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Under Secretary to the Govt, M.II
Ministry of Culture,
Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi – 110 001

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Sub: RSQDY No. U1510 regarding 'Digitalisation of Museums' to be answered on 27.07.2023-reg.

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Ref: Your e-mail dated 17.07.2023

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to furnish below materials for framing of appropriate reply to RSQDY No. U1510 regarding 'Digitalisation of Museums' to be answered on 27.07.2023: -

Sl. No.	Question	Material of NCSM for framing of reply									
(a)	The list of centrally owned museums that have gone through digitalization since 2014;	<p>Not known to National Council of Science Museums (NCSM).</p> <p>However, it may please be noted that that NCSM has set up Virtual Experiential Museum with the financial assistance received from the Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India at the following places: -</p> <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>Sl. No.</th><th>Particulars</th><th>Remarks</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>1</td><td>Virtual Experiential Museum at Varanasi in the state of U.P.</td><td>The museum was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on 19.02.2019</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>Virtual Experiential Museum at Ajanta in National Museum, New Delhi</td><td>The project was completed by NCSM, in all respects and handed over to National Museum, Delhi on 20th February, 2020</td></tr></tbody></table>	Sl. No.	Particulars	Remarks	1	Virtual Experiential Museum at Varanasi in the state of U.P.	The museum was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on 19.02.2019	2	Virtual Experiential Museum at Ajanta in National Museum, New Delhi	The project was completed by NCSM, in all respects and handed over to National Museum, Delhi on 20th February, 2020
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(b)	The year-wise and state-wise details of the funds allocated for Virtual	The year-wise and state-wise details of the funds allocated for Virtual Experiential Museums (VEMS) since 2016 is enclosed at Annexure-A									

	Experiential Museums (VEMS) since 2016;	
(c)	Whether the government has any unique plans that further enhances the digital experience of these monuments with special focus on Odisha and its museums;	Not known to NCSM.
(d)	If yes, details thereof;	Not applicable.
(e)	If not, reasons therefore?	Not applicable.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
Sd/-
(Saurav Ghosh)
Dy. Controller of Administration

ANNEXURE-A**Year wise and state wise details of funds allocated for virtual experimental museums (VEM) since 2016****(Rs. in Lakh)**

Sl. No.	Particulars	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 (till date)	Total
1	Virtual Experiential Museum at Ajanta in National Museum, New Delhi	-	500.00	275.00	86.57	-	-	-	-	861.57
2	Virtual Experiential Museum at Varanasi (U.P.)	-	600.00	150.00	-	-	-	-	-	750.00