

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF MUSEUMS

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up regional, State and local level museums in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of assistance proposed to be provided by the Government for setting up of such museums in the country;
- (d) the number of proposals for setting up of museums received so far;
- (e) the criteria fixed for the approval of such proposals; and
- (f) the details of funds allocated for the said purpose during the 11th Five Year Plan?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF TOURISM & CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

- (a) to (c) The Government has a "Scheme for Financial Assistance for 'Setting Up, Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums" which, inter alia, provides for financial assistance for setting up of new museums by the Registered Societies or Autonomous bodies under State Governments. Under this Scheme, an eligible institution can be provided financial assistance upto a maximum Rs.6.00 Crore and Rs 3.00 Crore, for setting up of category-I & category-II museums, respectively .
- (d) No proposal has been received yet.
- (e) A Registered Society or an Autonomous body under the State Government having land in its own name, is eligible to apply for setting up of new museums.
- (f) Rs 60.00.Crore has been allocated under the 11th Five Year Plan.