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Action taken report with reference to the Annual Report and the Resolutions placed at the 220th AGM held on Saturday, 28th September 2024

I. ACTION TAKEN REPORT

There is no action to be taken on the Annual Report.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH THE RESOLUTIONS PLACED AT THE PREVIOUS 220th AGM HELD ON 28th SEPTEMBER 2024, WHICH WERE PLACED UNDER AGENDA ITEM NO.7

Proposed Resolution (From the Managing Committee):

A.1 Resolution No.7.A.1:

The resolution No.7.A.1 moved in the 220th AGM, for confirming the Honorary Fellowships of the Society on distinguished persons, was unanimously passed by the General Body.

Dr. Maneesha Tikekar declined due to personal reasons.

Whereas, the office of Mr. Anand Mahindra conveyed appreciation for the award to Mr. Anand Mahindra (for his contribution to the field of Industry and Art). However, since Mr. Mahindra was currently not in India, they requested that he be excused from accepting the award this year.

B. Proposed Resolution (From Members):

The following resolutions submitted by the members before the General Body Meeting for

B.1 Resolution No.7B.1:

The resolution No.7.B.1, proposed by Mr. Pulind Samant and Mr. Manoj V. Kulkarni, moved in the 220th AGM, (that in view of the current precarious financial condition of the Society as well as in view of the lack of suitable options, and also with a view to secure the future of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai for future generations, the Managing Committee of ASM must approach the Government of India, through the Governor of Maharashtra, who is a Patron of ASM by virtue of the position, for securing the status of 'Institute of National Importance' for ASM, at the earliest) **was accepted by the General Body.**

The matter of taking steps to declare the Asiatic Society of Mumbai as an Institution of National Importance had been pursued over the years. As no response had been received, with a certain sense of disillusionment, it was not pursued in this year.

B.2 Resolution No.7B.2:

The resolution No. 7B.2, proposed by A.V. Gopalakrishnan and seconded by Chirag Dighe (that the members be given an option to borrow books through courier service on payment basis) being a good suggestion, **was accepted by the General Body.**

However, it was not implemented, as no demand for this facility had been made.

President's Message

The time has come for me to bid goodbye to all of you. As I look back on the six years that I have been the President of the ASM, and before that the six years as the Hon. Secretary, I can legitimately claim that the Asiatic Society has been an integral part of my daily existence. I have worked closely with many of the office-bearers, and together we have ensured that the activities of the Society are well managed and given their due publicity. This has resulted in an excellent response, not only from members, but also from the public who have turned up in good number for our evening programmes. Several of our sub-committees have worked towards achieving this goal. Particular mention in this regard must be made of the Mumbai Research Centre, the Endowment Committee, the Lit Club, and the Book Selection Committee.

I think we might have done even better if we did not have to face some negativity from our own members. I fail to understand what such negativity hoped to achieve. It certainly did nothing for the Asiatic Society. Surely it should be the responsibility of every member to ensure that the Society prospers. And if we have survived for 221 years, then every member should consider it their duty to ensure that it continues to survive with dignity and aplomb.

We are fortunate that the majority of the Staff have contributed towards this goal. Our AO, Mr Nitin Patil, has given the lead in the right direction. Unfortunately, paucity of finances has caused some heartburn. And for those of us at the helm of affairs paying the staff salaries has been a constant struggle. We have not given up in our efforts to get the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, to increase the annual grant that we have been receiving. And we were hopeful that this year we would meet with some success. But, again, the negative comments and criticism from some members, which were actually forwarded to the Ministry, dampened this expectation. Once again, it was the Society that lost out.

A singular achievement of our Hon. Secretary, Dr Mangala Sirdeshpande, and Vice President, Dr Shehernaz Nalwalla, was to persuade the Government of Maharashtra and the BMC to sanction an annual grant to the Asiatic Society. None of the earlier Office Bearers had been able to achieve this. Unfortunately, one of the conditions made by the Government of Maharashtra while sanctioning this grant was that it should not be used towards payment of salaries. This was a sad blow indeed.

In conclusion, I appeal to those who will take charge of the Asiatic Society, to continue in the efforts to increase our financial status. I repeat what I had stated last year. We need to reach out to philanthropists, like-minded organisations, and the public at large who care for books, research, and libraries, to support a culture-specific organisation like ours.

The pages that follow will update you with more details of the year covered in this report

Prof. Vispi R. Balaporia
President
Asiatic Society of Mumbai

THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI
ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2024-2025

1. HIGHLIGHTS OFTHEYEAR

- Prof. Bhalchandra Mungekar was unanimously elected as the Chairperson of the Board of Trustees. All members congratulated him on his appointment.
- We welcome the new Trustees – Mr. Akil Kureshi (retired Chief Justice of the High Court of Rajasthan and Tripura) and Prof. Dilip Nachane, noted academician.
- Two officers were deputed by the Ministry of Culture to look into the issues of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai. The Officers were informed that the Society is in dire need for an increase of Annual Grant, or Corpus Grant. Once the increase in Grant is received from the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, the Government of Maharashtra could be asked for a matching increase.
- Shri Vikas Kharage, IAS, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra, visited the Society on 14th May 2024. After his visit, the Society had sent a letter dated 15th May 2024 bringing to his notice the paucity of funds for the day-to-day management of the Society.
- A commemorative coin to mark the 350th anniversary of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's coronation was presented to Ms. Madhavi Kamat by the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (CSMVS) where Ms. Kamat is the ASM Representative. She in turn presented the coin to the Society.
- Mr. Harish Shah became a Donor Member of the Society.

2. ACTIVITIES OF THE SOCIETY

- It is heartening that several schools and colleges are arranging visits for their students to visit the Society's premises to view the library and understand the conservation process.

SOCIETY'S FOUNDATION DAY

The 220th Foundation Day was held on 26th November 2024 in the Durbar Hall of the Society. The Chief Guest of the function, Prof. Bhalchandra Mungekar, Chairman, Board of Trustees,

conferred the Honorary Fellowships of the Society on five distinguished scholars. He then released the latest issue of the ASM Journal Volume 92/2019 of the Society; and the publication of Amaligramamahatmya as part of the Sahyadhrikhand Project. Dr. Gauri Mahulekar spoke about the Sahyadrikhand Project.

The Honorary Fellowshipswho were conferred on the following distinguished scholars:

1. Dr. Amitav Ghosh (For contribution to the field of Literature) - Awarded in absentia.
2. Dr. Arvind P. Jamkhedkar *(For contribution to the field of Archaeology, Art History, Sanskrit and Tribal History) - awarded in person*
3. Dr. Kumud Kanitkar *(For contribution to the field of Art History) - awarded in person*
4. Dr. Shashi Tharoor *(For contribution to the field of Literature and Politics) - Awarded in absentia;*
5. Pandit Arvind Parikh *(For contribution to the field of Hindustani Music)*

Dr. Arvind Jamkhedkar and Dr. Kumud Kanitkar received the award in person. Whereas, Ms. Poorvi Parekh, daughter of Pandit Arvind Parekh, received the award on his behalf.

Dr. Amitav Ghosh was handed his medal and citation on 17th January 2025 during his brief visit to the Society. Dr. Shashi Tharoor will be handed over his medal and citation whenever he is in Mumbai.

Dr. Maneesha Tikekar had declined to accept the award for personal reasons.

The office of Mr. Anand Mahindra had conveyed appreciation for the award to Mr. Anand Mahindra (for his contribution to the field of Industry and Art). However, since Mr. Mahindra was currently not in India, they requested that he be excused from accepting the award this year.

The following who received the Honorary Fellowship in absentia, were given the citation and medals:

1. Maestro Zubin Mehta (Honorary Fellow 2023) accepted the citation on 20th August 2024 at the NCPA. Thereafter, he visited the Asiatic Society of Mumbai on 23rd August 2024 and was happy to see our rare and valuable books and manuscripts including the Divine Comedy. He was full of praise for the work that was being done by the Asiatic Society of Mumbai. He was accompanied by Mrs. Mehroo Jeejeebhoy, Director, Mehli Mehta Foundation.
2. Dr. Upinder Singh, Honorary Fellow (2023) visited the Society on 28th November 2024. She was presented the medal and the citation at the Durbar Hall.
3. Prof. Usha R Vijailakshmi, Vice President of the Society, presented The Campbell Memorial Gold Medal to Dr. Subhas Chandra Malik during her visit to Delhi on 5th January 2025.

On 5th November 2024, the Office Bearers of the Society - Prof. Bhalchandra Mungekar, (Chairperson of the Board of Trustees), Prof. Vispi Balaporia (President), Prof. Mangala Sirdeshpande (Hon. Secretary),Mrs. Meenal Kshirsagar (Vice President), Dr. Shehernaz Nalwalla (Vice President), Mr. Joy Thomas (Vice President) and Prof. Usha R Vijailakshmi ((Vice President) met with the Governor of Maharashtra and Chief Patron of the Society, H.E. Shri C.P. Radhakrishnan, and invited him to be the Chief Guest for the 220th Foundation Day Programme of the Society. They also apprised him about the financial status of the Society. However, he declined the invitation due to the forthcoming elections in Maharashtra.

CHARITY COMMISSIONER'S HEARINGS:

Hearings with the Charity Commissioner were held during 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025. The judgement on the appointment of Returning Officer for the elections held at the 219th AGM of 2023 is still awaited.

PICTORIAL HISOTRY:

Ms. Shabnam Minwalla has been commissioned to write the Pictorial History of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai. An MoU to that effect has been signed between the author and the Asiatic Society of Mumbai. The work is in progress.

COLLABORATIVE TALKS:

The following two collaborative programmes were held

i. The Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, Pratham and the Asiatic Society of Mumbai had organised a talk in memory of late Shri Sharad Kale on 25th June 2024 at Rangaswar, Yashwantrao Chavan Centre.The speaker, Dr. Abhay Bang, Director - Society for Education, Action and Research in Community Health (SEARCH), spoke on “Public Health Challenges and Community Participation: A Case Study by SEARCH.”

ii. The Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, Pratham and the Asiatic Society of Mumbai had organised a talk in memory of late Shri Sharad Kale on 19th October 2024 at Rangaswar, Yashwantrao Chavan Centre, on the topic “India and the World Now.” The talk was delivered by Kumar Ketkar, Ex. MP-Rajya Sabha and Sr. Journalist.

