

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 69  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2025**

**PROJECTS UNDER THE SCHEME FOR PROMOTION OF CULTURE OF SCIENCE**

**69. DR. BACHHAV SHOBHA DINESH:**

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

- (a) the details of the total number of projects sanctioned/proposed by the Government under the scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science across the country, project and State-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (b) the details of the total number of projects sanctioned/proposed by the Government under the scheme for Support to Tribal Research Institutes across the country, project and State-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (c) the details of the total number of projects sanctioned/proposed under the Museum Grant Scheme under the Umbrella Schemes/ component of Development of Museums across the country, project and State-wise, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (d) the progress of completion of these projects along with the total funds sanctioned, disbursed and utilized, project and scheme-wise, for Maharashtra;
- (e) whether the Government has received any proposals from State Government of Maharashtra or any Member of Parliament for same, particularly Nashik, Dhule or Malegaon during the last five years; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with action taken by the Government thereon?

## ANSWER

### MINISTER OF CULTURE & TOURISM (SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

- (a): The total number of approved projects state-wise for setting up of Science Centre/City/Innovation Hub/Digital Planetarium taken up by the National Council of Science Museums (NCSM) under the Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS) of the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India is listed at **Annexure-‘A’**.
- (b): Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Support to Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs)' extends financial support to 29 Tribal Research Institutes (TRIs) in States/Union Territories (UTs) including Tribal Research Institute Maharashtra on the basis of the Annual Action Plan submitted by the States/UTs subject to the approval of the Apex Committee chaired by the Secretary, Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The details of the projects sanctioned under the scheme may be seen at the official website of the Ministry of Tribal Affairs. The link to access the same is [https://tribal.nic.in/Display\\_Apex\\_Minutes.aspx](https://tribal.nic.in/Display_Apex_Minutes.aspx).
- (c): The details of total number of approved projects state-wise under the Museum Grant Scheme (MGS) are at **Annexure ‘B’**.
- (d): The progress of completion of projects along with the total funds sanctioned, disbursed and utilized, project and scheme-wise, for Maharashtra, is at **Annexure-C**.
- (e) to (f): Yes. A letter dated 02<sup>nd</sup> December, 2024 from the Hon’ble Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha), Nashik, Shri Rajabhau Parag Prakash Waje was received regarding the establishment of a World Class Science Centre in Nashik.

In its response, Hon’ble M.P. has been requested to arrange for the submission a Detailed Project Report of the proposed Science Centre, either through the Department of Science and Technology, Government of Maharashtra or any other Department capable of operating this centre, in the prescribed format as stipulated in the SPoCS guidelines, to the Ministry of Culture for further consideration.

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**Annexure-A****ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED  
QUESTION NO. 69 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 21.07.2025****State-wise projects under the SPoCS Scheme of Govt. of India**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Name of the Project</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>1.</b>	A & N island	1. Science Centre, Port Blair	Complete
<b>2.</b>	Andhra Pradesh	1. Rajamahendravaram Science Centre, Rajamahendravaram	Complete
<b>3.</b>	Arunachal Pradesh	1. Science Centre (Category-II), Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh	Ongoing
<b>4.</b>		2. Digital Planetarium (Category-II), Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh	Ongoing
<b>5.</b>		3. Science Centre (Category-II), Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh	Ongoing
<b>6.</b>		4. Digital Planetarium (Category-II), Dirang, Arunachal Pradesh	Ongoing
<b>7.</b>		5. Arunachal Pradesh Science Centre, Itanagar	Complete
<b>8.</b>	Assam	1. Guwahati Science City, Assam	Ongoing
<b>9.</b>		2. Kokrajhar Science Centre (Sub-Regional), Assam	Ongoing
<b>10.</b>		3. Jorhat Science Centre & Planetarium	Complete
<b>11.</b>	Bihar	1. Bodhgaya Science Centre, Bodhgaya	Complete
<b>12.</b>	Chandigarh	1. Science Centre (Category-II), Chandigarh	Ongoing
<b>13.</b>		2. Digital Planetarium (Category-II), Chandigarh	Ongoing
<b>14.</b>	Chhattisgarh	1. Digital Planetarium (Category-III), Karli, Geedam, Dantewada	Ongoing
<b>15.</b>		2. Chhattisgarh Science Centre, Raipur	Complete
<b>16.</b>	Haryana	1. Ambala Science Centre (Category-II), Haryana	Ongoing
<b>17.</b>	Himachal Pradesh	1. Palampur Science Centre, Palampur	Complete
<b>18.</b>	Jammu & Kashmir	1. Srinagar Science Centre (Category-II), Jammu & Kashmir	Ongoing
<b>19.</b>	Jharkhand	1. Regional Science Centre, Ranchi	Complete
<b>20.</b>		2. Upgradation/ Modernization of Regional Science Centre, Ranchi, Jharkhand	Ongoing
<b>21.</b>	Karnataka	1. Shivamogga Science Centre (Category-II), Karnataka	Ongoing
<b>22.</b>		2. Science Centre (Category-III), Yadgiri, Karnataka	Ongoing

