

ESTABLISHMENT AND MODERNIZATION OF MUSEUMS, CULTURAL SPACES AND EXHIBITIONS

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At present, the Archaeological Survey of India has Fifty-Two (52) Archaeological Site Museums under its administrative jurisdiction across the country. The state-wise list is enclosed at Annexure – 1.

The list of new museums, galleries, experiential spaces developed by ASI is enclosed at Annexure – II

Archaeological Survey of India annually maintains and periodically upgrades the existing archaeological site museums across the nation, as per the annual budget allocations by the Union Government.

Further, Ministry of Culture operates Museums Grant Scheme under which financial assistance is provided for setting up of New Museums/development of the existing museums/digitisation of museums and training of professionals of museums managed by Central/State Governments, Societies, Autonomous Bodies, Local Bodies, Academic Institutions and Trusts registered under the societies Act.

Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) has enhanced public engagement with cultural institutions through large-scale exhibitions, observance of World Heritage Day, World Heritage Week, ICOM International Museum Day, and other national events. These initiatives improve visibility, support outreach activities, and generate wider public interest while showcasing the nation's rich heritage.

Archaeological museums function as centres for site interpretation and secure display of antiquities, thereby serving as important hubs of cultural tourism. They also support local creative economies, including promotion of regional crafts and cuisines, and consequently contribute to strengthening associated economic activities.

This information was given by Union Minister for Culture and Tourism Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat in a written reply in Lok Sabha today

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ANNEXURE-I

List of Archaeological Site Museums under the jurisdiction of Archaeological Survey of India (ASI)

State	Sl. No.	Name of the Museums
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Andhra Pradesh	1.	Amravati
	2.	Chandragiri
	3.	Nagarjunakonda
Assam	4.	Sri Surya Pahar
Bihar	5.	Bodhgaya
	6.	Nalanda
	7.	Vaishali
	8.	Vikramshila
Delhi	9.	Purana Qila
	10.	Gallery of Confiscated and Retrieved Antiquities, Purana Qila
	11.	1857 - India's First War of Independence
	12.	Yaad-e-Jallian
	13.	Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose and Indian National Army
	14.	Azaadi-ke-Diwane
	15.	Humayun's Tomb World Heritage Site Museum
	16.	Archaeological Site Museum, Red Fort
	17.	Indian War Memorial Museum, Red Fort
Goa	18.	Velha Goa
Gujarat	19.	Dholavira
Haryana	20.	Sheikh Chilli's Tomb, Thaneswar
Himachal Pradesh	21.	Kangra Fort, Kangra

Karnataka	22.	Halebidu
	23.	Tipu Sultan Museum, Srirangapattanam
	24.	Hampi, Kamlapur
	25.	Aihole
	26.	Badami
	27.	Bijapur
Kerala	28.	Mattancherry Palace
Madhya Pradesh	29.	Chanderi
	30.	Gwalior
	31.	Sanchi
	32.	Shivpuri
	33.	Khajuraho
Maharashtra	34.	Museum on Mahatma Gandhi at Aga Khan Palace, Pune
Odisha	35.	Konarak
	36.	Ratnagiri
	37.	Lalitagiri
Punjab	38.	Ropar
Rajasthan	39.	Kalibangan
	40.	Deeg Palace Museum
Tamil Nadu	41.	Fort St. George Museum
Telangana	42.	Kondapur

Uttar Pradesh	43.	Taj
	44.	Fatehpur Sikri
	45.	Sarnath
	46.	Virtual Experiential Museum (VEM), Man Mahal, Varanasi
	47.	1857 Residency Museum
	48.	Piprahwa
Uttrakhand	49.	Jageshwar
West Bengal	50.	Koch Bihar Palace Museum
	51.	Hazarduari Palace Museum
	52.	Tamluk

ANNEXURE-II

List of New Museums and Galleries by Archaeological Survey of India:

Sl. No.	Name of the Archaeological Museum	State	Year of opening
1	Archaeological Site Museum, Piprahwa (Kapilvastu)	Uttar Pradesh	2016
2	Archaeological Site Museum, Shivpuri	Madhya Pradesh	2017
3	Archaeological Site Museum, Lalitagiri	Odisha	2019
4	‘1857- India’s First War of Independence’, Red Fort, Delhi	Delhi	2019
5	‘Yaad-e-Jallian’, B2 Colonial Building, Red Fort, Delhi	Delhi	2019
6	‘Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and INA’, Red Fort, Delhi	Delhi	2019

7	Virtual Experiential Museum, Man Mahal, Varanasi	Uttar Pradesh	2019
8	‘Azaadi-ke-Diwane’, Red Fort, Delhi	Delhi	2019
9	‘Gallery of Confiscated and Retrieved Antiquities’, Purana Qila	Delhi	2019
10	‘Museum on Mahatma Gandhi’, Aga Khan Palace, Pune	Maharashtra	2019
11	The Humayun’s Tomb World Heritage Site Museum	Delhi	2024

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