3. THE SOCIETY REGRETS THE SAD DEMISE OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Life Members:

Mr. Kishore V. Mariwala Mr. Shirish B. Patel Mr. Papagudi S. Sankaranarayan
Ms. Neela V. Upadhye Mr. Sanjay Singvi Mr. Iqbal M. Chagla
Dr. Sujata Kanhere

Honorary Fellow: Mr. Shyam Benegal

4. PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN THROUGH THE GRANT

The Society has undertaken projects from the Planned Grant-in-aid received from the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, New Delhi. The details of the on-going projects which are in the process of completion are given below:

On-going projects undertaken from the Planned Grant-in-aid of the Ministry of Culture:

i) Critical Edition and Translation of Manuscripts in the Holdings of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai, 2008.

As part of the Sahyadhrikhand Project Amaligramamahatmya was published. Dr. Gauri Mahulekar spoke about the Sahyadrikhand and the Amaligramamahatmya Project, and the printed publication was released at the 220th Foundation Day held on 26th November 2024.

ii) Handbook of Coins in the holdings of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai (2009-2010): The work is on going and nearing completion.

5. REPORTS

5.1 Reports from the following Sub-Committees have not been received:

5.1-a **Library Administration Committee**
Chairman: Mr. Joy Thomas Kuriappilly
Convenor: Ms. Renu D Parekh

5.1-b Staff Welfare Committee Report
Chairman: Mr. Joy Thomas Kuriappilly

5.1-c Publications Committee Report

5.1-d MM Dr. P.V. Kane Institute for Post-Graduate Studies and Research
I/C Director & Convenor: Prof. Suraj Pandit

5.1-e Resource Mobilisation Committee
Chairman: Mr. Joy Thomas Kuriappilly

5.1-f **Staff Matters Committee**

5.1-g **Legal Committee**

5.2 Library Digitization Project - Phase II:

Microfilming / Digitization, Manuscripts, Rare Books and Maps Section:
During the year, 2,489 books were digitized under the Library Digitization Project. Further 4,768 books were checked for quality.

Researchers/Scholars referred to the digitized/microfilmed material from the Special Collection Room for their research purpose. The Microfilming / Digitization Department has given 1142 microfilm printouts/soft copies to researchers (members / non-members) on payment.

5.3 **Dr. Aroon Tikekar Centre for Advanced Studies:**

Chairperson: Mr. Vilas Dhavale

Convenor: Ms. Smruti Koppikar / Ms. Madhavi G. Kamat

The annual function of the Tikekar Centre was held in the Durbar Hall on 1 February 2025. Reputed Historian and Professor at Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Dr. Prachi Deshpande was the chief guest. She spoke on "Scripting the History of Language".

ABSTRACT: Usually, we think of language history in two ways: a chronological story of its literature from the earliest text to the present, or the way it evolved within a language family over centuries. Scripts are usually seen as technical instruments for writing language, or as symbols of identity. Can a focus on the relationship between scripts, language, and writing, give us insights into how, where, and by whom a language was used, and how people thought about language in different ways? In this talk she focused on the cursive Modi script, which was used to write business documents in Marathi for several centuries, to chart a history of Marathi usage and users over the last few hundred years. Through the example of Modi and Marathi, she spoke about changing attitudes and practices of language in Maharashtra and beyond, such as literacy and orality, documentation and archiving, multilinguality, and linguistic identity.

On the day, the current Fellow **Mr. Aslam Saiyad** presented the work so far caried out for his subject "Cultural & Religious Festivals of Adivasis of Palghar District through sociological and economic lenses". He has sought an extension and is expected to complete his work and submit his final dissertation during the year 2025-26.

Mr. Elloit Cardozo was announced as the selected candidate to pursue **Tikekar Fellowship for 2025 - 26.**The title of his project is "The linguistic remixing of Bambaiyya into Rap". He could not attend the function.

The college lecture series held in colleges across Mumbai and Mumbai Metropolitan Region continued this year too. This year's series continued with a new subject titled "Eating out in Mumbai." One lecture was held at Wilson College, featuring Dr. Mohasina Mukadam as the speaker. The response from students was overwhelmingly positive.

Dr Aroon Tikekar Centre hopes to continue the research and knowledge dissemination work it has done so far and augment it in other ways in the coming years.

5.4 **Endowment Lectures:**

Chairperson: Mrs. Meenal Kshirsagar

Convenor: Ms. Prakriti Sharan

During the year, the Society held the endowment lectures, except the Prof. L.B. Kenny Endowment Lecture (which is held every alternative year) in the Durbar Hall of the Society. The lectures were delivered by renowned speakers, specialized in their own subjects and were highly appreciated by the audience. The details of the Endowment Lectures held during the year are given below:

Date	Name of the Endowment and the Topic	Speaker & the Chair
5th April, 2024	The 34th Smt. Nabadurga Banerji Endowment Lecture: Topic: "From transparency to a culture of fraud: Britain-India relations in the 19th century."	Prof. Utsa Patnaik, *Professor Emeritus, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University* **Presided by:** **Prof Ritu Dewan,** *Former Director & Professor, Department of Economics, University of Mumbai.*

24th April 2024	The 14th B. G. Deshmukh Endowment Lecture Topic: “Making Regulation in India work better."	**Dr. K.P. Krishnan, IAS (Retd),** *Former Secretary, Government of India.* **Presided by:** Mr. Justice B.N. Srikrishna, *Former Judge, Supreme Court of India and Former Chairperson, Board of Trustees of the Society.*
26th April 2024	The 26th Gulestan and Rustom Billimoria Endowment Lecture Topic: “Tagore and Gandhi: A Legacy of Public Reasoning.”	**Prof. Rudrangshu Mukherjee,** *Renowned Historian and Author.* **Prof. Usha Thakkar,** *President, Mani Bhavan Gandhi Sangrahalaya and Honorary Fellow, Asiatic Society of Mumbai.*
3rd May 2024	The Twelfth Professor Dhirendra Narain Endowment Lecture Topic: “The Vision of the Indian National Movement: Current Challenges.”	Prof. Aditya Mukherjee, *General President, Indian History Congress 2023-2024 and former Professor of Contemporary Indian History, Jawaharlal Nehru University* Presided by: Prof. Manjiri Kamat,*Department of History, University of Mumbai.*
3rd July 2024	The Twelfth Durga Bhagwat Endowment Lecture Topic: “Peopling of the Indian subcontinent”	Prof. Subhash Walimbe, *Retd. Faculty, Deccan College PGRI (Deemed University), Pune.* Presided by: Prof. Mayank N. Vahia, *Retd. Professor of Astronomy and Astrophysics, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.*
3rd September 2024	The 27th Gulestan and Rustom Billimoria Endowment Lecture: Topic: “The Origin and Growth of Astronomy in India”	Prof. Mayank Vahia,*Retd. Professor of Astronomy and Astrophysics, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai.* Presided by: Dr. Kurush F Dalal,*Director, INSTUCEN School of Archaeology, Mumbai*

24th October, 2024	The 31st Justice K.T. Telang Memorial Lecture: Topic: "Multiple temple traditions in Tamil Nadu"	Dr. Pradeep Chakravarthy Presided by: Dr. Paul Abraham, *Founder, Sarmaya Arts Foundation (SARMAYA)*
11th December 2024	The 15th B. G. Deshmukh Endowment Lecture: Topic: "Security: Why is it Critical for Good Governance?"	Shri. Tilak Devasher, *Author & Member, National Security Advisory Board, Former Special Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat* Presided by: Shri. Vappala Balachandran, *Author & Columnist* *Former Special Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat*
9th January 2025	The 35th Smt. Nabadurga Banerji Endowment Lecture: Topic: "The Modern Search for the Buddha's Relics"	Professor Himanshu Prabha Ray, *Author and Historian Tagore National Fellow, Jawaharlal Nehru University* Presided by: Dr. Suraj Pandit, *Professor, Ancient Indian Culture and Archaeology, Sathaye College*
18th February 2025	19th Dr Mani Kamerkar Endowment Lecture: **Topic:** "A Diaspora Purana: The Figure of the Migrant and the Epic of Indian Indenture"	Professor Vinay Lal, *Professor of History and Asian American Studies, UCLA; Fellow, Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study, South Africa, 2024; & Fulbright-Nehru Academic and Professional Excellence Fellowship Holder, India, 2025* **Presided by:** Professor Ashwani Kumar *Poet & Professor at Tata Institute of Social Sciences & Formerly Visiting Fellow at London School of Economics*
26th March, 2025	The 13th Durga Bhagwat Endowment Lecture Topic: "Applications of Science in Archaeology with special emphasis on Ceramic Petrology"	Prof. K. Krishnan, Ph.D. (Retd.), *Head, Department of Archaeology and Ancient History, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda* **Presided by:** Professor K. Ramasubramanian *Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Mumbai,*

The following lectures / seminarcould not be held during the year. However, they will be held in April / May 2025:

1. The Fifth Dr Meera Kosambi Endowment Lecture
2. The 31st Smt. Bansari Sheth Memorial Lecture

The Gulestan and Rustom Billimoria Youth Seminar (which is held once in two years) will be held in 2025-2026.

5.5 **ASM Literary Club (LitClub) Programmes:**
Chairperson: Mrs. Meenal Kshirsagar
Convenor: Mr. Shridhar Naik

This has been a successful year for the Literary Club of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai. During the period, many interesting programmes were held in the Durbar Hall of the Society. These programmes were well attended by members as well as general public. The details of the programmes held are given below:

Date	Topic	Speaker
8th April 2024	Book Launch and Discussion Programme of the book "Recasting the Indosphere: Indic Strategy for Sinic Challenge" *[A Brief Review of Historical Connection of Indic Civilisation with Southeast Asia and Its Implications in Today's Geopolitics]*	Pulind Samant, Life Member of the Society. Presided by Dr. Uttara Sahasrabuddhe, former Head of the Department of Civics & Politics, University of Mumbai.
16th April 2024	"The First World War Adventures of Nariman Karkaria"	In Conversation" with Murali Ranganathan on his translation from the origin of Gujarati
19th June 2024	Book Discussion around "Embrace the Future"	R. Gopalakrishnan & Hrishi Bhattacharyya
1st August 2024	Book Discussion Programme on the book "Camouflaged: Forgotten Stories from Battlefields"	Probal Das Gupta
5th September 2024	"Tilak: The Empire's Biggest Enemy"	Discussion on the book between the author Vaibhav Purandare and journalist Madhavankutty Pillai
16th December 2024	**Commemorating Nissim Ezekiel:** A programme of poetry reading and reminiscing about the renowned poet, playwright and professor, Nissim Ezekiel, "the Father of post-colonial Indian writing in English," whose 100th birth anniversary falls on 16th December.	
20th January 2025	Discussion around the autobiographical book "Knife: Meditations After an Attempted Murder" by Salman Rushdie	
14th February 2025	**Poetry recitation and enactment: "**Bringing to Life the Poetry of Udayan Thakker", the renowned Gujarati poet. The translations in Hindi and English were also presented.	Poems recited by the poet and enacted by Ms. Meenal Patel.

