



# Union Minister Lays Foundation Stone of Tribal Culture Centre

## Why in News?

Recently, Union Minister for Tribal Affairs; Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare Arjun Munda, virtually laid the foundation stone of '**Centre for Preservation and promotion of Tribal Culture & Heritage**' at Seraikela Kharsawan district, Jharkhand.

## Key Points

- The museum is an effort to **depict and preserve the rich legacy of the tribal community** in the State of Jharkhand, while **showcasing the rich tribal way of life and culture**.
  - The Union Ministry for Tribal Affairs has approved this initiative by allocating a budget of Rs. 10 crores for the establishment of the Centre.
  - The centre is aimed to be developed in future as a live centre, with **space for artisans to demonstrate their skills** and to serve as a **hub for tourism**.
  - It would be showcasing the physical and intangible tribal culture, its history and heritage of the region.
- At another event, he also **inaugurated** the recently renovated **National Unique Tribal Museum, e-Library and ST Girls' hostel** funded by the Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs at **Bharatiya Adim Jati Sevak Sanghathan (BAJSS)**, in New Delhi.
  - The BAJSS was established in the year **1948 by Amritlal Vithaldas Thakkar**, popularly known as Thakkar Bapa, an Indian social worker **who worked for the upliftment of tribal people**.

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