

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
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INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM DAY
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry celebrates International Museum Day across the Country including Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the programmes/function organized at museums all over the country including Andhra Pradesh to marks the occasion during the last one year; and
- (c) the theme as well as the objective set for the current year?

Answer

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

- (a) All the museums under the Ministry of Culture celebrate International Museum Day on 18th May every year including Salar Jung Museum, Hyderabad (A.P).
- (b) The theme for International Museum Day 2011 set by International Council of Museums (ICOM) was "Museums & Memories". The events and Programmes organized by all the museums like workshops, lectures, story telling competitions, film shows etc were largely oriented to conform to the theme set by ICOM. All museums provided free entry on this day. Wide publicity is given in print media to attract visitors.
- (c) The theme for International Museum Day for the Year 2012 set by ICOM is "Museum in a changing world-New challenges, New Interpretations" and the museums have planned to organize special events including workshops and seminars to mark the occasion in a befitting manner.