25th February 2025	**Marathi Book Launch and Discussion Programme:** **पेरिप्लसऑफहिंदुस्थान** **(हिंदुस्थानचीप्रदक्षिणा)**	Ms. Sunanda Bhosekar, a Life Member of our Society Introductory speech by publishers, Granthali – Sudesh Hinglaspurkar, *Trustee* Introduction of the book by Sunanda Bhosekar Speaker Nilu Damle, *a well-known Marathi writer, senior journalist, international observer and critic.* Speaker: Ujwala Patil-Dhar, *the first Indian woman to sail around the world in a yacht.* Speaker: Vidyadhar Amrute, *Retired Professor of Geography, Sathye College, Vile Parle*. Speech by the Chairperson: Kumar Ketkar, *Indian writer, senior journalist and former Member of Parliament.*
5th March 2025	**Book presentation:** Presentation of the book "The Other Mohan in Britain's Indian Ocean Empire"	Amrita Shah, author
18th March, 2025	Lit Club introduces Aditya Chatterjee, who delivered **excerpts from the new book "The Evolution of Our Gods."** The event started with unveiling the book to members of the Society and other visitors.	Aditya Chatterjee, author

5.6 The Mumbai Research Centre
Chairperson: Dr Shehernaz Nalwalla
Convenor: Mr. Nobby Pariyaram

From 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025, the Mumbai Research Centre held 08 meetings in the Online and Off-line mode. The Mumbai Research Centre organized the following programmes:

Talks in the Durbar Hall:

1	2nd April 2024	Weaves of Tradition	Savitha Suri
2	2nd April 2024	Myths and folktales of the metropolis - Part 1	*Arundhuti Dasgupta and Utkarsh Patel)*
3	9th May 2024	"Indian Navy @ 75" (Overview of the Indian Navy's Growth and Development from 1947 to 2024 & its connection with Mumbai)	Cmde Srikant Kesnur
4	5th August 2024	Mythical Mumbai - Part 2 Myth, Legend and folklore around Mumbai	Arundhuti Dasgupta and Utkarsh Patel
5	31st August 2024	Mythical Mumbai - Part 3 Folklores, Legends & Myths of the Metropolis - Buddhist & Jaina Myths	Arundhati Dasgupta and Utkarsh Patel

6	5th November 2024	The Secrets of Bombay Dockyard: Shipbuilding and Ship Repair at the Bombay Dockyard in the 18th and 19th Centuries and the Wadia Shipbuilders"	Cdr Ninad Phatarphekar (Retd.)
7	8th November 2024	Getting to Know Ardeshir Irani	Dr. Narendra Panjwani
8	16th November 2024	Naval Uprising of February 1946: The Last War of Independence?	Cmd Srikant Kesnur
9	7th December 2024	**Talk and exhibition:** Parsi Artistry Salon: Kambat to Canton – Celebrating Maritime Trade influences on Parsee Textile & Gastronomy	Tinaz Nooshian, Textiles chronicler.
10	20th December 2024	John Lockwood Kipling: From Burslem to Bombay and back again	Sharon Irani

Musical event:

1	8th June 2024	Ameen Sayani, a Tribute to a Legend.	Concept and Presentation Manek Premchand
2	21st September 2024	Mehfil-e-Talat – A tribute to Padmabhushan Talat Mahmood on his birth centenary.	Audio-visual presentation by Dr. Prakash Joshi
3	15th February 2025	"The Greatest Showman - Raj Kapoor: Remembering him on his Birth Centenary"	Audio-Visual Presentation by Dr. Prakash Joshi

Book Release Function:

1	23rd August 2024	The Historiography of Sri Bimbakhyana - The Dark Phase of the Medieval History of Mumbai.	Sandeep Dahisarkar, Archaeologist & Author

Walks / Visits

1	26th May 2024	The Naval Dockyard of Mumbai, highlighting the rich history of the Indian Navy.	This event was facilitated by the Flag Officer Commander-Chief of the Western Naval Command.
2	1st June 2024	Resonance of Light: A Stroll Amidst Afghan Church and its historic stained glass treasures	Kirtida Unwalla and Sharon Irani
3	2nd June 2024	INS Angre Complex: Highlighting the rich history of the Indian Navy.	Flag Officer Commander-in-Chief of the Western Naval Command.
4	6th July 2024	Heritage Gallery of The Bank of India	R Venkatesh
5	26th July 2024	Cipla Archives	Candida Remedios
6	10th August 2024	Haffkine Institute, Parel	Pradeep Jadhav
7	21st September 2024	Jama Masjid Walk	Ar. Kirtida Unwalla

8	5th October 2024	The Legacy of H T Parekh: A retrospective and exclusive guided visit to the H T Parekh Legacy Centre	R. Venkatesh
9	27th December 2024	Home Hearth & Holiday Cheer: A Heritage experience of Khotachiwadi	Dr. Andre Baptista
10	28th December 2024	Textile Heritage Walk to Mulji Jetha Market	Savitha Suri
11	11th January 2025	Footnotes at King's Circle: A Footpath Bookshop Walk	C. Gopal
12	23rd February 2025	Girgaon Symphonies	Riddhi Joshi
13	24th March 2025 & 26th March 2025	Dawat-e-Bohri Mohalla	Dr. Kurush Dalal
14	29th March 2025	Monument & Memorial: The Story of the Afghan Church	Kirtida Unwalla and Sharon Irani

Art Musings:

1	29th August 2024	Gestalt a Sol exhibition at Apre Art Gallery	Apre Art House by Victor Hazare
2	4th September 2024	Freedom to progress	Walkthrough at the Kamalnayan Bajaj Art Gallery
3	14th November 2024	Lament Traces	Walkthrough of exhibition at Apre Art House by Manan Shah
4	13th December 2024	Documenting a changing Bombay: Kaali Peeli Cinema & Architecture – A Conversation	Conversation with Fawzan Hussain, Hemant Chaturvedi, Nikhil Manashur Moderated by: Prerana Jain, at Apre Art Gallery
5	30th December 2024	A Walkthrough of Ravi Verma's Lithographs at Dilip Piramal Art Gallery, NCPA.	An evening with Renu Parekh, Amar Reddy and Sandeep Dahisarkar
6	11th January 2025	Once upon a time in Mumbai – DAG Art Gallery	
7	14th February 2025	Special walkthrough of Sarmaya's Art Exhibition: "High Seas, Open Roads"	Sarmaya Art Gallery
8	15th February 2025	Artist walkthrough of a ceramic exhibition at Apre Art House	Sarban Chowdhury
9	18th February 2025	Radio Ceylon Paintings – Vol. 1: Showcasing the artworks of Atul Dodhiya - Art Walk at Chemould Prescott Road	Atul Dodhiy

Bombay Booked:

1	31st May 2024	“Dongri to Dubai, Six Decades of the Mumbai Mafia”	Author, Hussain Zaidi in conversation with Anurag Kashyap
2	27th June 2024	'Multiplicities: Urban cultures of the Mumbai Metropolitan Region'	Author, Dr. Neera Adarkar & Dr. Suraj Pandit in conversation with Dr. Mitra Mukherjee Parikh
3	18th October 2024	Jashn-e-Talat: Celebrating 100 years of Talat Mehmood	Sahar Zaman and Dhiraj Singh
4	11th November 2024	Raghoba: The Assassination of Narayan Rao Peshwa.	Author, Cdr Dr Uday S. Kulkarni Chair: Mr Narendra Murkumbi
5	15th January 2025	The Gujaratis: A Portrait of a Community.	Author,Salil Tripathi in conversation with Sharon Irani
6	7th February 2025	The Uncomfortable Question: Can Mumbai's indie bookstores survive?	Tinaz Nooshian, Amrita Somaiya and Ahalya Naidu in conversation.
7	17th February 2025	IRU - The Remarkable Life of Irawati Karve.	Dr Kamala Ganesh, eminent sociologist, in conversation with the authors, Urmilla Deshpande & Dr Thiago Pinto Barbosa. The event was followed by a musical performance by Tissa Khosla
8	28th February 2025	The Third Battle of Panipat: The Why, The How, and Its Aftermath	Cdr. Uday S. Kulkarni (Retd.) Chair: Dr. Varsha S. Shirgaonkar
9	7th March 2025	Muses over Mumbai	Author, Murzban F. Shroff in conversation with Sidharth Bhatia
10	17th March 2025	Shantaram Chalichi Smranagatha	Discussion with Amey Joshi Moderated by R.J. Ganesh Achawal

Collaborative programmes:

1	22nd June 2024	“Gateways to the Sea” (Historical Ports and Docks of Mumbai Region) celebrating the Rich Maritime History of Mumbai Region.	Book launch MRC and The Maritime Mumbai Museum Society

The Mumbai Research Centre is proud to announce that Vol. 92 for 2019 of the ASM Journal was conceived by the Mumbai Research Centre of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai after conducting a seminar on 17th & 18th December 2019 and a 5-lecture series on Water Management held from 22nd to 30th July 2020.

5.7 **Events and Souvenir Committee**
Chairperson: Rajan Jayakar
Convenor: Pooja Mahurkar

Ms. Shabnam Minwalla was appointed as the author of the Pictorial History of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai and a MoU was signed with her. After contacting different publishing houses, it was decided that MARG would be appointed as the Publishers.

It was decided to participate in the Tata Mumbai Marathon 2025 on a much larger scale as compared to 2024 when we participated in this annual event for the first time. To register and to make our donor page live, we needed to submit our audited financial documents for the Assessment year 2024-25 before their cut off dates.It was TMM's Silver Jubilee year and they were conducting it on a much larger scale and their running bibs were sold out much before their own cut off dates. In spite of our persuasion regarding the submission of the relevant documents required for participation, the organisers did not accede to our request and we could not participate in the Marathon event.

5.8 **ASM JOURNAL**
Chairperson: Professor Usha R Vijailakshmi
Convenor: Dr. Madhavi Narsalay

The Journal Committee released Volume 92 of 2019 which is a special volume on Water Management in the Bombay Presidency. The journal is indexed in UGC Care List. It was released on the Foundation Day of the Society. The details are given below:

Sl. No.	Volume No. & Year	Theme of the Special Volume	Editors	Status
01	Volume 92 of 2019	Water Management in Bombay Presidency	Dr. Madhu Kelkar Professor Usha R Vijailakshmi	The Journal was released on 26th November 2024 by Prof. Balachandra Mungekar, Chairman of Board of Trustees of the Asiatic Society

The Committee in its first meeting of the year on 26th December 2024 framed the SOP for the functioning of the Committee. In that it emphasized the role of the members, convener and the Chairperson. The committee decided to bring out a few special volumes along with the regular volume to fill the backlog created in the previous years.

