

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
CULTURE  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the details of the science cities set up in the country, location-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to build more science cities in various parts of the country including Kuravilangad town located in Kottayam district of Kerala;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received land for the purpose, State/UT-wise;
- (e) if so, the time by which such cities are likely to be set up in various States including Kerala; and
- (f) the details of proposals received by the Government from the various States in this regard and the action taken on each of such proposals, State/UT-wise?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI KATOCH)

- (a) : Four Science Cities at Kolkata (West Bengal), Kapurthala (Punjab), Ahmedabad (Gujarat) and Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh) have been set up.
- (b) to (f): Setting up of Science Cities is an ongoing activity, based on proposals received from State Governments from time to time, in accordance with approved norms/ guidelines, subject to availability of resources. There is a proposal to set up Science City at Guwahati (Assam) for which land has been earmarked by the Govt. of Assam. As regards the State of Kerala, the initial proposal for setting up of Science City at Kottayam has been revised to that of a Science Centre by the Govt. of Kerala on the basis of existing approved norms. Government of Kerala has earmarked 24.4 ha of land for the purpose. The proposal for setting up of Science Centre at Kottayam (Kerala) is at the evaluation stage.