

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2006**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022

**Development of 100 Experiential Museums**

†2006. SHRIMATI GOMATI SAI :

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to develop 100 experiential museums to promote tourism in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any such museum is situated in Chhattisgarh;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of such historical places as a part of five year plan which have been selected as "authentic reconstruction" places; and
- (f) the details of the proposed Indian Cultural Institute and Rashtriya Kala Pradarshan Kendra's composition and function?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM and  
DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a)&(b) In-principle approval was given for setting up of 15 Virtual Experiential Museums (VEMs) at different locations across the country. List of locations for these Virtual Experiential Museums may be seen at **Annexure – I**.
- (c)&(d) No, Sir.
- (e) Nil.
- (f) There are no such Institute namely Indian Cultural Institute and Rashtriya Kala Pradarshan Kendra are proposed by this Ministry.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A &B) OF LOKSABHA**  
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The following places/locations were identified for setting up 15 Virtual Experiential Museums (VEMs) depending upon the availability of site and other factors :

- i. Varanasi, UP
- ii. Hampi, Karnataka
- iii. Ajanta, Maharashtra
- iv. Red Fort, Delhi
- v. Humayun Tomb, Delhi
- vi. Agra, UP (Agra Fort or some other place)
- vii. Attari Border, Punjab
- viii. Ahmedabad, Gujarat (Heritage City)
- ix. Mumbai, Maharashtra (Elephanta Caves or some other place)
- x. Kolkata, West Bengal (Currency Building or some other place)
- xi. Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh
- xii. Sanchi, Madhya Pradesh
- xiii. Kumbhalgarh, Rajasthan
- xiv. VEM on Libraries in Belvedere House, Kolkata, West Bengal
- xv. VEM on Buddhism at Nalanda or some other place
- xvi. VEM on Tribes of North East (Shillong or Guwahati or any other place)
- xvii. VEM on Temples (Konark/Tirupati/Puri/any other place)