5.9 **RESEARCH, SCHOLARSHIP & MEDALS COMMITTEE:**
Chairperson: Prof. Usha R Vijailakshmi
Chairperson : I/C- Prof. Varsha Shirgaonkar (March-May 2024)
Convener: Dr. Kunda P.N. (April-December 2024)
Convener: Prof. Varsha Shirgaonkar Since December 2024
The Research, Scholarship & Medals Committee finalised the modalities of pursuing research, for the scholars and the guidelines for the Committee, in the latter half of 2024. Due to its decision to combine

the years of fellowship to augment more funds for each scholarship, many candidates had applied for the Research Scholarships of the year 2024-25. The Committee scrutinised the proposals and shortlisted the suitable candidates for an interview. It then interviewed and selected seven candidates as recipients of various scholarships.

The Committee conducted the six-monthly viva for the three scholars who were selected for the year 2023-24. It gave detailed suggestions to the candidates to successfully complete their research. All candidates submitted their pre-final draft by the end of March 2025. The Committee appointed reviewers to review the drafts. Once the candidates incorporate the suggestions given by the reviewers, their research would be deemed complete.

The Committee revised the educational qualifications for the candidates applying for the research scholarships. It was decided that the candidates who applied should have either registered for a Ph.D. programme or should have five years' experience in the field allied to the research scholarship.

6. TAGORE FELLOWSHIP / SCHOLARSHIP:

No application was received for the Tagore Fellowship this year.

7. MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 01-04-2024 TO 31-03-2025:

7.1 MEMBERSHIP:

During the year under review, 3 members resigned, 7 expired, while **142** new Members, Reader and Indian Student Members were enrolled. The total number of members as on 31st March, 2025, is **3,638.** The details are shown in the table below: -

Category	As on 01/04/24	New Members	Resign-ation	Death	Transfer of Status	Members deleted under Rule 5 (C)	Total Members as on 31/3/25
Resident-Life (RL)	2,070	42	-	7	+3	-	2,108
Resident (R)	791	41	3	-	-3	-	825
Indian Student Members	216	3	-	-	-	-	219
Reader Membership	276	3	-	-	-	-	279
Non-Resident (NR)	35	3	-	-	-1	-	37
Non-Resident-Life (NRL)	136	2	-	-	+1	-	139
Non-Resident-Non-Borrowing (NRNB)	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Non-Resident -Life-Non-Borrowing (NRLNB)	5	-	-	-	-	-	5
Institutional Members	14	-	-	-	-	-	14
Patron Members	8	-	-	-	-	-	8
Foreign Student Members	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Corporate Long Term	0	-	-	-	-	-	0
Membership Consulate Members	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Donor Members	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Diplomat Members	1	-	-		-	-	1
TOTAL	3,554	95	3	7			3,638

7.2 The Society regrets to record the death of the following members at the time of this report and conveys its sincere sympathy and sense of loss to the bereaved families: -

A. Resident – Life:
1) Dr. Sujata V. Kanhere
2) Mr. Kishore V. Mariwala
3) Ms. Neela V. Upadhye
4) Mr. Shirish B. Patel
5) Mr. Papagudi S. Sankaranarayan
6) Mr. Sanjay Singvi
7) Mr. Iqbal M. Chagla

B. Honorary Fellow: Mr. Shyam Benegal

7.3 The following indicates the attendance of the Members of the Scrutinizing Committee for the meetings held during the period from August 2024 to March 2025 - 8 meetings were held.

SCRUTINIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS (April 2024 – August 2024):

Sr.No.	Names of Members	Attendance	Leave of Absence	Absent	Total
1.	Ms. Anahita Tarapore - Chairperson	4	-	-	4
2.	Adv. Devdatta Malshe - Convenor	4	-	-	4
3.	Mr. Pulind Samant	1	2	1	4
4.	Mr. Ashitosh Bishnoi	2	2	-	4
5.	Mr. Pankaj Samel	3	1	-	4
6.	Mr. Anil W. Sawant	3	1	-	4
7.	Mr. Sachin R. Agarwal	2	2	-	4

SCRUTINIZING COMMITTEE MEMBERS (September 2024 – March 2025)

Sr.No.	Names of Members	Attendance	Leave of Absence	Absent	Total
1.	Ms. Anahita Tarapore - Chairperson	4	-	-	4
2.	Adv. Devdatta Malshe - Convenor	4	-	-	4
3.	Mr. Pankaj V. Samel	2	2	-	4
4.	Mr. Anil W. Sawant	4	-	-	4
5.	Ms. Vaijayanthi M. Chakravarthy	4	-	-	4
6.	Mr. Abhijit A. Mulye	4	-	-	4
7.	Mr. Dhairya K. Vyas	4	-	-	4

8. MANAGING COMMITTEE

The Managing Committee of the Society consists of 21 members headed by a Chairperson. In addition to the above, there is a Staff Representative, and one Nominee each from the Government of India (Ministry of Culture) and the Government of Maharashtra (Directorate of Libraries). Further one Ex-Officio Member was appointed as the Hon. Finance Secretary.

The following indicates the attendance of the members at the Managing Committee meetings during the period from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025: (25 meetings held – *including Adjourned, Special/Urgent and Online Meetings):*

8.1 1st April 2024 to 9th November 2024

(13 Meetingswere held including 02 Adjuourned meetings out of which 01 Adjourned meeting was held Online

Sr. No	Names of Members	Attendance	Leave of Absence	Absent
1.	Prof. Vispi Balaporia **(President)**	13	-	-
2.	Mrs. Meenal Kshirsagar **(Vice-President)**	12	01	-
3.	Mr. Joy Thomas Kuriappilly **(Vice-President)**	08	05	-
4.	Dr. Shehernaz Nalwalla **(Vice-President)**	13	-	-
5.	Prof Usha R Vijailakshmi **(Vice-President)**	09	04	-
6.	Prof. Mangala Sirdeshpande **(Hon. Secretary**	13	-	-
7.	Ms. Madhavi G. Kamat - **(Hon. Jt. Secretary) w.e.f 10-10-2022**	09	03	01
8.	Dr. Vishnu Kanhere - **(Hon. Finance Secretary) (Ex-Officio w.e.f 10-10-2022)**	05	07	01
9.	Mr. Rajan Jayakar **(Hon. Jt. Finance Secretary) w.e.f 10-10-2022**	05	07	01
10.	Mr. Biplov Belel	06	07	-
11.	Mrs. Sushama V. Dabak	10	03	-
12.	Dr. Nasreen Fazalbhoy	09	03	01
13.	Mr. Digambar Kamble	05	02	06
14.	Adv. Sanjay Kher	09	04	-
15.	Dr. Yasmeen Lukmani	09	03	01
16.	Ms. Shormistha Mukherjee	07	06	-
17.	Mr. Vithal Nadkarni	07	06	-
18.	Ms. Renu Parekh	08	04	01
19.	Dr. Kunda P.N.	08	05	-
20.	Mr. Nobby Pariyaram	07	05	01
21.	Mr. Jaywant K. Patil	02	11	-
22.	Mr. C. M. Paulsil	06	01	06
23.	**ASM – Employees' Representative** - Mr. Sunil Bhirud	12	01	-
24.	**Central Government Nominee:** The Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India	-	-	-
25.	**State Government Nominee:** - Shri Ashok M. Gadekar, Director (I/C)- (w.e.f. 20/12/2023) Director, Director of Libraries, Govt. of Maharashtra	-	-	-

8.2 10th November 2024 to 31st March 2025

(12 Meetings were held including 03 Adjourned meetings, 03 Special meetings - out of which 03 meetings were held Online)

Sr. No	Names of Members	Attendance	Leave of Absence	Absent
1.	Prof. Vispi Balaporia **(President)**	12	-	-
2.	Mrs. Meenal Kshirsagar **(Vice-President)**	12	-	-
3.	Mr. Joy Thomas Kuriappilly **(Vice-President)**	10	01	01
4.	Dr. Shehernaz Nalwalla (Vice-President)	12	-	-
5.	Prof Usha R Vijailakshmi (Vice-President)	06	06	-
6.	Prof. Mangala Sirdeshpande (Hon. Secretary	12	-	-
7.	Ms. Madhavi G. Kamat - **(Hon. Jt. Secretary) w.e.f 10-10-2022**	08	04	-
8.	Mr. Mayur Mehta - **(Hon. Finance Secretary) (Ex-Officio) w.e.f 10-10-2022. However, resigned in December 2024)**	01	-	-
9.	Mr. Rajan Jayakar **(Hon. Jt. Finance Secretary)w.e.f 10-10-2022**	-	06	06
10.	Mr. Biplov Belel	02	09	01
11.	Mr. Mandar Bharde	08	02	02
12.	Mrs. Sushama V. Dabak	08	04	-
13.	Mr. Vivek V. Ganpule	12	-	-
14.	Mr. Digambar Kamble	10	-	02
15.	Mr. Kumar Ketkar	08	04	-
16.	Adv. Sanjay Kher	05	05	02
17.	Mr. Surendra Kulkarni **(Hon. Fin. Secretary w.e.f. 28-01-2025 –Resigned as HFS on 06-02-2025)**	06	03	03
18.	Ms. Shormistha Mukherjee	03	07	02
19.	Dr. Kunda P.N.	09	02	01
20.	Mr. Vithal Nadkarni	06	03	03
21.	Prof. Suraj Pandit	05	05	02
22.	Mr. Nobby Pariyaram	07	05	-
23.	**ASM – Employees' Representative** - Mr. Sunil Bhirud	12	-	-
24.	**Central Government Nominee:** *The Joint Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Government of India*	-	-	-
25.	**State Government Nominee:** - *Shri Ashok M. Gadekar, Director (I/C)- (w.e.f. 20/12/2023) Director, Director of Libraries, Govt. of Maharashtra*	-	-	-

9. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

There are several Sub-Committees constituted by the Managing Committee to to organise various activities of the Society. The following meetings were held by the Managing Committee and the Sub Committees of the Society during the year under review:

(From 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

Sr. No.	Committee Meetings	No. of meetings held
1.	Managing Committee	25
2.	Finance and Investment Committee	10
3.	Book Selection Committee	07 + 01 (Online Meeting)+03 meetings of Small Committee for donated books)
4.	Periodicals Committee meeting	04
5.	Endowment Lectures Committee	04
6.	MM Dr. P.V. Kane Institute for Post-Graduate Studies and Research Committee	01
7.	Research Fellowships & Medals Committee	05
8.	Journal Committee	03
9.	ASM Literary Club	03
10.	Mumbai Research Centre	08
11.	Staff Welfare Committee	01
12.	Publications Committee	01
13.	Dr Aroon Tikekar Centre for Advanced Studies	05
14.	Library Administration Committee	No meetings were held
15.	Library Digitisation Project Committee (Phase II)	No meetings were held
16.	Events Organisation & Souvenir Committee	04

10. LIBRARY SERVICES & BOOK SELECTION:

Chairperson: Dr Shehernaz Nalwalla

Convenor : Ms. Renu Parekh

10.1 Regular updates were sent to Members by e-mail including Thursday Books Display Lists and list of issuable periodicals.