23.		3. Science Centre (Category-II), Raichur, Karnataka	Ongoing
24.		4. Science Centre (Category-III), Chikkamagaluru, Karnataka	Ongoing
25.		5. Digital Planetarium (Category-III), Chikkamagaluru, Karnataka	Ongoing
26.		6. Dharwad Regional Science Centre	Complete
27.		7. Regional Science Centre, Pilikula, Mangalore	Complete
28.	Kerala	1. Kottayam Science Centre, Kerala	Complete
29.	Madhya Pradesh	1. Ujjain Science Centre (Category-II), Madhya Pradesh	Ongoing
30.		2. Jabalpur Science Centre (Category-II), Madhya Pradesh	Ongoing
31.	Maharashtra	1. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Solapur	Complete
32.		2. Pimpri Chinchwad Science Centre, Pune	Complete
33.	Manipur	1. Modernization of Manipur Science Centre, Manipur	Ongoing
34.		2. Manipur Science Centre, Manipur	Complete
35.	Meghalaya	1. Upgradation/ Modernization of Shillong Science Centre, Meghalaya	Ongoing
36.		2. Shillong Science Centre, Shillong, Meghalaya	Complete
37.	Mizoram	1. Upgradation/ Modernization of Mizoram Science Centre, Aizwal, Mizoram	Ongoing
38.		2. Mizoram Science Centre, Aizwal	Complete
39.	Nagaland	1. Modernization of Dimapur Science Centre, Nagaland	Ongoing
40.		2. Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur	Complete
41.	Odisha	1. Bargarh Science Centre, Bargarh	Complete
42.	Puducherry	1. Science Centre (Category-III), Thirunallar, Puducherry	Ongoing
43.		2. Digital Planetarium (Category-III), Thirunallar, Puducherry	Ongoing
44.		3. Dr. Abdul Kalam Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry	Complete
45.	Rajasthan	1. Ajmer Science Centre (Category-II), Rajasthan	Ongoing
46.		2. Kota Science Centre (Category-II), Rajasthan	Ongoing
47.		3. Digital Planetarium (Category-II), Kota, Rajasthan	Ongoing
48.		4. Udaipur Science Centre (Sub-Regional), Rajasthan	Ongoing

49.		5. Bikaner Science Centre (Category-II), Rajasthan	Ongoing
50.		6. Digital Planetarium (Category-II), Jodhpur, Rajasthan	Ongoing
51.		7. Digital Planetarium (Category-II), Udaipur, Rajasthan	Ongoing
52.		8. Regional Science Centre, Jaipur	Complete
53.		9. Sub Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur	Complete
54.	Sikkim	1. Sikkim Science Centre, Gangtok	Complete
55.	Tamilnadu	1. Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore	Complete
56.	Telangana	1. Science Experience Centre (Category-I), Hyderabad, Telangana	Ongoing
57.	Tripura	1. Up-gradation of Sukanta Academy, Agartala, Tripura	Ongoing
58.		2. Science City, Agartala, Tripura	Ongoing
59.		3. Udaipur Science Centre, Tripura	Complete
60.	Uttarakhand	1. Dehradun Science City, Uttarakhand	Ongoing
61.		2. Regional Science Centre, Dehradun	Complete
62.		3. Manaskhand Science Centre, Almora	Complete
63.	West Bengal	1. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Kalimpong	Complete

**State-wise list of Innovation Hubs that have been established under Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS)**

S. No.	State/UT	Innovation Hub (Location/Name of the Centre)	Status
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Agastya International Foundation, Kuppam	Complete
2.		Regional Science Centre, Tirupati	Complete
3.		Science Centre at Rajahmundry	Complete
4.	Arunachal Pradesh	Arunachal Pradesh Science Centre, Itanagar	Complete
5.	A & N Islands	Science Centre, Sri Vijaya Puram (Port Blair)	Complete
6.	Assam	Regional Science Centre, Guwahati	Complete
7.		Jorhat Science Centre & Planetarium, Jorhat	Complete
8.	Bihar	Shrikrishna Science Centre, Patna	Complete
9.		Sub-Regional Science Centre, Bodhgaya	Complete
10.	Delhi	National Science Centre, Delhi	Complete
11.	Goa	Goa Science Centre, Panaji	Complete
12.	Himachal Pradesh	Palampur Science Centre, Palampur	Complete

