

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 46
ANSWERED ON 06.02.2023

DIGITALISATION OF ANCIENT MUSEUMS

†* 46. **SHRI SHANKAR LALWANI :**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any plan for digitalization of ancient museums and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the number of ancient museums in the State of Madhya Pradesh which have been digitalized during the last three years and the number of the said museums where digitalization is under progress?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN
REGION**
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (b): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (b) OF LOK SABHA
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(a) & (b): Yes Sir, Ministry of Culture operates Museum Grant Scheme (MGS), one of the components of which is digitization of museum collections. Under this component, financial assistance is provided to Central/State Governments, Societies, Autonomous bodies, local bodies, Public Sector Undertakings, Academic Institutions and Trusts registered under Societies Registration Act, 1860 for digitization of museum collections. During the last three years (2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22), no proposal has been received from the State of Madhya Pradesh for digitization of museum collections.

Digital documentation of antiquities in following 5 Site Museums of Archaeological Survey of India in Madhya Pradesh has been done through National Mission for Monuments and Antiquities format:-

1. Archaeological Site Museum at Sanchi, District-Raisen.
2. Archaeological Site Museum at Khajuraho, District-Chattarpur.
3. Archaeological Site Museum at Chanderi, District – Ashoknagar.
4. Archaeological Site Museum at Shivpuri, District – Shivpuri.
5. Archaeological Site Museum at Gwalior, District - Gwalior

Besides, Ministry of Culture has taken up the task of digitization of collection of ten (10) museums under its domain through Jatan programme since April, 2014. In total, 3,06,582 nos. of artefacts of these Government museums and galleries have been digitized till 31.01.2023 and also available for online access at the website <http://museumsofindia.gov.in>.