A. During the year, **1581** books + **108** bound volumes were added to the Library. The details are given below:
- **799** books have been purchased and **782** books were received gratis. and **108** bound volumes of periodicals were added to the collection.

Thus, the total number of books and bound volumes of periodicals as on **31st March, 2025 is 2,65,882.**

C/F : Total number of books and periodicals as on 31st March, 2024		**2,64,193**
Total number of books + bound volumes of periodicals added as on 31st March, 2025	**1,689**	
Total number of books + bound volumes of periodicals as on 31st March, 2025		**2,65,882**

10.2 List of book donors:

The Society expresses its grateful appreciation to the following donors for presenting books to the Library:

A) Individuals:

Sr. No.	Name
1)	Ms. Anita Patel
2)	Mr. Siddharth Bhatia
3)	Mr. Rusi J. Daruwala
4)	Dr. Meena Vaishampayan
5)	Dr. Jigar M. Bhatt
6)	Mr. Shapoor P. Mistry
7)	Ms. Anju Makhija
8)	Dr. Paridah Abd Samad
9)	Mr. P.B. Sawant
10)	Dr. Rajendra Sanjay
11)	Ms. Sumita Anand Joshi
12)	Ms. Mridula Ramanna
13)	Mr. B.V. Kumar
14)	Mrs. Meenal Kshirsagar
15)	Ms. Anagha Kamble
16)	Mr. G. Selvaraj
17)	Dr. Braj Kishore Swain
18)	Mr. Kishore Kumar Theckedath
19)	Ms. Tulsi Vatsal
20)	Ms. Jinah Kim
21)	Ms. Uttara Sahasrabuddhe
22)	Dr. Niralee Shah
23)	Mr. Hriday Narain
24)	Mr. Nagesh Dhawade
25)	Mr. Anura Manatunga
26)	Mr. Suhas Bahulkar

Sr. No.	Name
27)	Mr. Gopal Krishna Kanhere
28)	Mr. Arun R. Godbole
29)	Mr. R.D. Jadhav
30)	Ms. Minaxi Kamath
31)	Mr. Girish J. Veera
32)	Dr. Shehernaz Nalwalla
33)	Dr. Yasmeen Lukmani
34)	Mrs. Alfreda Ohol
35)	L.R. Manavati
36)	Dr. Subhadra Anand
37)	Mr. Ratnakar D. Bhelkar
38)	Mr. Ramkrishna Das
39)	Ms. Neelima Bhave
40)	Dr. Varsha Shirgaonkar
41)	Mr. Sanjay Gehani
42)	Mr. Jitendra Dixit
43)	S.M. Rai
44)	Mr. Prashant Ganatra
45)	Dr. Ookerjee
46)	Prof. Vispi Balaporia
47)	Ms. Anita Desai
48)	Mr. Aditya Mukherjee
49)	Mr. Yashraj Singh Bundela
50)	Ms. Manjiri Prabhu
51)	Mr. Prakash Chitre
52)	R.N. Karani

B) Institutions:

Sr. No.	Name
1)	Wilson College English Department
2)	Delhi Library Board
3)	CSMVS Museum
4)	M.K. Ghiya Charities
5)	Kalakshetra Foundation

Sr. No.	Name
6)	Bodhmarga Foundation
7)	Lakhan Prakashan
8)	Kitab Ghar Prakashan
9)	Trek the Himalayas

10.3 Periodicals Department:

Chairperson: Prof. Usha R Vijailakshmi
Convenor: Ms. Prakriti Sharan

10.3-1 During the year, **108** bound volumes were added to the Library. Regular updates were sent to Members by e-mail including Thursday Books Display Lists and list of issuable periodicals.

10.3-2 **Purchased daily newspapers:**

Combined offer of Times of India with Economic Times, (Mumbai Mirror only on Sunday) started from 27th December 2020 continues for 2024 – 2025.

The Society subscribes to 12 Daily Newspapers. The languagewise break-up is as follows:

English	:	Times of India, Business Standard, Economic Times, Hindu, Hindustan Times, Indian Express are received in the Library.
Hindi/Marathi	:	**Hindi :** Navbharat Times **/ Marathi :** Loksatta, Maharashtra Times, Samana and Pudhari
Gujarati	:	Divya Bhaskar

10.3-3 **Periodicals**

A. The number of subscribed periodicals during the year was 43. In addition, 30 periodicals were received in exchange of the Society's Journal and 16 periodicals were received as gratis. The details are given below: -

Periodicals approved for subscription 2024- 2025	
Subscribed Directly from Sage and other publishers	28 titles
Subscribed through Allied publishers and Subscription Agency	11 titles
Subscribed through SBP Info bytes Pvt. Limited	4 titles
Total approved for purchase	**43 titles**

Exchange and Gratis	
Gratis (Periodicals and newsletters)	16 titles
Exchange (in lieu of Society's Journal)	30 titles
Total:	**46 titles**

The number of bound volumes of periodicals accessioned is 108.

B. **Periodicals received gratis:**

The following periodicals were received gratis by the Society:

S.N.	Titles
1	Prabuddha Bharata or Awakened India.
2	CSMVS Research Journal

C. **List of donors of periodicals:**

Individual donors (Members and Non-members):

S.N.	Name of the Medals	Awardees
1	Dr. T.A. Srikanth	Prabuddha Bharata or Awakened India- (for the period May2009 – April 2029.)
2	CSMVS	CSMVS Research Journal 21-22

D. JSTOR

The Asiatic Society started subscribing to JSTOR- full text online archives of journals from 2010 and it is becoming popular among the members. The total number of full-text journal articles requested for the period January – December 2024 is 1,671 downloads.

10.4 Book Lending (Issue) Section:

During the year, 6,272 books (4,988old and 1,284new) and 675 periodicals (magazines) were issued to the members.

248 visitors under Daily Membership category were given reference facility on the premises. 13 foreign scholars visited the Library under the Daily Membership Category.

11. PRESERVATION & CONSERVATION

A. Conservation Section:

Following are the details of work done in the Conservation Laboratory from April 2024 to March 2025: -

Month	Fumigation	Deacidification	Lining	Total Books Conserved
April to June	280 Books	6,028 (oversize pages & maps)	5,972 pages & 58 maps	5 books (General Report on the Operations of the Great Survey of India 1878-88)
July to September	415 Books	5,795 (oversize pages & maps)	5,624 pages & 46 maps	5 books (General Report on the Operations of the Great Survey of India 1889-1894)
October to December	380 Books	8,758 pages	8,642 pages	26 Books
January to March	395 Books	8,502 pages	8,438 pages	24 Books
Total	**1470 Books**	**29,083 pages**	**28,676 pages & 104 maps**	**60 Books & 104 Maps**
Binding	**143 Books**			

12 BINDERY SECTION

During the year under review, a total of 1,757 books were completely bound in the Book Binding Department. This was apart from the routine work of stitching and pinning 4,344 newspapers, made 36 boxes; repairing books and files, pasting, packing and parcelling; and also made leather folders for the Honorary Fellowship/Medals function.

Besides this, a total of 12 Times of India (Year 2011) newspaper files were pasted and bound; 119 periodicals were bound and gold embossed; Membership forms (in 30 volumes) were bound and gold embossed; and 18 minutes books and rare books of the Society were leather bound and gold embossed.

13. FINANCES

The Asiatic Society of Mumbai was established on 26th November 1804, by Sir James Mackintosh for the promotion of higher education and research. The Society has been partly funded by the Government of India, Ministry of Culture, Government of Maharashtra, Department of Higher and Technical Education, and Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. The Society's own sources of income are interest and dividends from Corpus and Reserve Fund investments, general donations, earmarked donations, membership subscriptions, fines on books and periodicals, income from miscellaneous items like sale of publications, journals, souvenirs, etc. However, the financial position of the Society is quite precarious due to limited sources of income, decline in interest rates, and increasing recurring expenditure.

The Society has approached Government of India, Ministry of Culture for a one- time Corpus Grant of Rs.30 Crore (out of which we have received Rs.5 Crore) and Government of Maharashtra, Department of Higher and Technical Education for a one-time Corpus grant of Rs.20 Crore, as recommended by the Review Committee, appointed by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India. However, a positive response is awaited.

During the year, the Society succeeded in receiving the sanctioned annual recurring grant of Rs.1 Crore from Government of Maharashtra, Department of Higher and Technical Education & Rs. 75 Lakhs from the BMC.

The Society has also requested both the Central and the State Government to increase its Grant by Rs.1 Crore to run the Society efficiently.

The Review Committee appointed by the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, has noted the historic significance of the Society and stated that the Asiatic Society of Mumbai deserves to be designated as an “Institutional of National Importance”, while ensuring its autonomy over planning and financing of expenditure and management.

The Society is intensifying its efforts for donations from philanthropists, corporate houses, endowments, CSR funds, etc. for overall maintenance and development of the Society.

14. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We appreciate the financial assistance received from the Ministry of Culture, New Delhi, in the form an annual grant of Rs. One crore.

The Hon'ble Governor of Maharashtra and Chief Patron of the Society, Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan for support to the Asiatic Society of Mumbai.

We are thankful to the Government of Maharashtra for acceding to our appeal for financial aid in managing the affairs of the Society, and for agreeing to a recurring annual grant of Rupees One crore from the financial year 2024-2025.

We are deeply obliged to the BMC for acceding to our request and sanctioning a grant of Rupees 75 lakh to the Society.

The Rotary Club of Bombay, The K.B. Doctor Trust, Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Charity Fund and the Cawasjee Muncherjee Banajee Charity Trust for their continued support.

