

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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NEHRU MEMORIAL MUSEUM AND LIBRARY
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the present status of modernisation of Nehru Memorial Museum and Library at New Delhi (NMML);
- (b) whether the Government has finalised any proposal for digitisation of precious collection of private and institutional papers kept in NMML;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a) to (d) The Nehru Memorial Museum and Library have prepared a detailed project for modernisation at a total cost of Rs.20 crores. The proposal includes a component for digitisation of precious collection of private institutional papers kept in the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library at a total cost of Rs.10 crores. The digitisation proposal takes into account the latest techniques being followed presently by the leading Archives and Libraries in the World. The Ministry of Finance have provided a sum of Rs.20 crores to fund the project in the first batch of Supplementary Demands for Grants for the year 2007-08.