

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

LOK SABHA

**STARRED QUESTION NO. 299
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2021**

SCIENCE MUSEUMS

***299. SHRI VINAYAK RAUT:
MS. LOCKET CHATTERJEE:**

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to open some new science/ cultural museums in the country and if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra and West Bengal;
- (b) the amount of funds estimated to be spent thereon; and
- (c) the time by which these museums are likely to be opened and the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a)to(c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA
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(a)to(c) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Culture is developing new science/ cultural museums in the country.

National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India, has developed a chain of Science Cities/ Science Centres/ Innovation Hubs throughout the Country through Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS). Details of setting up of new Science Cities/Science Centres under SPoCS Scheme alongwith estimated amount of funds to be spent and the time by which these Science Cities/Science Centres are likely to be opened, is annexed at **Annexure- 'I'**.

Cultural Museums are developed through various organizations under administrative control of Ministry of Culture. List of new cultural museums being set up in the country alongwith estimated amount of funds to be spent and the time by which these Cultural Museums are likely to be opened is annexed at **Annexure-'II'**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *299 FOR 09.08.2021**New Science Centre projects taken up by NCSM under SPoCS Scheme of Govt. of India**

Sl. No.	Names of the new science centre projects taken up by NCSM under SPOCS Scheme of Govt. of India	Located in State/ UT	Project Cost (Figures in Crore)	Tentative date of completion of the project
01	Science City, Guwahati	Assam	110.00	31.03.2024
02	Regional Science Centre, Kottayam	Kerala	14.50	31.12.2021
03	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Palampur	Himachal Pradesh	6.98	31.12.2021
04	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Gaya	Bihar	5.00	31.12.2021
05	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Kokrajhar	Assam	6.00	31.12.2021
06	Sub- Regional Science Centre, Almora	Uttarakhand	6.00	31.03.2022
07	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur	Rajasthan	5.00	31.03.2022
08	Science Centre, (Category-II) Rajahmundry	Andhra Pradesh	15.20	31.03.2022
09	Science Centre (Cat-II), Ambala	Haryana	15.20	31.8.2022
10	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Mayabundar	A&N Islands	6.00	27 months from the date of issue of LoI.
11	Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam Science City, Patna	Bihar	191.00	Project being implemented by Govt. of Bihar
12	Science Centre (Cat-II), Srinagar *	Jammu & Kashmir	18.20	27 months from the date of issue of LoI for construction work
13	Science Centre (Cat-II), Ujjain	Madhya Pradesh	15.20	DO
14	Science City, Dehradun	Uttarakhand	173.00	54 months from the date of issue of LoI

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<u>New Projects Approved by MoC</u>				
01	Science Centre, (Cat-II) Jabalpur [#]	Madhya Pradesh	15.20	27 months from the date of issue of LoI
02	Science Centre, (Cat-II) Ajmer ^{##}	Rajasthan	15.20	DO
03	Science Centre, (Cat-II) Kanyakumari ^{\$}	Tamil Nadu	15.20	DO
04	Science Centre, (Cat-II) Bikaner ^{**}	Rajasthan	15.20	DO
Grand Total			648.08	

* Project approved by MoC. MoU signed. Work yet to start, as the State Government is to release share of Corpus fund and inform regarding site development as per site requirement.

Clearance of land is awaited from Govt. of Madhya Pradesh

MoU yet to be signed. Funds released by State Govt.

\$ MoU signed but funds yet to be released by State Govt.

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Annexure-'II'**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED
QUESTION NO. *299 FOR 09.08.2021****DEVELOPMENT OF NEW CULTURAL MUSEUMS IN THE COUNTRY**

S. NO.	MUSEUM NAME	STATE	ESTIMATED COST OF PROJECT (in Crore)	TENTATIVE DATE OF COMPLETION OF PROJECT	REMARKS
1.	PRADHAN MANTRI SANGRAHA LAYA	New Delhi	271.07	October, 2021	The Government is setting a Pradhan Mantri Sangrahalaya in Teen Murti House, New Delhi. The project was approved in March, 2018 and is being executed by Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi to showcase the life and contribution made by all Prime Ministers of India.
2.	BIPLOBI BHARAT	West Bengal	3.50	August, 2021	Hon'ble Prime Minister on 11.01.2020 announced that 'A museum called Biplobi Bharat should be established in Victoria Memorial Hall, Kolkata in which Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, Aurobindo Ghosh, Rash Bihari Bose, Khudiram Bose, Deshbandhu, Bagha Jatin, Binoy, Badal, Dinesh, and every such great freedom fighter should be given a place.'. The proposed "Biplobi Bharat" Museum will focus on the contribution of the Revolutionaries to India's Independence Movement.

3.	MUSEUM ON ARMS & ARMOUR	New Delhi	15.00	31.10.2021	The Museum is being developed at Red Fort, Delhi by National Museum, Delhi. Developed inside the largest century old colonial Company barrack, the two storied Arms & Armour museum has a display area of more than 25,000 square feet. The museum will trace the evolution of Indian weaponry and arms, starting from prehistoric stone weapons & proto-historic implements, through medieval age armoury like swords & guns, shields, human & animal armours and finally to traditional or indigenous armoury. Museum will display more than 600 rare and unique objects from the late medieval period in India.
4.	INDIA'S FREEDOM STRUGGLE MUSEUM	New Delhi	13.00	31.12.2021	A dedicated museum on India's Freedom Struggle is being developed in a renovated A1 barrack of Red Fort, Delhi by National Museum, Delhi. The museum, first of its kind, will narrate the story of country's freedom struggle in an interactive manner with more emphasis on the unheard stories of people's participation in India's freedom movement representing contribution of all regions
5.	GAUTAM BUDDHA MUSEUM	New Delhi	7.50	30.09.2021	National Museum presents the first-ever museum in India dedicated to the glory of Gautama Buddha. The

					<p>museum is being developed in a renovated century old majestic building and spread over an area of about 15,000 square feet, surrounded by a lush green landscape. Seen through the masterpieces in the National Museum collection, the museum on Gautama Buddha focuses on the religious and traditional aspects of Buddhist heritage in India, forging a new outlook on its spread, development, and cultural synthesis over centuries. The museum displays more than two hundred objects of Buddhist art and living traditions dating from 1st Century CE to 19th Century CE, ranging from stone and bronze sculptures, terracotta heads, votive objects, manuscript paintings, ritual objects & costumes etc.</p>
6.	MUSEUM ON JAMMU AND KASHMIR	New Delhi	13.00	31.12.2021	<p>The museum on Jammu & Kashmir, first of its kind in India, captures the essence and spirit of Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh as an integral part of the nation since ages as Bharat, Hindustan, India. The museum elaborates this by tracing the roots of Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh since prehistoric times to the present day and telling unheard stories of the region and people which have been lost in the centuries of time.</p>
