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## INTRODUCTION

The National Council of Science Museums (NCSM) was registered under the W.B.Registration of Societies Act XXVI of 1961 on the 4<sup>th</sup> of April, 1978 with the Union Minister of Education as its President. The NCSM, an autonomous society, appears under the Department of Culture, Union Ministry of Education and Culture in the Govt. of India (Allocation of Business) Rules 1961 as amended by a gazette notification No.CD-607/79 dated 17.9.79.

The NCSM on its formation, took over the following three Science Museums/Centre which had been earlier functioning under the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), and which were delinked from the CSIR under the gazette notification No.CD-261/78 dated 6.4.78.

- 1) Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Calcutta
- 2) Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore
- 3) Nehru Science Centre, Bombay

The above museums were delinked from the CSIR by decisions made by the Governing Body of CSIR on 21.9.1977 and by the Society of the CSIR at its meeting held on 23.11.77 presided over by the President, CSIR (Prime Minister of India). Based on the recommendation of the Society and the Governing Body of CSIR, the Govt. of India decided that the delinking of above museums from CSIR shall be final and they will continue with the Ministry of Education & Culture vide CSIR O.M. No. I-CSIR/TL-78-III/CDN dated 15.10.82.

Since its formation the NCSM has set up a series of new science centres viz. Main Buildings of Nehru Science Centre, Bombay; Shrikrishna Science Centre, Patna; District Science Centre, Purulia; District Science Centre, Gulbarga; District Science Centre, Dharampur, and District Science Centre, Tirunelveli. A chain of science museums/centres is in the making as per approved 7<sup>th</sup> plan proposal viz. A National level science centre at Delhi, State level science centres at Lucknow, Guwahati, Bhubaneswar and Bhopal, District level science centres at Nagpur, Calicut, and in North East Council States.

The following pages will bear the Memorandum of Association, Rules and Regulations, Bye-Laws and lists of Members of the Society and the Governing Body of the NCSM.

West Bengal Form No. 264.



## Certificate of Registration of Societies

West Bengal ACT XXVI of 1961

No. S/21927 of 1978 -1979

I hereby certify that National Council of  
Science Museums

has this day been registered under the West Bengal Societies  
Registration Act, 1961.

Given under my hand at Calcutta

this Fourth day of April

One nine hundred and seventy eight



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Registrar of Firms, Societies  
Non-Trading Corporations,  
West Bengal.

**MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION  
OF THE  
NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SCIENCE MUSEUM\***

1. The name of the Society shall be "National Council of Science Museums".
2. The Registered office of the Society shall be for the time being situated at 19A, Gurusaday Road, Calcutta.
3. The objects for which the Society is established are :-
  - (i) To take over the administration and management of the following three museums/centres with all their assets of whatever nature and all their liabilities from the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, a society registered under the Societies Registration Act XXI of 1860.
    - (a) Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Calcutta.
    - (b) Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore.
    - (c) Nehru Science Centre, Bombay.
  - (ii) To administer and run the above three museums/centres and their Regional Science Centre.
  - (iii) To establish, take over and administer new museums or centres of science, technology and industry and like institutions at all levels - national, state, district and block.
  - (iv) To portray the growth of science and technology and their application in industry and human welfare, with a view to develop scientific attitude and temper and to create, inculcate and sustain a general awareness amongst the people.
  - (v) To collect, restore and preserve important historical objects which represent landmarks in the development of science, technology and industry.
  - (vi) To preserve the relics of industrial archaeology as site museums.
  - (vii) To design, develop and fabricate science museums exhibits, demonstration equipments and scientific teaching aids for science education and popularisation of science.
  - (viii) To popularise science and technology in cities, urban and rural areas for the benefit of students and for the common man by organising exhibitions, seminars, popular lectures, science camps and various other programmes;
  - (ix) To supplement science education given in schools and colleges and to organise various out-of-school educational activities to foster a spirit of scientific enquiry and creativity among the students;
  - (x) To organise training programmes for science teachers/students/young entrepreneurs/technicians/handicapped/house-wives and others on specific subjects of science, technology and industry;
  - (xi) To render assistance to universities, technical institutions, museums, schools and colleges or other bodies in planning and organising science museums and also in training of personnel for museum profession;
  - (xii) To establish Centres for development of science exhibits and demonstration aids;
  - (xiii) To conduct research in science and technology in the areas pertaining to the activities of the Council and to evaluate traditional science and technology in the light of modern scientific and technical concepts.
  - (xiv) To establish and award research fellowships and financing of specific researches in relevant fields;
  - (xv) To collect, restore and preserve records and documents relating to the development of science, technology and industry with special reference to India and set up an archive for the above purpose;
  - (xvi) To collect and disseminate information in regard to science, technology and industrial museums and centres;
  - (xvii) To establish and maintain research and reference libraries in pursuance of the objects of the Society with reading and study rooms and to furnish the same with books, reviews, magazines, newspapers and other publications;
  - (xviii) To publish scientific papers, books and journals devoted to the field of museology, history of science and technology and popularisation of science;
  - (xix) To enter into agreements with foreign scientific agencies and science and technology museums/centres and like institutions for exchange of museum professionals, study tours, training in specialised areas in the field of museology and museography and history of science and technology, conducting joint projects, providing technical assistance in the establishment of science and technology museums/centres and like institutions and for other matters consistent with the aims and objectives of the Society.
  - (xx) For the purpose of the Society to draw and accept, make and endorse, discount and negotiate Government of India and other promissory notes, bills of exchange, cheques or other negotiable instruments;
  - (xxi) To invest the funds of, or money received by or entrusted to, the Society upon such securities or in such manner as may from time to time be determined by the Governing Body and from time to time sell or transpose such investment;
  - (xxii) To borrow money from Central or State Government, banks or other financial institutions for the purpose of the Society;
  - (xxiii) To accept grants or money from the Central Government, State Governments, CSIR and other public bodies, corporations, companies or persons for the purpose of the Society;
  - (xxiv) To purchase, take on lease, accept as a gift or otherwise acquire any land or building wherever situated in India which may be necessary or convenient for the Society;
  - (xxv) To construct or alter any building which may be necessary for the Society;
  - (xxvi) To sell, lease, exchange, gift, mortgage, license or otherwise transfer all or any portion of the movable or immovable properties of the Society;
  - (xxvii) To employ and pay the necessary staff for the purposes of the Society and maintain provident fund, gratuity and superannuation schemes for the benefit of such staff;
  - (xxviii) To do all other such things as the Society or the Governing Body may consider necessary, incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives.
4. The income and property of the Society, however derived, shall be applied towards the promotion of the objects thereof as set forth in this Memorandum of Association subject nevertheless in respect of the expenditure or disposal of the properties to such limitations or conditions as the Government of India may from time to time impose. No portion of the income and property of the Society shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividends, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit, to the persons who at any time are or have been members of the Society or to any of them or to any person claiming through them or any of them, provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith of remuneration to any member thereof or other persons in return for any service rendered to the Society.