13.	Gujarat	Vikram A Sarabhai Community Science Centre, Ahmedabad	Complete
14.		District Science Centre, Dharampur	Complete
15.	Jharkhand	Regional Science Centre, Ranchi	Complete
16.	Karnataka	Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore	Complete
17.		District Science Centre, Gulbarga	Complete
18.		Pilikula Regional Science Centre, Mangaluru	Complete
19.	Kerala	Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Calicut	Complete
20.		Kerala State Science & Technology Museum, Trivandrum	Complete
21.	Madhya Pradesh	Regional Science Centre, Bhopal	Complete
22.	Maharashtra	Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai	Complete
23.		Raman Science Centre & Planetarium, Nagpur	Complete
24.		BVB's Mukhtangan Exploratory Science Centre, Pune	Complete
25.		Solapur Science Centre, Solapur	Complete
26.	Manipur	Manipur Science Centre, Imphal	Complete
27.	Meghalaya	Shillong Science Centre, Shillong	Complete
28.	Mizoram	Mizoram Science Centre, Aizawl	Complete
29.	Nagaland	Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur	Complete
30.	Odisha	Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar	Complete
31.	Punjab	Pushpa Gujral Science City, Kapurthala	Complete
32.	Puducherry	Dr. Abdul Kalam Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry	Complete
33.	Rajasthan	Birla Science Centre, Pilani	Complete
34.		Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur, Rajasthan	Complete
35.		Regional Science Centre, Jaipur	Complete
36.		Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur	Complete
37.	Sikkim	Sikkim Science Centre, Gangtok	Complete
38.	Tamilnadu	Tamilnadu Science & Technology Centre, Chennai	Complete
39.		District Science Centre, Tirunelveli	Complete
40.		Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore	Complete
41.		Anna Science Centre, Trichi	Complete
42.	Telangana	Regional Science Centre, Warangal	Complete
43.	Tripura	Sukanta Academy, Agartala	Complete
44.	Uttar Pradesh	Regional Science City, Lucknow	Complete
45.	Uttarakhand	Regional Science Centre, Dehradun	Complete
46.		Manaskhand Science Centre at Almora	Complete
47.	West Bengal	Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Kolkata	Complete
48.		Bardhaman Science Centre, Bardhaman	Complete
49.		Kalimpong Science Centre, Kalimpong	Complete
50.		North Bengal Science Centre, Siliguri	Complete
51.		Digha Science Centre & National Science Camp, Digha	Complete
52.		District Science Centre, Purulia	Complete

In addition to above, following 04 (Four) Innovation Hub projects are coming up at the following centres: -

- 01) Regional Science Centre, Chalakkudy, Kerala
- 02) Regional Science Centre, Dharwad, Karnataka
- 03) Srinagar Science Centre, Jammu & Kashmir
- 04) Jabalpur Science Centre, Madhya Pradesh

**Annexure-B**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED  
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**Total sanctioned/approved projects under the Museum Grant Scheme (MGS) across the  
country, project and State-wise**

S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of museum	Status/ Progress
1.	Andhra Pradesh	Archaeological Museum, Eluru, West Godavari Dist. Department of Archaeology & Museums, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh	Existing museum	Completed
2.		Bapu Museum, M G Road, Vijayawada, Krishna Distt. Department of Archaeology & Museums, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh	Existing museum	Completed
3.		Government of Andhra Pradesh for setting up of Padamshree Kalluri Subbarao Memorial District Archaeological Museum Anantpur	New Museum	Completed
4.		Science City of Andhra Pradesh, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh for Establishment of New Museum at Kailasgiri (Dovari Konda), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	New Museum	Ongoing
5.		Archaeology and Museum, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh for Development of Rallabandi Subba Rao Archaeology East Godavari District, Andhra Pradesh	Exiting Museum	Ongoing
6.		Dept. Of Archaeology and Museum for Development of Andhra Sahitya Parishath Got. Museum, Kakinada Town, Andhra Pradesh	Exiting Museum	Ongoing
7.	Arunachal Pradesh	Dept. of Cultural Affairs, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, for Development of District Museum, Ziro, Arunachal Pradesh	New Museum	Ongoing



