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To,

Sri S.C. Mondal Under Secretary, M.II Ministry of Culture, Shastri Bhavan New Delhi – 110 001

Sub: Rajya Sabha Starred question no. S-3975 for 10.08.2021 regarding setting up of Science Centres in the country

Ref: Your e-mail dated 29.07.2021

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to furnish below materials for framing of appropriate reply to question diary no. S-3975 for 10.08.2021 regarding setting up of Science Centres in the country: -

S1.	Particulars	Material of NCSM for framing of
No.		appropriate reply
(a)	Number of science centres existing in the country;	Presently, 25 Science Museums/Science Centres in the country are functioning under the administrative control of National Council of Science Museums (NCSM) as per list attached at <b>Annexure T</b>
		NCSM in collaboration with State Governments and UTs have set up 22 science centres and handed over to respective state government for subsequent operation and maintenance as per list attached at <i>Annexure 'II'</i>
		NCSM has taken up projects for setting up of new science centres under SPoCS Scheme of Govt. of India as per list attached at <b>Annexure 'III'</b>
(b)	Whether many State Governments and institutions requested to set up science centre in the State;	Yes, as listed at Annexure III in (a) above
(c)	any criteria for setting up of science centre for individual institution or organisation; and	Criteria for setting up of science centre as per SPoCS scheme of Govt. of India is listed at <b>Annexure 'IV'</b>
(d)	If so, the details thereof?	Replied at (c) above.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
-Sd/(Saibal Bose)

Dy. Controller of Administration