima, Nagaland for setting up of Chesore Museum in Tuesang Town Nagaland	State Govt	Setting of New Museum	937.265			222.604	923.03
23.	Odisha	J. D Centre Of Art, VIP Colony, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar	NGO	Setting of New Museum	621.60	35.352	57.887	62.16	559.44
24.	Rajasthan	Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum, City Palace, Jaipur Rajasthan		Development of existing museum	400.00	1.00	-	199.00	199.94
25.	Tamil-Nadu	Govt. Museum, Thirugokarnam, Pudukottai, Tamil Nadu	State Govt.	Development of existing museum	320.00	-	-	80.00	240.00

26.		Government Museum St. Mark Road, Samathanapuram Palayamkottai, Dist. Tirunelveli		Developm ent of existing museum	181.144	-	-	45.28 6	224.9 5
27.		Government Museum Trichy, Rani Managammal Palace, Dist. Tiruchirapalli		Developm ent of existing museum	299.94	-	-	74.98 5	224.9 55
28.		Government Museum Ooty, Stone House, Dist. Udhagamandalam		Developm ent of existing museum	92.00	-	-	23.00	69.00
29.	Telanga na	Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad, Telangana	Autonom ous body of MoC	Virtual Experienti al Museum	33.00	33.00	-		18.46 6
30.	Uttar Pradesh	Allahabad High Court, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh	High Court	Developm ent of existing museum	20.976	10.48 8	-	5.243	15.73 1
31.		India Literacy board, Literacy House, Kanpur Pur Road, Lucknow	NGO	Developm ent of existing museum	500.00	-	-	125.0 0	374.9 3
32.		VRI Braj Culture Museum, Vrindavan Research Institute. Raman Reti Marg, Vrindavan, Mathura. U.P.	NGO	Developm ent of existing museum	340.304	-	170.5 2	152.7 74	323.2 94
33.		Directorate of Museum, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh for Establishment of Sant Ravidas Musuem at Seer Goverdhanpur, Varanasi, up	State Govt.	Setting of New Museum	1000.00	-	-	500.0 0	500.0 0
34.		Department of Tourism, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Luckno w Uttar Pradesh for Deveopment of Digital Ramayana Gallery(Digital Intervenstion) at International Ram Katha Museum and art Gallery, Ayodhya UP	State Govt	Developm ent of existing museum	800.00	-	-	360.0 0	760.0 0

35.	West Bengal	Directorate General Border Security Force (BSF) (Eastern Command), Kolkata	Govt.	Setting of New Museum	648.71	154.839	-	7.33	479.189
36.	Delhi	International Society for Krishna Consciousness, East of Kailash (ISKCON), New Delhi	NGO	Development of existing museum	400.00	-	-	180.00	380.00

Year-wise details of the fund sanctioned/released/utilized under the **Museum Grant Scheme - Digitization of Museum Collection** during the last three financial years

(Rs. in lakhs)								
S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of organization	Sanctioned amount	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	Utilized fund
1.	Karnataka	Basava Samithi, Basava Bhavana, Sri Basaveshwara Road, Bengaluru-560001	NGO	25.00	-	-	12.50	25.00