S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of museum	Status/ Progress
8.	Goa	Museum of Christian Art, Goa, Annex Convent of Santa Monica, Old Goa	Existing museum	completed
9.	Gujarat	Rajkot Rajya Foundation, Rajit Villas Palace, Palace Road, Rajkot, Gujarat	New Museum	Complete
10.	Himachal Pradesh	Dept. of Language and Culture Govt. of Himachal Pradesh part of 1 <sup>st</sup> installment for Digitization, Design, Modification, Development of Bantony Castle Shimla HP	Existing Museum	Ongoing
11.	Haryana	NSG Wives Welfare Association (NWYA), Manesar, Gurgaon	Existing museum	Completed
12.	Karnataka	Shivappa Nayaka Museum & Research Bureau, Sri Bekkiinakalmatha, Karnataka	New Museum	Ongoing
13.	Kerala	GALAXY, Karaunasai Road, Velland , P.O Trivandrum	New Museum	Completed
14.	Ladakh	Deskid Cultural and Welfare Society, Deskid, Gonpa, Ladhak	New Museum	Ongoing
15.	Madhya Pradesh	Gujari Mahal Museum, Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh (Govt. of MP)	Existing museum	Compete
16.		Madhya Pradesh heritage Development Trust, Archaeology, Archives and Museum, MP, Banganga Road Bhopal For setting up of Local Archaeological Museum, Sironj, Vidisha	New Museum	Ongoing
17.		Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board, Madhya Pradesh for Modernization/ Development of Moti Mahal City Palace,	Existing Museum	Ongoing
18.		Directorate of Archaeology Archives and Museum, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh for Renovation of Up gradation of Central Museum, Near GPO, Indore, Madhya Pradesh	New Museum	Ongoing
19.		Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board, Madhya Pradesh for Setting up of a Museum of Music in the South With for the Moti Mahal Complex,	New Museum	Ongoing

S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of museum	Status/ Progress
		Gwalior		
20.		Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, Madhya Pradesh	Existing Museum	Ongoing
21.	Maharashtra	Funds & Properties of the Parsi Punchayet Bombay, of Framji Dadabhoy Alpiwalla Museum, Dr. Dadabhai Naoroji Road, Fort, Mumbai	Existing museum	Completed
22.		Symbiosis Society's for Development of Asian Cultural Museum, Pune	Existing Museum	Completed
23.	Manipur	State Archaeology, Govt. Of Manipur for setting up of three galleries in Kangla Fort.	New Museum	Ongoing
24.		Khongjom War Memorial Trust Khongjom Bazar, Opposite Khongjom Police Station, Thoubal District, Manipur	New Museum	Ongoing
25.		Anallon Christian Development Committee (ACDC), Chandel, Manipur for Setting up of a New Museum	New Museum	Ongoing
26.	Mizoram	Director Art & Culture Department, Chanmari, Aizwal for Setting up of District Museum at Lunglei, Mizoram	New Museum	Completed
27.		Chakma Autonomous District Council, Kamalnagar, Mizoram for setting up of Tribal Museum at Kamalnagar, Lawngtlai Distt. Mizoram	New Museum	Ongoing
28.		Dept. of Art and Culture, Govt. of Mizoram, for setting up regional museum at Siaha	New Museum	Ongoing
29.	Nagaland	Naga Traditional Museum, Khel, Kohima Village, Kohima,	New Museum	Completed
30.		Directorate of Art and Culture, Kohima, Nagaland for setting up of museum in Tsaru, Tuesang	New Museum	Ongoing

