

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF CULTURE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 71
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30th November, 2015.

SCIENCE CITIES

71. SMT. POONAM MAHAJAN

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- a) the number of science museums set up by the National Council of Science Museums in the country, State/UT wise;
- b) whether his Ministry is coordinating with the Ministry of Science and Technology to establish science museums in the country and bolster scientific temper amongst the citizens; and if so details thereof;
- c) whether the Government recognises the need for setting up science museums in all the states of the country; and
- d) If so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) CULTURE & TOURISM
AND
MINISTER OF STATE FOR CIVIL AVIATION
(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

- a) The list of Science Museums and Centres including Regional & Sub-Regional Science centres, developed by NCSM with the help of the Union Govt., and functioning under the administrative control of the Council is annexed at **Annexure I**. In addition, a list of Regional/Sub-Regional Science Centres set up jointly with State Governments/UTs and handed over for operation and maintenance to them is annexed at **Annexure-II**.
- b) The science museums/centres are set up by NCSM for promoting scientific temper amongst the citizens of the country. Ministry of Science & Technology (DST) is not directly involved in establishing the science museums/centres. However, Secretary and other officers of DST are involved in NCSM activities as members of the NCSM Society and Governing Body, which frame guidelines and oversee the work of NCSM.
- c) Yes Madam
- d) There is a big demand in the country to set up science museums/centres, considering their growing popularity and impact. Presently 21 science museum/centre projects have been/shall be taken up during 12th & 13th Plan period in a phased manner. A list of these 21 Science Museums/Centres is at **Annexure III**. NCSM has also received 40 new proposals from State Governments which shall also be taken up by NCSM in a phased manner depending upon the availability of resources, project handling capacity of NCSM and the existing science centre activities in that particular State as also commitment, support and initiative of the concerned State/UT Govt.. A list of such proposals is enclosed as **Annexure-IV**.

**Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question
No.71 for 30.11.2015 regarding setting up of Science Museums**

**Science Museums and Centres including Regional Science Centres developed by
NCSM and functioning under the administrative control of the Council**

Sl. no.	Names of the Science Museums/Science Centres under NCSM	State-wise location
01	Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Kolkata	West Bengal
02	Science City, Kolkata	West Bengal
03	Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai	Maharashtra
04	National Science Centre, Delhi	New Delhi
05	Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore	Karnataka
06	Shri Krishna Science Centre, Patna	Bihar
07	Regional Science City, Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
08	Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar	Odisha
09	Raman Science Centre and Planetarium, Nagpur	Maharashtra
10	Regional Science Centre, Tirupati	Andhra Pradesh
11	Regional Science Centre, Guwahati	Assam
12	Regional Science Centre, Bhopal	Madhya Pradesh
13	Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Calicut	Kerala
14	Kurukshetra Panorama & Science Centre, Kurukshetra	Haryana
15	Bardhaman Science Centre, Bardhaman	West Bengal
16	District Science Centre, Purulia	West Bengal
17	District Science Centre, Digha	West Bengal
18	North Bengal Science Centre & Planetarium, Siliguri	West Bengal
19	Dhenkanal Science Centre, Dhenkanal & Kapilas Sc. Park	Odisha
20	District Science Centre & Planetarium, Dharampur	Gujarat
21	Goa Science Centre & Planetarium, Panaji	Goa
22	District Science Centre & Planetarium, Gulbarga	Karnataka
23	District Science Centre & Planetarium, Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question

Regional/Sub-Regional Science Centres consisting of Science Parks jointly with the respective State Governments/UTs & handed over for operation and maintenance to them

