

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MUSEUMS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Union Government has received proposals from the State Government of Madhya Pradesh seeking financial assistance for development of Archaeological Museum at Shahdol, Rani Durgawati Museum at Jabalpur, Yashodharaman Museum at Mandsoor and Central Museum at Indore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the financial assistance provided to these museum by the Union Government so far?

Answer

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SMT. CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

(a,b& c) Government of Madhya Pradesh (GOMP) submitted 19 proposals, including that of Archaeological Museum at Shahdol, Rani Durgawati Museum at Jabalpur, Yashodharaman Museum and Central Museum at Indore, for financial assistance under the scheme 'Setting up, Promotion and Strengthening of Regional and Local Museums' entailing a total project cost of ` 34.14 crores. They were asked to prioritize 3 museums out of the 19 proposals and seed money of Rs.100 lakh was sanctioned to enable them to undertake preliminary activities including preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) for the 3 museums. The State Museum at Bhopal, Gujari Mahal Museum at Gwalior and Local Archaeological Museum at Sironj have been prioritized by Government of Madhya Pradesh. The DPRs received from the Government of Madhya Pradesh were placed before the Expert Committee, which has desired a reworking of the DPRs.