S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of museum	Status/ Progress
31.	Odisha	J. D. Centre Of Art, VIP Colony, Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar	New Museum	Ongoing
32.	Punjab	Punjab State Civil Aviation Council, Patiala Civil Aerodrome, Sangrur Road, Patiala, Punjab	New Museum	Ongoing
33.	Rajasthan	City Palace, Maharana Mewar Charitable Foundation, Udaipur, Rajasthan	Existing museum	Completed
34.		Veer Shiromani Maharana Pratap Samiti, Udaipur	New Museum	Ongoing
35.		Shri Girdhar Smarak Dharmarth Nyas Trust, (Shri Girdhar Smarak Trust) Kings Palace Jaisalmer Fort Palace Museum, Jaisalmer Rajasthan	New Museum	Ongoing
36.		Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum, City Palace, Jaipur Rajasthan	Existing Museum	Ongoing
37.	Tamil Nadu	High Court of Madras, George Town, Chennai	Existing museum	Completed
38.		Govt. Museum, Thirugokarnam, Pudukottai, Tamil Nadu	Existing museum	Ongoing
39.		Government Museum St. Mark Road, Samathanapuram Palayamkottai, Tirunelveli Distt.	Existing museum	Ongoing
40.		Government Museum Trichy, Rani Managammal Palace, Dist. Tiruchirapalli	Existing museum	ongoing
41.		Government Museum Ooty, Stone House, Dist. Udhamandalam	Existing museum	Ongoing
42.		Department of Museum, Govt. Of Tamilnadu for Development of Egmore Museum, Egmore (iconic State Museum), Tamilnadu	Existing museum	Ongoing
43.	Telangana	Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad, Telangana for 1 <sup>st</sup> and final installment for setting up of VEM	Virtual Experiential	Completed

S. No.	State	Name of Organization	Type of museum	Status/ Progress
		on Hyderabad	Museum	
44.	Tripura	Tripura Tourism Development corporation for setting up of MaharajaB rendraK ishare M& anikya museum Kunjabanpalace complex	Existing museum	Ongoing
45.	Uttar Pradesh	Office of Cantonment Board, Carriappa, Shahjahanpur	New Museum	Completed
46.		Allahabad High Court, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh	Existing museum	Ongoing
47.		India Literacy board, Literacy House, Kanpur Road, Lucknow	New Museum	Ongoing
48.		Directorate of Museum, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh Establishment of Sant Ravidas Museum at Seer Govardhanpur, Varanasi UP	New Museum	Ongoing
49.		Vrindavan Research Institute, Raman Reti Marg, Vrindavan, Mathura. U.P. for Construction of New 6 Number of Galleries at VRI Braj Culture Museum	Existing Museum	Ongoing
50.	Uttarakhand	Forest Research Institute, Dehradun, Uttrakhand	Existing museum	Completed
51.	West Bengal	Directorate General Border Security Force (BSF) (Eastern Command), Kolkata	New Museum	Ongoing
52.	Delhi	International Society for Krishna Consciousness, East of Kailash (ISKCON), New Delhi	Exiting Museum	Ongoing

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**Progress of completion of projects along with the total funds sanctioned, disbursed and utilized, project and scheme-wise, for Maharashtra**

- 1. Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS):** The details of projects sanctioned/approved under SPoCS are as follows:

(Rs. In lakh)

S. No.	Name of the Project	Total project Cost	GoI Share	Disbursed/ Utilized	Progress
1.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Solapur	319.53	163.37	163.37	Completed
2.	Pimpri Chinchwad Science Centre, Pune	891.60	425.00	425.00	Completed

**Details of Innovation Hubs set up by NCSM, under Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS), in the State of Maharashtra**

(Rs. In Lakh)

Sl. No.	Innovation Hub (Location/Name of the Centre)	Capital Expenditure	Recurring Expenditure	Total Expenditure upto 30.06.2025	Progress
1.	Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai	-	89.69	89.69	Completed
2.	Raman Science Centre & Planetarium, Nagpur	173.84	59.05	232.89	Completed
3.	BVB's Muktangan Exploratory Science Centre, Pune	50.00	26.21	76.21	Completed
4.	Solapur Science Centre, Solapur	63.37	-	63.37	Completed

**2. Museum Grant Scheme (MGS):** The details are as follows:

(Rs. In lakh)

S. No.	Name of Organization	Type of museum	Total Amount Sanctioned	Disbursed/Utilized	Progress
1.	Funds & Properties of the Parsi Punchayet Bombay, of Framji Dadabhoy Alpiwalla Museum, Dr. Dadabhai Naoroji Road, Fort, Mumbai	Existing museum	400.00	400.00	Completed
2.	Symbiosis Society's for Development of Asian Cultural Museum, Pune	Existing Museum	35.615	35.615	Completed

**3. Support to Tribal Research Institutes:** The details of the funds released to Tribal Research Institute, Maharashtra are as follows:

(Rs. In lakh)

S. No.	Financial Year	Amount Sanctioned	Amount Released
1.	2024-25	190.00	250.00
2.	2023-24*	130.00	0.00
3.	2022-23*	50.00	0.00
4.	2021-22*	100.00	0.00
5.	2020.21*	464.12	0.00

\*Funds could not be released during FY 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24 due to pending Utilization Certificate and non-eligibility of SNA account for receiving of funds.

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