GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 573
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2023

"RE-IMAGINING OF MUSEUMS"

573. SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
     SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:
     SHRI SANJAY KAKA PATIL:

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

(a)   whether the Government has taken initiatives for re-imagining museums in India;

(b)   if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor;

(c)   the number of museums which have been re-imagined so far and the details of the same, State/UT-wise; and

(d)   the details of the proposed museums to be re-imagined?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM AND DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) & (b) : Yes Sir, Ministry of Culture operates two schemes namely Museum Grant Scheme (MGS) and Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS), one of the components of which is development/modification of existing museums and modernization/upgradation/setting of new museums of existing Science Cities/Science Centres/Innovation Hubs respectively.

These schemes aim to provide financial assistance to modernize/upgrade and create a congenial spatial setting for diverse exhibitions, galleries and visitors amenities in the existing Museums and Science Cities/Science Centres/Innovation Hubs.

Further, Archaeological Survey of India by and large also develops the archaeological site museums with the antiquities recovered from archaeological excavations nearby the sites or from the detached portions/fragments of any centrally Protected Monument. These museums are upgraded and maintained every year through Annual Work Programmes as per requirement

Ministry of Culture is also establishing Virtual Experiential Museums at different locations across the country.

A 3 day international Museum Expo was held from 18th-20th May, 2023 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. Its main objective was to bring together all the stakeholders involved in museum field. Another objective was to have discussions about museums in India & abroad to create an atmosphere in museum industry to make them ready for futuristic museums

(c) & (d): A list giving the number of museums in States/UT etc. in respect of Museums Grant Scheme, Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS), and Archaeological Survey of India are at **Annexure-I, Annexure-II** and **Annexure-III** respectively. In addition, at present, three virtual experiential museum have been set up in the country at Varansi, Ajanta caves and Vadnagar.

As and when the proposal for development/up gradation/setting of new museums etc. is received from State Govt./Autonomous Bodies/Public Sector Undertakings/Societies/Trusts/Academic Institutions. The proposal/DPR is examined as per guidelines of the MGS, and placed before the Expert Committee for its consideration/approval. Once the proposal is approved by the Committee, the financial assistance is sanctioned as per the guidelines.

Ministry of Culture is establishing Web based Virtual Experiential Museum on Liberation of Hyderabad Samsthan which will be posted on Salar Jung Museum's website and Central Universities in the State of Telangana.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED/STARRED QUESTION NO. 573 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 24.7.2023 REGARDING "RE-IMAGINING OF MUSEUMS".

The details of museum for Modernization/Development and Setting up of Museum under the Museum Grant Scheme during the last five and current year.

S. No.	State	Modernization/ Development of Museum	Setting up of Museum
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3	2
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	2
3.	Goa	1	0
4.	Gujarat	0	1
5.	Himachal Pradesh	1	0
6.	Haryana	1	0
7.	Karnataka	0	2
8.	Kerala	4	1
9.	Ladhak	0	1
10.	Madhya Pradesh	2	1
11.	Maharashtra	3	0
12.	Manipur	2	2
13.	Mizoram	0	1
14.	Nagaland	1	10
15.	Punjab	0	1
16.	Rajasthan	1	4
17.	Tamil -Nadu	3	0
18.	Tripura	0	0
19.	Uttar Pradesh	1	4
20.	Uttarakhand	1	1
21.	West Bengal	3	5
22.	Delhi	2	0
	Total	**29**	**38**

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National Council of Science Museums (NCSM)

The details of museum for Modernization/Development and Setting up of Museum under the Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS) during the last five and current year.

S. No.	State	Modernization of Museum/ Science Centre / City	Setting up of Museum/ Science Centre / City
1	Andhra Pradesh	0	1
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0
3	Assam	0	2
4	Bihar	0	1
5	Goa	0	0
6	Gujarat	0	0
7	Himachal Pradesh	0	1
8	Jammu & Kashmir	0	1
9	Jharkhand	1	0
10	Haryana	0	1
11	Karnataka	0	1
12	Kerala	0	1
13	Ladhak	0	0
14	Madhya Pradesh	0	2
15	Maharashtra	0	0
16	Manipur	0	0
17	Meghalaya	1	0
18	Mizoram	1	0
19	Nagaland	1	0
20	Odisha	0	1
21	Punjab	1*	0
22	Rajasthan	0	4
23	Tamil -Nadu	0	0
24	Tripura	1	1
25	Uttar Pradesh	0	0
26	Uttarakhand	0	2
27	West Bengal	1	0
	Total	**07**	**19**

*Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India directly funded for modernization of Pushpa Gujral Science City, Kapurthala, Punjab

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LIST OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE MUSEUMS

State	Name of the Circle	Sl. No.	Name of the Museums
Andhra Pradesh	Amaravati	1.	Amravati
		2.	Chandragiri
		3.	Nagarjunakonda
Assam	Guwahati	4.	Sri Surya Pahar
Bihar	Patna	5.	Bodhgaya
		6.	Nalanda
		7.	Vaishali
		8.	Vikramshila
Delhi	Delhi	9.	Purana Qila
		10.	Gallery of Confiscated and Retrieved Antiquities, Purana Qila
		11.	1857 - India's First War of Independence
		12.	Yaad-e-Jallian
		13.	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and Indian National Army
		14.	Azaadi-ke-Diwane
		15.	*Archaeological Site Museum, Red Fort**
		16.	*Indian War Memorial Museum, Red Fort**
Goa	Goa	17.	Velha Goa
Gujarat	Vadodara	18.	*Lothal**
	Rajkot	19.	Dholavira
Haryana	Chandigarh	20.	Sheikh Chilli's Tomb, Thaneswar
Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	21.	Kangra Fort, Kangra
Karnataka	Bangalore	22.	Halebidu
		23.	Tipu Sultan Museum, Srirangapattanam
	Hampi Mini	24.	Hampi, Kamlapur
	Dharwad	25.	Aihole
		26.	Badami
		27.	Bijapur
Kerala	Thrissur	28.	Mattancherry Palace
Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	29.	Chanderi
		30.	Gwalior
		31.	Sanchi
		32.	Shivpuri
	Jabalpur	33.	Khajuraho
Maharashtra	Mumbai	34.	Museum on Mahatma Gandhi at Aga Khan Palace, Pune
Odisha	Bhubaneshwar	35.	Konarak
		36.	Ratnagiri
		37.	Lalitagiri

Punjab	Chandigarh	38.	Ropar
Rajasthan	Jodhpur	39.	Kalibangan
	Jaipur	40.	Deeg Palace Museum
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	41.	Fort St. George Museum
Telangana	Hyderabad	42.	Kondapur
Uttar Pradesh	Agra	43.	Taj
		44.	Fatehpur Sikri
	Sarnath	45.	Sarnath
		46.	Virtual Experiential Museum, Man Mahal
	Lucknow	47.	1857 Residency Museum
		48.	Piprahwa
Uttrakhand	Dehradun	49.	Jageshwar
West Bengal	Raiganj	50.	Koch Bihar Palace
		51.	Murshidabad
	Kolkata	52.	Tamluk

*Archaeological Site Museum (Red Fort); and Indian War Memorial (IWM) Museum, Red Fort are temporarily closed for relocation and refurbishment within the Red Fort, Delhi.

*Archaeological Site Museum, Lothal is temporarily closed.

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