5. The Government may issue such directions to the Society as it may consider necessary for the furtherance of the objects of the Society and for ensuring their proper and effective functioning and the Society will carry out such directions.
6. If, on the winding up or dissolution of the Society, there shall remain, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Society or any of them but shall be dealt with in such manner as the Government of India may determine.
7. The Governing Body of the Society to whom the management of its affairs are entrusted shall be the Body constituted to be Governing Body under the rules and regulations of the Society and the first members of the said Governing Body shall be:

<i>Sl.No</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Status</i>
1.	Shri A S Gill	Addl. Secretary, Dept. of Culture, New Delhi	Member
2.	Dr A Ramachandran	Secretary, Dept. of Science & Technology, and Director General, Scientific & Industrial Research, New Delhi	Member
3.	Shri J A Kalyanakrishnan	Financial Adviser, Ministry of Education and Social Welfare, New Delhi	Member
4.	Dr Atma Ram	Chairman, National Committee of Science & Technology, New Delhi	Member
5.	Dr A N Bose	Vice-Chancellor, Jadavpur University, Calcutta	Member
6.	Shri A Bose	Director of Museums, 19A Gurusaday Road, Calcutta	Member
7.	Smt J Anjani Dayanand	Jt. Secretary (Schools), Ministry of Education & Social Welfare, New Delhi	Member

The first Governing Body will hold office for a period of one year or until a new Governing Body is formed in accordance with the Rules & Regulations of the Society, whichever is earlier.

8. A copy of the Rules of the Society certified to be corrected copy by three members of the Governing Body is filed along with the Memorandum of Association.
9. We, the several persons whose names and addresses are given below, having associated ourselves for purposes described in this Memorandum of Association do hereby subscribe our names to this Memorandum of Association and set our several and respective hands hereunto and form ourselves into a Society, under West Bengal Societies Registration Act XXVI of 1961, this Third day of April, one thousand nine hundred and seventy eight.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Attestation</i>
Shri A S Gill	Sd/- S S Gill	Addl. Secretary, Dept. of Culture, New Delhi	Sd/- (J.M.Gugnani), Asst. Educational Adviser, Ministry of Education (D/o Culture)
Dr A Ramachandran	Sd/- A Ramachandran	Secretary, Dept. of Science and Technology and Director General, Council of Scientific & Industrial Research, New Delhi	Sd/- (S K Ghose), Sr Curator, B.I.T.M.
Shri J A Kalyanakrishnan	Sd/- J A Kalyanakrishnan	Financial Adviser, Ministry of Education and Social Welfare, New Delhi	Sd/- (S.N.Dutt), Dy. Secy, M/Edu. & S.W.
Dr Atma Ram	Sd/- Atma Ram	Chairman, National Committee on Science & Technology, New Delhi	Sd/- Atma Ram Sd/- (S.K.Ghose), Sr. Curator, B.I.T.M.
Dr A N Bose	Sd/- A N Bose	Vice-Chancellor, Jadavpur University, Calcutta	Sd/- (D.P.Ganguly), S.O., B.I.T.M.
Shri A Bose	Sd/- A Bose	Director of Museums, 19A, Gurusaday Road, Calcutta	Sd/- (S.K.Ghose), Sr Curator, B.I.T.M.
Smt J Anjani Dayanand	Sd/- A Dayanand	Jt. Secretary (Schools), Ministry of Education & Social Welfare, New Delhi	Sd/- (Miss) (Veena Kohli), Dy. Secretary, Ministry of Education & Social Welfare.