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To,

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

Sub: RSQDY No. 2295 for 13.02.2023 regarding 'Awareness Among Youth About Culture and Heritage'.

Ref: Your e-mail dated 07.02.2023

Sir,

With reference to above, I am directed to furnish below materials for framing of appropriate reply to RSQDY No. 2295 for 13.02.2023 regarding 'Awareness Among Youth About Culture and Heritage': -

SI.	Question	Material of NCSM for framing of reply
no.		
(a)	The steps taken by the Government to spread awareness about our culture and heritage among youth of the country;	Not known to National Council of Science Museums (NCSM).
		However, it is stated that as a part of the objectives of NCSM, a number of programmes are organised through science museums/centres under NCSM to portray the growth of science and technology and their applications in industry and human welfare with a view to developing scientific attitude and temper and to create, inculcate and sustain a general awareness among the people in general and the students and youths in particular. Some of these programmes are the Science Fairs, Science Seminars, Science Drama, Science Demonstration Lectures, Travelling Science Exhibitions for rural areas etc.
		Further, NCSM has set up Innovation Hubs which are colocated in the existing Science Cities/Science Centres Science Museums and non-formal educational institutions that promote creativity and inspire innovations under the Scheme for Promotion of Culture of Science (SPoCS) primarily with the following objectives: - • To equip and strengthen activities of the existing Science Cities/ Science Centres /Institutions to

		 inspire innovations by young children including youths; To catalyse creation of more innovation hubs in different parts of the country especially in rural areas;
		 To provide appropriate environment to nurture creative and innovating ideas of young children including youths.
(b)	Whether the Government is aware that youth are slowly attracted towards the unsocial elements because of the misuse of social media; and	Not known to National Council of Science Museums (NCSM)
(c)	If so, the steps taken/being taken by the ministry in collaboration with Ministry of Education to include chapters from our rich culture and heritage in the school curriculum?	Not Applicable

Thanking you

Yours faithfully, Sd/- (Saibal Bose) Controller of Administration