

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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RENOVATION OF MUSEUMS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is a need for a five year planned approach for the renewal/renovation of a large number of museums across the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the amount of funds likely to be spent for this purpose?

Answer

MINISTER OF HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION AND MINISTRY OF CULTURE (KUMARI SELJA)

(a) to (c) Ministry of Culture operates two plan schemes for financial assistance to museums that are in need for support. Details of the two schemes are:

(i) "Financial Assistance for Setting up, Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums" envisages financial assistance of up to Rs.5.00 crores and Rs.2.50 crores for development of infrastructure of existing museums under category I & II respectively. Assistance is also provided to Government and Non Government organizations, who propose to establish new museums at regional and local level. The budget allocation & expenditure under this scheme for the last three years are as under:

(Rupees in lakhs)

Sl.No	Year	Amount (BE/RE)	Amount Actual
1	2008-09	1200.00	770.79
2	2009-10	1250.00	1223.38
3	2010-11	1450.00	1068.79 (As on 15.02.2011)

(ii) Under the scheme of "Modernization of museums in metro cities", four museums-National Museum, New Delhi, Indian Museum, Kolkata, Egmore Museum, Chennai and Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya, Mumbai have been identified for modernization. The budget allocation & expenditure under this scheme for the last three years are as under:

(Rupees in lakhs)

Sl.No	Year	Amount (BE/RE)	Amount Actual
1	2008-09	700.00	700.00
2	2009-10	910.00	910.00
3	2010-11	600.00	183.00 (As on 15.02.2011)