

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1166
TO BE ANSWERED ON 23/11/2016**

SCIENCE CITIES/CENTRES

1166. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the Science Cities and Science Centres which exist across States in India;
- (b) the cities which have been selected by the Government of India for the construction of Science Cities in the country;
- (c) the details regarding the development of these Science Cities and the time by which they are intended to come into existence; and
- (d) whether the Government is intending to expand the number of Science Centres across various States in the country and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES
(SHRI.Y. S. CHOWDARY)**

विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और पृथ्वी विज्ञान मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री
(श्री वाई. एस. चौधरी)

(a) Madam, Department of Science and Technology does not deal with Science Cities and Science Centres. National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), an Autonomous Organization under the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, is the nodal agency for developing Science Museums and Science Centers throughout the Country including Science Cities. The statement showing details of Science Centers set up by NCSM are as follows:-

Sl. No.	Names of the Science Cities/Museums/Centres under NCSM	State-wise location
(1)	(2)	(3)
01	Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Kolkata	West Bengal
02	Science City, Kolkata	West Bengal
03	Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai	Maharashtra
04	National Science Centre, Delhi	New Delhi
05	Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore	Karnataka
06	Shri Krishna Science Centre, Patna	Bihar

(1)	(2)	(3)
07	Regional Science City, Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
08	Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar	Odisha
09	Raman Science Centre and Planetarium, Nagpur	Maharashtra
(1)	(2)	(3)
10	Regional Science Centre, Tirupati	Andhra Pradesh
11	Regional Science Centre, Guwahati	Assam
12	Regional Science Centre, Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
13	Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Calicut	Kerala
14	Kurukshetra Panorama & Science Centre, Kurukshetra	Haryana
15	Bardhaman Science Centre, Bardhaman	West Bengal
16	District Science Centre, Purulia	West Bengal
17	District Science Centre, Digha	West Bengal
18	North Bengal Science Centre & Planetarium, Siliguri	West Bengal
19	Dhenkanal Science Centre, Dhenkanal & Kapilas Sc. Park	Odisha
20	District Science Centre & Planetarium, Dharampur	Gujarat
21	Goa Science Centre & Planetarium, Panaji	Goa
22	District Science Centre & Planetarium, Gulbarga	Karnataka
23	District Science Centre & Planetarium, Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu

In addition, NCSM has developed the following Regional/Sub-Regional Science Centres consisting of Science Parks jointly with the respective State Governments/UTs & handed over for operation and maintenance to them under Science Cities Scheme of Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India:

Sl. No.	Science Centers/Planetarium	Name of State/ Union Territory
(1)	(2)	(2)
1.	Science Centre, Port Blair,	A&N Island
2.	Mizoram Science Centre, Aizwal	Mizoram
3.	Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur,	Nagaland
4.	Manipur Science Centre, Manipur	Manipur
5.	Itanagar Science Centre, Itanagar	Arunachal Pradesh
6.	Shillong Science Centre, Shillong,	Meghalaya
7.	Sikkim Science Centre & Planetarium, Gangtok	Sikkim
8.	Sub-Regional Science Centres, Kalimpong	West Bengal
9.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Solapur	Maharashtra
10.	Regional Science Centre, Ranchi	Jharkhand
11.	Regional Science Centre, Dharwad	Karnataka
12.	Regional Science Centre, Raipur	Chhattisgarh
13.	Maharaja Ranjit Singh Panorama, Amritsar	Punjab
14.	Kalpana Chawla Planetarium, Kurukshetra	Haryana
15.	Regional Science Centre, Jaipur	Rajasthan
16.	Regional Science Centre, Pune	Maharashtra
17.	ONGC Golden Jubilee Museum, Dehradun	Uttarakhand
18.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur	Rajasthan
19.	Jorhat Science Centre & Planetarium, Jorhat	Assam
20.	Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore	Tamil Nadu
21.	Regional Science Centre, Pilikula, Mangalore	Karnataka
22.	Sub-Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry	Puducherry
23.	Regional Science Centre, Dehradun	Uttarakhand

(b) Guwahati (Assam) has been selected by Govt. of India for the construction of a Science City. In addition to above, NCSM has also received proposals from the State Governments of Haryana, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Odisha, and Chhattisgarh.

(c) Details of such proposals are as follows:

1. Science City, Sampla, Government of Haryana
2. Science City, Bangalore, Government of Karnataka
3. Science City, Navi Mumbai, Government of Maharashtra
4. Science City, Hyderabad, Government of Andhra Pradesh (*before bifurcation into Telengana and Andhra Pradesh*).
5. Science City, Patna, Government of Bihar
6. Science City, Nagpur, Government of Maharashtra
7. Science City, Bhubaneswar, Government of Odisha
8. Science City, Kumhari, Government of Chhattisgarh
9. Science City/Centre, Vishakhapatnam, Government of Andhra Pradesh

Approximate time for completion of these projects is 54 months from the date of commencement of construction work as per the norms of NCSM.

(d) Yes, Madam. Government is intending to expand the number of Science Centres across various States in the country. The following Science Centre/Cities projects have been taken up by NCSM in a phased manner:-

Sl. No.	Name of Regional Science Centres	State / Union Territory
(1)	(2)	(3)
01	Regional Science Centre, Kottayam	Kerala
02	Regional Science Centre, Mysore	Karnataka
03	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Bargarh	Odisha
04	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur	Tripura
05	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Palampur	Himachal Pradesh
06	Science City, Guwahati	Assam
07	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Rajahmundry	Andhra Pradesh
08	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur	Rajasthan
09	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Kokrajhar	Assam
10	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Mayabunder	A&N Islands
