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To,

Shri S C Mondal

Under Secretary

Museum II

Ministry of Culture,

Shastri Bhavan

New Delhi – 110 001

Sub: Lok Sabha Starred Diary no.2479 for 26.07.2021 regarding setting up of New Science Museums

Ref: Your e-mail dated 14.07.2021

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to furnish below materials for framing of appropriate reply to question diary no. 2479 for 26.07.2021_regarding setting up of New Science Museums :-

Sl. No.	Particulars	Material of NCSM for framing of appropriate reply
(a)	Whether Government has any intention to set up new science museums in the country	Yes
(b)	if so, the details thereof; State wise and place-wise including Maharashtra? and	NCSM has taken up projects for setting up of new science centres under SPoCS Scheme of Govt. of India as per list attached at Annexure 'I'
(c)	The details of probable expenditure of this, and by when these science museums would be set up?	Replied at Annexure 'I' above.

In addition to above, the following information are also being attached

I. 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 **Annexure 'II'**

II. NCSM in collaboration with State Governments and UTs have set up 21 science centres and handed over to respective state government for subsequent operation and maintenance as per list attached at **Annexure 'III'**

III. The Science Centres/Cities are set up by NCSM, the implementing agency under MoC under the Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS) of MoC based on the request of the State/UT Govt. and submission of DPR with commitment of encumbrance free developed land, share of funds and other commitments as per scheme guidelines.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

-Sd/-

(Saibal Bose)

Dy. Controller of Administration