We are thankful to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya and the Y.B. Chavan Centre for inviting us to participate in their events and programmes.

We thank our statutory auditors as well as our staff members for their continuous hard work for the Society. Finally, we are thankful to our members for their regular participation in the events and programmes of the Society.

On behalf of the Managing Committee

Prof. Vispi R. Balaporia	**Prof. Mangala Sirdeshpande**
President	**Hon. Secretary**

THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI
FINANCIAL REVIEW

1. Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 March, 2025 shows a Surplus of Rs.43,70,321 /- after providing for a sum of Rs. 43,40,618/- towards depreciation.
2. Summarized Income & Expenditure account for the Year Ended 31 March 2025 is as, follows:

Particulars		Current Year Rupees	Previous year Rupees
Income			
Income from investment of Corpus Fund		83,03,818	82,57,863
Income from investment of Reserve Fund		5,36,512	4,98,061
Interest on Saving Account		4,01,167	2,01,778
	A :	**92,41,497**	**89,57,702**
Income from membership subscription and other income		29,36,029	31,24,226
Grant from GOI /MCGM/GOM		2,75,00,000	2,50,00,000
Income from sale of ASM Journal		35,822	92,950
Income from donations		21,70,530	18,85,730
	B:	3,26,42,381	3,01,02,906
Total	**A + B**	**4,19,71,612**	**3,90,60,608**
Expenditure		75,44,197	76,48,840
Staff salaries & allowances		52,62,668	53,40,626
General Expenses		**1,28,06,847**	**1,29,89,466**
Expenses on objects of the trust :			
Subscription to periodicals		9,08,519	5,89,515
Salary Purchase and Processing of Periodicals		38,61,748	36,69,547
Salary Purchase of Books		57,70,599	55,01,671
Salary & Expenditure on Conservation Laboratory		36,82,761	41,32,747
Salary & Expenditure on Microfilming Laboratory		31,58,931	47,31,120
Other expenditure on object of Trust		29,82,864	30,55,032
	II	**2,03,65,422**	2,16,79,632
Total	I +II	**3,31,72,269**	**3,46,69,098**
Depreciation provided	III	**43,40,618**	**42,68,204**
Opening & Closing Stock Difference		670	2259
Total	I to III	**3,75,13,557**	**3,89,39,561**
Excess of income over expenditure			-
Surplus/Deficit		**43,70,321**	**1,21,047**

3. During the year, the Society has received the Grant-in-aid (General) of Rs. 1,00,00,000 /-, from the Government of India Ministry of Culture, and the grant has been utilized on the following schemes /activities / projects of the society.

No	Particulars	Amount Rs.
1	Salary Purchase and Processing of Periodicals	22,74,372
2	Salary Purchase and Processing of Books	31,85,233
3	Salary Microfilming Laboratory	16,76,544
4	Salary Conservation Laboratory	20,46,859
5	Salary Administration Staff	8,16,992
Total		**1,00,00,000**

4. Income Tax Assessments – Status & Appeals

- Society has received various Income Tax Demand Notices, for the Financial Years 2016-17 (INR. 150,10,340/-), FY 2018-19 (INR. 154,820/-) & FY 2019-20 (INR. 139,20,520/-). The demands were for different reasons, such as, delay in filing of return during COVID period, non-consideration of tax exemption available or not considering certain information provided during appeals etc.
- It was noticed that during the COVID period & subsequently due to demise of Mr. C. G. Mane, Accounts Officer, these notices remained unattended.
- In July 2024, Society has appointed Adv. Vipul Joshi to attend to all these matters including necessary filings. Various filings have since been made for FY 2016-17 including filing of two appeal against Penalty Demands. The appeal preparation including condonation of delay in filing is being under preparation at his office & shall be filed for the other years."

On behalf of the Managing Committee

Prof. Vispi Balaporia
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Hon. Secretary

THE MUMBAI PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950

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Name of the Public Trust : THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI

Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2025

	Schedule	31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Trust Fund and Corpus	1	10,84,69,123	10,84,50,723
Equipment Fund	2	1,39,14,333	1,39,14,333
Manuscripts Fund	3	1,42,552	1,42,552
Reserve Fund	4	1,76,80,478	1,67,83,429
Other Earmarked Funds	5	12,57,10,095	11,90,59,013
Other Liabilities	6	25,66,267	97,77,510
Income & Expenditure Account	7	-59,99,471	-1,03,69,792
Total		**26,24,83,377**	**25,77,57,768**
PROPERTIES AND ASSETS			
Immovable Properties	8	1	1
Movable Properties	9	13,70,59,006	13,59,50,003
Less Accumulated Depreciation		7,27,32,180	6,83,91,562
Net Block of Movable Properties		**6,43,26,826**	**6,75,58,441**
Investments	10	17,75,65,401	17,15,19,786
Deposits, Advances & Stocks	11	21,60,430	21,58,401
Income Accrued & Outstanding	12	91,01,488	74,09,925
Cash & Bank Balances	13	93,29,231	91,11,214
Total		**26,24,83,377**	**25,77,57,768**

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Place: Mumbai
Date : 11/09/2025

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Name of the Public Trust : THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI

Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st March 2025

	Schedule	31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
INCOME			
Interest and Dividend	14	92,41,497	89,57,702
Donations & Grants	15	2,96,70,530	2,68,85,730
Income from Other Sources	16	29,71,851	32,17,176
Closing Stocks	11D (i)	1,61,973	1,62,643
Total		**4,20,45,851**	**3,92,23,251**
EXPENDITURE			
Opening Stocks	11D (I)	1,62,643	1,64,902
Establishment Expenses	17	75,44,179	76,48,840
General Expenses	18	52,62,668	53,40,626
Expenses on the Objects of the Trust	19	2,03,65,422	2,16,79,632
Depreciation	20	43,40,618	42,68,204
		3,76,75,530	**3,91,02,204**
"Surplus / (Deficit)		43,70,321	1,21,047
Less : Transfer to ASM Development Fund Balance		-	-
Transferred to Income & Expenditure Account		**43,70,321**	**1,21,047**

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THE MUMBAI PUBLIC TRUST ACT, 1950

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Name of the Public Trust : THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI

Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account

SCHEDULE 1 : TRUST FUND AND CORPUS FUND

		31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
A. Trust Fund			
Premises Fund		1	1
Society's contribution in the Prince of Wales Museum		5,000	5,000
Manuscripts Fund		55,000	55,000
Coins Fund		40,000	40,000
Books, Furniture & Fixtures received from the ASM & Central Library on bifurcation"		33,76,795	33,76,795
	A	34,76,796	34,76,796
B. Corpus Fund			
As per last Balance Sheet		10,49,73,927	10,47,57,207
Add : Donations received during the year		-	2,00,000
Add : Entrance Fees received during the year		18,400	16,720
	B	10,49,92,327	10,49,73,927
	A+B	**10,84,69,123**	**10,84,50,723**

SCHEDULE 2 : EQUIPMENT FUND

A. Office Equipment & Furniture Fund			
Grant received from BMC for purchase of computer,		1,38,005	1,38,005
xerox machines		41,000	41,000
Water Cooler		8,000	8,000
Telephone		3,500	3,500
Printing Calculator donated by Dhawale Granth Yatra		60,000	60,000
Filing Cabinet		2,00,000	2,00,000
Donation for xerox machine		3,00,000	3,00,000
Donation for Periodical Racks		2,85,000	2,85,000
Donation for Sound System		35,000	35,000
Donation for Vacuum Cleaner		1,50,000	1,50,000
Donation for Staff Locker		3,00,000	3,00,000
Donation for Furniture		5,00,000	5,00,000
Donation for Data Safe Cabinet		13,56,800	13,56,800
Donation for Lift		70,00,000	70,00,000
Donation for Mobile Shelving System		34,80,623	34,80,623
Donation for Office Furniture	A	1,38,57,928	1,38,57,928

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		31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
B. Library Equipment Fund			
Grant received for purchase of vacuum press		50,000	50,000
Monograph		6,405	6,405
	B	56,405	56,405
	A+B	**1,39,14,333**	**1,39,14,333**
SCHEDULE 3 : MANUSCRIPTS FUND			
(Grant in aid received from the Central Govt. for preservation of M.S.S.)			
As per last Balance Sheet		1,42,552	1,42,552
		1,42,552	**1,42,552**
SCHEDULE 4 : RESERVE FUND			
As per last Balance Sheet		1,67,83,429	1,60,80,752
Add : Life subscriptions received during the year		8,60,000	6,70,000
Interest on Fixed Deposits / Bonds		5,36,512	4,98,061
		1,81,79,941	1,72,48,813
Add : Transfer of interest from the following Funds utilised for the purpose of Purchase of Books :			
Asiatic Society of Mumbai Book Fund		35,124	30,714
Premchand Roychand Book Fund		233	238
M. M. Dr. P. V. Kane Book Fund		539	549
G. D. Gokhale Charitable Trust Book Fund		1153	1,176
		1,82,16,990	1,72,81,490
Less : Interest / Dividend transferred to Income & Expenditure A/c		5,36,512	4,98,061
		1,76,80,478	**1,67,83,429**

THE MUMBAI PUB LIC TRUST ACT, 1950

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Name of the Public Trust : TH E ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI

Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account

SCHEDULE 5 : OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS

Previous years figures in italics (in Rs.)

