

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO. 215
TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2017

SCIENCE CITIES/MUESUMS

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SHRI BHARAT SINGH, MP.

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased state:

- (a) the details of the science cities/museums set up in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the salient features of the science cities/museums set up in the country and the objectives behind setting up such science cities/museums;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up at least one science city/museum in each State/UT of the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including the States of Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Gujarat along with the action taken by the Government in this regard and the time by which such cities/museums are likely to be set up in various States;
- (d) the funds allocated and utilized so far in this regard, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) whether his Ministry is coordinating with the Ministry of Science and Technology for the purpose and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA
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- (a) The Ministry of Culture administers a scheme for setting up of Science Cities/Science Centres through National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture. The details of Science Cities set up are ;

Sl. No.	Names of the Science Cities functioning under NCSM	State-wise location
01	Science City, Kolkata	West Bengal
02	Regional Science City, Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh

In addition, Pushpa Gujral Science City, Kapurtala, Punjab and Gujarat Science City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat have been set up by Council of Pushpa Gujral Science City, Punjab and Gujarat Council of Science City, Gujarat respectively with support from Ministry of Culture.

The list of Science Centres is at **Annexure A**.

- (b) The salient features of Science cities/science centres inter-alia include creating an experiment based immersive learning ambience to inculcate a spirit of inquiry, foster creative talent and create scientific temper in the community as a whole through its two-pronged channel of communication - exhibits and activities etc.

The prime objectives of Science Cities/Science Centres include:-

- To portray the growth of science and technology and their applications in industry and human welfare.
- To popularize science and technology in cities, urban and rural areas for the benefit of students and for the common man.

- (c) The Science Cities Scheme provides for setting up of Science Cities and Science Centres in all the states of the country, subject to availability of funds for this purpose. States willing to avail of this Scheme have to provide land and share the cost of setting up of facility and corpus for upkeep and maintenance.

The Science Centres set up in the states of Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Gujarat are:

1. Sri Krishna Science Centre, Patna, **Bihar**
2. Regional Science Centre, Ranchi, **Jharkhand**
3. Regional Science Centre, Jaipur, **Rajasthan**
4. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur, **Rajasthan**
5. District Science Centre, Dharampur, **Gujarat**

The proposals to set up Sub Regional Science Centre, Udaipur in Rajasthan, Sub Regional Science Centre, Gaya and Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Science City, Patna in Bihar have been approved by Ministry of Culture.

There is no specific time frame in the Scheme in which Science Cities/Science Centres are to be set up in each State/UT, since setting up of a Science City/Science Centre depends on the receipt of a proposal from State Government along with commitments for meeting requirements such as land, fund etc.

- (d) The funds allocated and utilized so far by NCSM for setting up of science centres during 12th Plan period is shown at **Annexure-B**
- (e) No.

Annexure 'A'

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA
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Science Centres

Sl. no.	Names of the Science Centres	State-wise location
1.	Regional Science Centre, Tirupati	Andhra Pradesh
2.	Science Centre, Port Blair,	A & N Island
3.	Itanagar Science Centre, Itanagar	Arunachal Pradesh
4.	Regional Science Centre, Guwahati	Assam
5.	Jorhat Science Centre & Planetarium, Jorhat	Assam
6.	Shri Krishna Science Centre, Patna	Bihar
7.	Regional Science Centre, Raipur	Chattisgarh
8.	National Science Centre, Delhi	Delhi
9.	Goa Science Centre, Panaji	Goa
10.	District Science Centre, Dharampur	Gujarat
11.	Kurukshetra Panorama & Science Centre, Kurukshetra	Haryana
12.	Regional Science Centre, Ranchi	Jharkhand
13.	Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore	Karnataka
14.	District Science Centre, Gulbarga	Karnataka
15.	Regional Science Centre, Dharwad	Karnataka
16.	Regional Science Centre, Pilikula, Mangalore	Karnataka
17.	Regional Science Centre, Calicut	Kerala
18.	Regional Science Centre, Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
19.	Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai	Maharashtra

20.	Raman Science Centre, Nagpur	Maharashtra
21.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Solapur	Maharashtra
22.	Regional Science Centre, Pune	Maharashtra
23.	Manipur Science Centre, Manipur	Manipur
24.	Shillong Science Centre, Shillong,	Meghalaya
25.	Mizoram Science Centre, Aizwal	Mizoram
26.	Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur,	Nagaland
27.	Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar	Odisha
28.	Dhenkanal Science Centre, Dhenkanal & Kapilas Sc. Park	Odisha
29.	Sub-Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry	Puducherry
30.	Regional Science Centre, Jaipur	Rajasthan
31.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur	Rajasthan
32.	Sikkim Science Centre & Planetarium, Gangtok	Sikkim
33.	District Science Centre, Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu
34.	Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore	Tamil Nadu
35.	Regional Science Centre, Dehradun	Uttarakhand
36.	Bardhaman Science Centre, Bardhaman	West Bengal
37.	District Science Centre, Purulia	West Bengal
38.	District Science Centre, Digha	West Bengal
39.	North Bengal Science Centre, Siliguri	West Bengal
40.	Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Kolkata	West Bengal
41.	Sub-Regional Science Centres, Kalimpong	West Bengal

Annexure-B

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED
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**Statement showing details of funds released and expenditure incurred for ongoing projects of Science
Cities/Centres during 12th Plan period and beyond**

(Figures in lakh)

(i) Science Centres being set up with 100% funding from Ministry of Culture GOI

Sl. No.	Name of the Science Centre	unds sanctioned (project cost)	Ratio of sharing of fund between MOC & State Govt.	Fund released			Expenditure upto 30.06.2017
				MOC	State	Total	
1	SRSC, Palampur, HP	600.00	100:00	250.00	-	250.00	139.05
2	SRSC, Almora, Uttarakhand	600.00	100:00	100.00	-	100.00	26.30

(ii) Science Centres/ Science Cities projects being setup with fund sharing between GOI and State Govt. and to be handed over to State Govt. after inauguration

Sl. No.	Name of the Science Centre	Funds sanctioned (project cost)	Ratio of sharing of fund between MOC & State Govt.	Fund released so far			Expenditure upto 30.06.2017
				MOC	State	Total	
1	Science City, Guwahati, Assam	11000.00	90:10	3816.67	1100.00	4916.67	14.37
2	RSC, Kottayam, Kerala	1450.00	50:50	250.00	725.00	975.00	409.81
3	RSC, Mysore, Karnataka	1450.00	50:50	250.00	725.00	975.00	153.13
4	SRSC, Bargarh, Odisha	500.00	50:50	157.00	250.00	407.00	179.83
5	SRSC, Udaipur, Tripura	600.00	90:10	405.00	60.00	465.00	251.34
6	SRSC, Gaya, Bihar	500.00	50:50	50.00	250.00	300.00	0.50

7	SRSC, Udaipur, Rajasthan	500.00	50:50	100.00	250.00	350.00	0.27
8	SRSC, Jabalpur, M.P.	1520.00 (including corpus fund of Rs. 3.70 Crore)	50:50*	100.00	300.00	400.00	1.13
9	SRSC, Srinagar, J&K	600.00	90:10	-	60.00	60.00	0.37
10	SRSC, Rajahmundry, A. P.	500.00	50:50	100.00	-	100.00	0.77
11	SRSC, Kokrajhar, Assam	600.00	90:10	146.00	60.00	206.00	2.59
12	SRSC, Mayabundar, A&N Island	600.00	90:10	100.00	60.00	160.00	1.10

*50:50 (Capital Cost)

**20:80 (Corpus Fund)