Report on Organising Training programme on "Preservation of Historical and Cultural Monuments & Exchange of Delegations", under MGC PoA (2019-22).

One of the action points under MGC Plan of Action 2019-2022 extended upto 2024 is "Organizing training programs on preservation of Historical and Cultural Monuments.".

2. In this regard, National Museum Institute (NMI) organised the 12 days Training programme at its institute in New Delhi from 6th March 2023 to 17th March 2023 wherein 8 participants (2 each from CLVT Countries i.e Cambodia, Lao PDR, Vietnam and Thailand) participated.

3. The list of the participants is as under:-

Sr. No.	Country	Name of the participants
1.	Cambodia	Mr. LA SOKHENG and Mr. Thean Ty
2.	Laos PDR	Mr. Mongkutphet Vongphachanh and Mr. Amphol Sengphachanh,
3.	Vietnam	Ms. Vu Thi Ha Ngan, and Ms. Tran Thi Thuy Ha
4.	Thailand	Mr. Patiwat Tuion and Ms. Pathravadee Deanandchoke

- 4. The training programme on *Preservation of Historical and Cultural Monuments* was focused on best practices that can be employed in physical and cultural preservation of historical and cultural monuments. The sessions deliberated upon the historical context of the monuments, preservation strategies, along with conventions and ethics associated with the restoration of architectural heritage. As preservation of architectural heritage requires community involvement at grassroots level, the training programme also focused on how museum professionals can engage the community in documentation practices and in creating awareness programmes against vandalism and other natural calamities. During the training course, the field visits to important Museums and Monoments in NCR were also organised.
- 5. The programme was conducted by Department of Museology, National Museum Institute and was coordinated by Prof. Dr Manvi Seth, Dean National Museum Institute & Head Department of Museology.