S. No.	Fund	Opening Balance	Interest	Donations / Transfers	Other Income	Total	Expenditure	Administration Charges @ 10%	Transfers Out	Total Outflow	Closing Balance
	Other Earmarked Funds										
1	Microfilming Laboratory & Book Preservation Fund	**63,83,422** *63,16,724*	**998** *1,019*	**-** -	**15,660** *73,090*	**64,00,080** *63,90,833*	**-** -	**1,666** *7,411*	**-** -	**1,666** *7,411*	**63,98,414** *63,83,422*
2	Book Adoption Scheme Fund	**1,11,23,738** *1,16,51,018*	**4,11,871** *4,20,205*	**8,00,000** *9,70,000*	**-** -	**1,23,35,609** *1,30,41,223*	**4,20,750** *17,78,464*	**1,21,187** *1,39,021*	**-** -	**5,41,937** *19,17,485*	**1,17,93,672** *1,11,23,738*
3	Asiatic Society of Mumbai Book Fund	**21,46,258** *21,49,329*	**1,991** *1,818*	**33,133** *28,896*	**-** -	**21,81,382** *21,80,043*	**-** -	**3,512** *3,071*	**35,124** *30,714*	**38,636** *33,785*	**21,42,746** *21,46,258*
4	Premchand Roychand Book Fund	**4,061** *4,085*	**233** *238*	**-** -	**-** -	**4,294** *4,323*	**-** -	**23** *24*	**233** *238*	**256** *262*	**4,038** *4,061*
5	Dr. B. C. Law Fund	**10,809** *10,809*	**10,809** *10,809*	**-** -	**-** -	**10,809** *10,809*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**10,809** *10,809*
6	"Madon Book Fund Mr. Bejongi Shapurji Madon 5,000 Miss Jerbai Bejonji Madon 5,000 Mr. Kaikushusru Bejonji Madon 5,000 Mr. Ratan Bejonji Madon 5,000 Mr. Jehansbur Bejonji Madon 5,000 Interest / Dividend upto 31.3.2003 15,900	**40,808** *40,808*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**40,808** *40,808*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**40,808** *40,808*
7	M. M. Dr. P. V. Kane Book Fund	**9,579** *9,634*	**539** *549*	**-** -	**-** -	**10,118** *10,183*	**-** -	**54** *55*	**539** *549*	**593** *604*	**9,525** *9,579*
8	Chief Justice Chagla Memorial Book Fund	**35,097** *35,097*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**35,097** *35,097*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**35,097** *35,097*
9	Gift A Book Fund	**1,30,001** *1,30,001*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**1,30,001** *1,30,001*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**1,30,001** *1,30,001*
10	T. C. Parekh Memorial Fund	**69,204** *67,538*	**1,815** *1,851*	**-** -	**-** -	**71,019** *69,389*	**-** -	**182** *185*	**-** -	**182** *185*	**70,837** *69,204*
11	G. D. Gokhale Charitable Trust Book Fund	**1,70,049** *1,70,167*	**1,153** *1,176*	**-** -	**-** -	**1,71,202** *1,71,343*	**-** -	**115** *118*	**1,153** *1,176*	**1,268** *1,294*	**1,69,934** *1,70,049*
12	ASM Publication Fund	**36,65,490** *36,39,216*	**35,302** *31,485*	**-** -	**41,265** -	**37,42,057** *36,70,701*	**543** *2,062*	**7,657** *3,149*	**-** -	**8,200** *5,211*	**37,33,857** *36,65,490*

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Schedules forming part of the Balance Sheet and Income & Expenditure Account

SCHEDULE 5 : OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS

Previous years figures in italics (in Rs.)

S. No.	Fund	Opening Balance	Interest	Donations / Transfers	Other Income	Total	Expenditure	Administration Charges @ 10%	Transfers Out	Total Outflow	Closing Balance
	Other Earmarked Funds										
13	Vimal Shah Memorial Publication Fund	**51,99,395** *50,28,626*	**2,71,297** *2,75,566*	- -	- -	**54,70,692** *53,04,192*	- *77,240*	**27,130** *27,557*	- -	**27,130** *1,04,797*	**54,43,562** *51,99,395*
14	ASM Computerisation Fund	**8,19,623** *8,19,623*	- -	- -	- -	**8,19,623** *8,19,623*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**8,19,623** *8,19,623*
15	ASM Development Fund	**2,17,62,800** *2,17,60,443*	**3,462** *2,619*	- -	- -	**2,17,66,262** *2,17,63,062*	- -	**346** *262*	- -	**346** *262*	**2,17,65,916** *2,17,62,800*
16	"Staff Welfare Fund(a) ASM Staff Welfare Fund(b) Dr. B. R. Rairikar Bi-Centenary Scholarship Fund"	**23,33,440** *22,50,087* **45,068** *45,707*	**30,231** *42,614* **2,190** *2,123*	**1,25,000** *50,000* - -	- - - -	**24,88,671** *23,42,701* **47,258** *47,830*	- - - *2,550*	**15,523** *9,261* **219** *212*	- - - -	**15,523** *9,261* **219** *2,762*	**24,73,148** *23,33,440* **47,039** *45,068*
17	Special Collections Room Fund	**8,10,609** *8,10,609*	- -	- -	- -	**8,10,609** *8,10,609*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**8,10,609** *8,10,609*
18	Compact Book Shelving System Fund	**34,95,498** *34,95,498*	- -	- -	- -	**34,95,498** *34,95,498*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**34,95,498** *34,95,498*
19	ASM The Gulestan and Rustom Billimoria Charity Trust - Project on Parsi Zoroastrian Heritage Fund	**21,49,708** *21,26,424*	**42,188** *35,316*	- -	- -	**21,91,896** *21,61,740*	- *8,500*	**4,219** 3,532	- -	**4,219** *12,032*	**4,219** *12,032*
20	DELNET Project Fund	**2,463** *2,463*	- -	- -	- -	**2,463** *2,463*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**21,87,677** *21,49,708*
21	ASM Bi-Centenary Celebration Fund	**1,07,22,969** *1,04,17,548*	**3,69,800** *3,41,266*	- -	**3,600** -	**1,10,96,369** *1,07,58,814*	**2,234** *1,718*	**37,340** *34,127*	- -	**39,574** *35,845*	**2,463** *2,463*
22	ASM Literary Club Fund	**-1,62,625** *-1,56,133*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**29,165** *6,492*	- -	- -	**29,165** *6,492*	**1,10,56,795** *1,07,22,969*
23	Durbar Hall Renovation / Restoration Fund	**27,31,215** *27,31,215*	- -	- -	- -	**27,31,215** *27,31,215*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**27,31,215** *27,31,215*
24	Mumbai Research Project Fund	**41,86,096** *37,72,251*	**2,08,488** *1,88,806*	- *1,10,000*	**2,68,942** *5,56,902*	**46,63,526** *46,27,959*	**2,49,538** *3,56,292*	**47,743** *85,571*	- -	**2,97,281** *4,41,863*	**43,66,245** *41,86,096*
25 25	(a) Library Digitization Project Fund (b) Library Digitization Project Fund -Phase II	**1,26,71,258** *1,23,54,573* **-16,00,202** *-24,43,080*	**3,18,310** *3,16,685* - -	- - **1,29,00,000** *1,00,00,000*	- - - *31,287*	**1,29,89,568** *1,26,71,258* **1,12,99,798** *75,88,207*	- - **1,26,88,584** *91,88,409*	- - - -	- - - -	- - **1,26,88,584** *91,88,409*	**1,29,89,568** *1,26,71,258* **-13,88,786** *-16,00,202*
26	Library Improvement Fund	**39,84,757** *40,42,837*	**14,154** *12,773*	- -	- -	**39,98,911** *40,55,610*	- -	- **1,415** - *1,277*	- -	**16,991** *70,853*	**39,81,920** *39,84,757*
27	Restoration of Maps Project Fund	**10,28,959** *10,28,959*	- -	- -	- -	**10,28,959** *10,28,959*	- -	- - - -	- -	- -	**10,28,959** *10,28,959*

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SCHEDULE 5 : OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS

Previous years figures in italics (in Rs.)

S. No.	Fund	Opening Balance	Interest	Donations / Transfers	Other Income	Total	Expenditure	Administration Charges @ 10%	Transfers Out	Total Outflow	Closing Balance
28	Optical Fibre Fund	**13,65,353** *13,35,668*	**39,140** *32,983*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**14,04,493** *13,68,651*	**-** *-*	**3,914** *3,298*	**-** *-*	**3,914** *3,298*	**14,00,579** *13,65,353*
29	Restoration of Statues Project Fund	**1,93,755** *1,71,004*	**29,457** *25,279*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**2,23,212** *1,96,283*	**-** *-*	**2,946** *2,528*	**-** *-*	**2,946** *2,528*	**2,20,266** *1,93,755*
30	ASM Purchase of Books Fund	**5,61,104** *5,38,599*	**28,581** *25,006*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**5,89,685** *5,63,605*	**-** *-*	**2,858** *2,501*	**-** *-*	**2,858** *2,501*	**5,86,827** *5,61,104*
31	M. M. Dr. P. V. Kane Commemorative Postal Stamp Fund	**6,09,284** *6,09,284*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**6,09,284** *6,09,284*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**6,09,284** *6,09,284*
32	Art Restoration Fund	**1,26,991** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *2,30,000*	**-** *-*	**1,26,991** *2,30,000*	**-** *80,009*	**-** *23,000*	**-** *-*	**-** *1,03,009*	**1,26,991** *1,26,991*
33	Pictorial Book Publication Fund	**13,51,457** *-*	**2,68,336** *1,619*	**35,00,000** *15,00,000*	**-** *-*	**51,19,793** *15,01,619*	**-** *-*	**3,76,834** *1,50,162*	**-** *-*	**3,76,834** *1,50,162*	**47,42,959** *13,51,457*
Endowments/Memorial Lectures/Fellowship Funds											
1	Gulestan Billimoria Annual Youth Seminar	**58,841** *66,035*	**11,003** *8,942*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**69,844** *74,977*	**-** *6,300*	**1,100** *894*	**11,003** *8,942*	**12,103** *16,136*	**57,741** *58,841*
2	ASM Fund for Centre for Labour Studies in memory of Four Trade Union Leaders	**13,25,402** *12,75,434*	**94,569** *74,409*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**14,19,971** *13,49,843*	**-** *17,000*	**9,457** *7,441*	**-** *-*	**9,457** *24,441*	**14,10,514** *13,25,402*
3	Indal Fellowship Fund	**1,67,066** *1,77,567*	**1,871** *1,666*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**1,68,937** *1,79,233*	**4,800** *12,000*	**187** *167*	**-** *-*	**4,987** *12,167*	**1,63,950** *1,67,066*
4	Chief Justice Chagla Memorial Fellowship Fund	**12,83,946** *12,59,396*	**81,574** *71,722*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**13,65,520** *13,31,118*	**4,000** *40,000*	**8,157** *7,172*	**-** *-*	**12,157** *47,172*	**13,53,363** *12,83,946*
5	M. M. Dr. P. V. Kane Gold Medal Fund	**31,274** *30,554*	**1,016** *800*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**32,290** *31,354*	**-** *-*	**102** *80*	**-** *-*	**102** *80*	**32,188** *31,274*
6	Campbell Gold Medal Fund	**42,176** *40,216*	**2,479** *2,178*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**44,655** *42,394*	**-** *-*	**248** *218*	**-** *-*	**248** *218*	**44,407** *42,176*
7	Pohekar Fellowship Fund for Japanese Studies	**4,92,095** *4,71,908*	**25,476** *22,430*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**5,17,571** *4,94,338*	**-** *-*	**2,548** *2,243*	**-** *-*	**2,548** *2,243*	**5,15,023** *4,92,095*
8	Smt. Nabadurga Banerjee Memorial Lecture Fund	**6,94,063** *6,84,913*	**35,488** *44,278*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**7,29,551** *7,29,191*	**1 2,720** *30,700*	**3,549** *4,428*	**-** *-*	**16,269** *35,128*	**7,13,282** *6,94,063*
9	Smt. Bansari K. Sheth Memorial Lecture Fund	**5,46,267** *5,66,274*	**22,289** *18,317*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**5,68,556** *5,84,591*	**-** *36,492*	**2,229** *1,832*	**-** *-*	**2,229** **38,324**	**5,66,327** *5,46,267*
10	Justice K. T. Telang Memorial Lecture and Fellowship Fund	**10,14,903** *10,43,690*	**50,974** *44,455*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**10,65,877** *10,88,145*	**-** *39,900*	**5,097** *4,446*	**33,133** ***28,896***	**38,230** *73,242*	**10,27,647** *10,14,903*
11	Gulestan Billimoria Memorial Lecture Fund	**9,69,689** *9,30,033*	**42,401** *35,120*	**11,003** *8,942*	**-** *-*	**10,23,093** *9,74,095*	**3,600** *-*	**5,340** *4,406*	**-** *-*	**8,940** *4,406*	**10,14,153** *9,69,689*