Sl. No.	Science Centers/Planetarium	Name of State/Union Territory
1.	Science Centre, Port Blair,	A & N Island
2.	Mizoram Science Centre, Aizwal	Mizoram
3.	Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur,	Nagaland
4.	Manipur Science Centre, Manipur	Manipur
5.	Itanagar Science Centre, Itanagar	Arunachal Pradesh
6.	Shillong Science Centre, Shillong,	Meghalaya
7.	Sikkim Science Centre & Planetarium, Gangtok	Sikkim
8.	Sub-Regional Science Centres, Kalimpong	West Bengal
9.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Solapur	Maharastra
10.	Regional Science Centre, Ranchi	Jharkhand
11.	Regional Science Centre, Dharwad	Karnataka
12.	Regional Science Centre, Raipur	Chattisgarh
13.	Maharaja Ranjit Singh Panorama, Amritsar	Punjab
14.	Kalpana Chawla Planetarium, Kurukshetra	Haryana
15.	Regional Science Centre, Jaipur	Rajasthan
16.	Regional Science Centre, Pune	Maharashtra
17.	ONGC Golden Jubilee Museum, Dehradun	Uttarakhand
18.	Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur	Rajasthan
19.	Jorhat Science Centre & Planetarium, Jorhat	Assam
20.	Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore	Tamil Nadu
21.	Regional Science Centre, Pilikula, Mangalore	Karnataka
22.	Sub-Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry (Renamed as Dr. Abdul Kalam Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry)	Puducherry

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question

Upcoming New Science Center being set up by NCSM

Sl. No.	Science Centers/Museums	Status
1.	Regional Science Centre, Dehradun, Uttarakhand	Ready for opening

Projects taken up during 12th and 13th Plan Period

Following Science Centre projects have been initiated and/are envisaged to be started during 12th/13th Plan period depending upon availability of funds:

1. Science City, Guwahati, Assam
2. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur, Tripura
3. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Baragarh, Odisha
4. Regional Science Centre, Kottayam, Kerala
5. Regional Science Centre, Mysore, Karnataka
6. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Palampur, Himachal Pradesh
7. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Kokrajhar, Assam
8. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Mayabunder, A & N Islands
9. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Srinagar, J & K
10. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Rajahmundry, AP
11. Sub-Reg. Science Centre, Kumaun, Uttarakhand (Fully funded by GoI.)
12. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Udaipur, Rajasthan
13. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jabalpur, MP* (under consideration by MoC)
14. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Gaya, Bihar*
15. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Ambala, Haryana (Fully funded by GoI.)*
16. Regional Science Centre, UT of Chandigarh*
17. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Tumkur, Karnataka (Fully funded by Karnataka Govt.)*
18. Regional Science Centre, Allahabad/Kanpur, UP*
19. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Amritsar/Bhatinda, Punjab*
20. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Dadra & Nagar Haveli/Daman & Diu*

To be continued in 13th Five Year Plan. The projects are under implementation and shall be taken up after commitments are received from the State govt./UT's as per norms.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (d) to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question

Proposals for Science Centres/Science Cities received from the States

1. Rohtak, Haryana
 2. Bikaner, Rajasthan
 3. Raichur, Karnataka
 4. Haveri, Karnataka
 5. Belgaum, Karnataka
 6. Hassan, Karnataka
 7. Shimoga, Karnataka
 8. Bellary, Karnataka
 9. Uttar Kannada, Karnataka
 10. Kodagu, Karnataka
 11. Bidar, Karnataka
 12. Sc. City, Sampla, Haryana
 13. Planetarium, Darbhanga, Bihar
 14. Burhanpur, MP
 15. Aurangabad, Maharashtra
 16. Paralakhemundi, Odisha
 17. Science City, Bangalore
 18. Science City, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra
 19. Science City, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh
 20. Science City, Patna, Bihar
 21. DSC, Sukma, Chhattisgarh
 22. Science City, Nagpur, Maharashtra
 23. RSC, Bhilai, Chhattisgarh
 24. SRSC, Raibareli, UP
 25. SRSC, Kaithal, Haryana
 26. Science City, Kumhari, Chhattisgarh
 27. Nadia, West Bengal
 28. Sambalpur, Odisha
 29. Balurghat, West Bengal
 30. Upgradation of Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur
 31. Ambikapur, Chattisgarh
 32. Science City/Centre, Vishakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
 33. Science City, Bhubaneswar (Odisha)
 34. SRSC, Keonjhar, Odisha
 35. SRSC, Jeypore, Koraput, Odisha
 36. RSC & Planetarium, Paithani, Uttarakhand
 37. SRSC & Planetarium, Thirunallar, Karaikal
 38. Science Park/SRSC at Khandapara in Nayagarh, Odisha
 39. Science Centre at Dharmanagar, Tripura
 40. Science Centre at Lunglei, Mizoram
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