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SCHEDULE 5 : OTHER EARMARKED FUNDS

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S. No.	Fund	Opening Balance	Interest	Donations / Transfers	Other Income	Total	Expenditure	Administration Charges @ 10%	Transfers Out	Total Outflow	Closing Balance
12	Dr. L. B. Kenny Lecture / Seminar Fund	**1,39,441** *1,48,394*	**4,553** *4,763*	**-** -	**-** -	**1,43,994** 1,53,157	**-** *13,240*	**455** *476*	**-** -	**455** *13,716*	**1,43,539** *1,39,441*
13	Dr. Mani Kamerkar Memorial Lecture Fund	**11,06,545** *11,29,651*	**13,610** *13,236*	**-** -	**-** -	**11,20,155** *11,42,887*	**6,200** *35,018*	**1,361** *1,324*	**-** -	**7,561** *36,342*	**11,12,594** *11,06,545*
14	Dr. Sheela Raj Memorial Fellowship Fund	**2,86,741** *2,97,476*	**4,250** *4,072*	**-** -	**-** -	**2,90,991** *3,01,548*	**3,200** *14,400*	**425** *407*	**-** -	**3,625** *14,807*	**2,87,366** *2,86,741*
15	B. G. Deshmukh Lecture / Workshop Fund	**18,39,599** *17,71,723*	**1,24,433** *89,262*	**-** -	**-** -	**19,64,032** *18,60,985*	**4,000** *12,460*	**12,443** *8,926*	**-** -	**16,443** *21,386*	**19,47,589** *18,39,599*
16	Durga Bhagwat Memorial Lecture Fund	**6,20,660** *5,96,044*	**28,066** *32,907*	**-** -	**-** -	**6,48,726** *6,28,951*	**10,000** 5,000	**2,807** *3,291*	**-** -	**12,807** *8,291*	**6,35,919** *6,20,660*
17	Prof. Dhirendra Narain Endowment Lecture Fund	**17,14,568** *16,35,711*	**99,745** *87,619*	**-** -	**-** -	**18,14,313** *17,23,330*	**-** -	**9,975** *8,762*	**-** -	**9,975** *8,762*	**18,04,338** *17,14,568*
18	Vimal Shah Memorial Research Fellowship Fund	**13,43,008** *13,90,274*	**91,872** *91,242*	**-** -	**-** -	**14,34,880** *14,81,516*	**4,000** *1,29,384*	**9,187** *9,124*	**-** -	**13,187** *1,38,508*	**14,21,693** *13,43,008*
19	Dr. Aroon Tikekar Memorial Fund	**40,27,120** *40,80,833*	**2,99,993** *2,33,600*	**-** -	**-** -	**43,27,113** *43,14,433*	**54,495** *2,63,953*	**29,999** *23,360*	**-** -	**84,494** *2,87,313*	**42,42,619** *40,27,120*
20	Rajani Dandekar Fellowship Fund	**5,52,398** *5,34,287*	**23,343** *20,123*	**-** -	**-** -	**5,75,741** *5,54,410*	**4,500** -	**2,334** *2,012*	**-** -	**6,834** *2,012*	**5,68,907** *5,52,398*
21	Jayant and Devangana Desai Fellowship Fund	**13,37,371** *12,66,060*	**86,055** *79,235*	**-** -	**-** -	**14,23,426** *13,45,295*	**-** -	**8,606** *7,924*	**-** -	**8,606** *7,924*	**14,14,820** *13,37,371*
22	Meera Kosambi Endowment Lecture Fund	**11,52,388** *11,39,199*	**80,625** *68,578*	**-** -	**-** -	**12,33,013** *12,07,777*	**-** *48,531*	**8,063** *6,858*	**-** -	**8,063** *55,389*	**12,24,950** *11,52,388*
23	Kshirsagar Apte Foundation Fund For Jstor Research	**90,414** *90,414*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**90,414** *90,414*	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**-** -	**90,414** *90,414*
24	Map Catalogue Project Fund	**42,356** *7,54,221*	**14,163** *14,794*	**-** -	**-** -	**56,519** *7,69,015*	**-** *7,25,180*	**1,416** *1,479*	**-** -	**1,416** *7,26,659*	**55,103** *42,356*
25	Conservation of Paintings Fund	**2415** -	**3,636** *2,683*	**-** -	**-** -	**6,051** 2,683	**-** -	**364** *268*	**-** -	**364** *268*	**5,687** *2,415*
26	K. B. Doctor Trust Fund	**775** -	**9,868** *861*	**-** -	**-** -	**10,643** *861*	**-** -	**987** *86*	**-** -	**987** *86*	**9,656** *775*
	Total of Current Year	**11,90,59,013**	**33,32,888**	**1,73,69,136**	**3,29,467**	**14,00,90,504**	**1,35,17,905**	**7,81,319**	**81185**	**1,43,80,409**	**12,57,10,095**
	Total of Previous Year	*11,63,46,938*	*28,28,289*	*1,28,97,838*	*6,61,279*	*13,27,34,343*	*11,30,00,869*	*6,03,946*	*70515*	*1,36,75,330*	*11,90,59,013*

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		31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
SCHEDULE 6 : OTHER LIABILITIES			
For Expenses		8,06,657	29,75,586
Arrears Salary		-	37,78,183
Deposit for Valuable Books		6,70,010	6,72,260
Govt. of India Grant for Manuscript Catalogue Unutilised		68,636	68,636
Interest on Govt. of India Grant for Manuscript Catalogue		3,25,389	3,25,389
Others		3,50,000	3,50,000
TDS Payable		3,30,575	23,644
Salary Payable		-	15,58,812
Security Deposits		15,000	25,000
		25,66,267	**97,77,510**
SCHEDULE 7 : INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT			
As per last Balance Sheet		-1,03,69,792	-1,04,90,839
Add : Surplus for the year		43,70,321	1,21,047
		-59,99,471	**-1,03,69,792**
SCHEDULE 8 : IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES			
Society's Premises (at nominal value as on 1st April, 1951)		1	1
		1	**1**
SCHEDULE 9 : MOVABLE PROPERTIES			
A) Books & Microfilming			
A1 Society's Collection in the Prince of Wales Museum		5,000	5,000
Manuscripts (estimated value as on 1st April, 1951)		55,000	55,000
Coins (estimated value as on 1st April, 1951)		40,000	40,000
Memorial Busts		63,160	63,160
Books received from the Library of the ASM & Central Library		30,75,290	30,75,290
A2 Books purchased after bifurcation :	A1		
As per last Balance Sheet Add : Purchased and processed during the year		32,38,450 5,33,88,731	32,38,450 5,33,88,731
Less : Books lost during the year		-	-
	A2	5,33,88,731	5,33,88,731
A3 Microfilmed Books (At cost) :		5,33,88,731	5,33,88,731
As per last Balance Sheet		2,99,70,664	2,99,70,664
Add : Processed during the year			
	A3	2,99,70,664	2,99,70,664
	A1+A2+A3	**8,65,97,845**	**8,65,97,845**

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		31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
B) Equipment			
B1 Office Equipment			
Computers, Xerox Machine		8,45,647	8,45,647
Telephone		16,507	16,507
Fax Machine		32,210	32,210
Intercom System		54,400	54,400
Overhead Projector		14,989	14,989
LCD Data Projector		1,58,500	1,58,500
Projector		1,16,480	1,16,480
DVD Player		6,990	6,990
Fire Extinguishers		3,03,060	3,03,060
Sound System		27,08,748	27,08,748
Other Office Equipment		14,071	14,071
Staff Personal Locker		1,25,697	1,25,697
Fan		60,000	60,000
Trolley		10,631	10,631
Face Attendance Machine		30,937	30,937
Data Safe Cabinet		27,27,289	27,27,289
Dab Press		35,400	35,400
Board Cutter		64,900	64,900
Paper Cutting Machine		3,42,200	3,42,200
Mobile Phone		7,499	7,499
CC TV Camera System		21,240	21,240
Printer		12,950	12,950
Projector		5,86,265	-
	B1	82,96,610	77,10,345
B2 Library Equipment			
Vacuum Press		1,35,653	1,35,653
Other Equipment (purchased out of Special Project Grant)		58,318	58,318
Airconditioner		72,700	72,700
File Cabinets		5,91,517	5,91,517
Aluminium Sliding Book Shelves		31,13,540	31,13,540
Low Pressure Table		10,59,239	10,59,239
Dab Press Machine		44,840	44,840
	B2	50,75,807	50,75,807

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		31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
B3 MSS Preservation Equipment			
Microscope		25,441	25,441
Microfilms		1,40,917	1,40,917
Furniture		48,024	48,024
	B3	2,14,382	2,14,382
	B1+B2+B3	**1,35,86,799**	**1,30,00,534**
C) Microfilming Laboratory			
C1 Microfilm Reader		19,704	19,704
C2 Preliminary Expenses for Microfilming Project		25,55,820	25,55,820
C3 Equipment		19,93,888	19,93,888
C4 Air Conditioner		2,40,095	2,40,095
		48,09,507	**48,09,507**
D) COMPUTERS & PERIPHERALS			
D1 Computers		31,75,424	29,58,231
D2 Furniture & Fittings		39,120	39,120
D3 Electrical Fittings		26,975	26,975
D4 Wooden Server Cabin		2,39,400	2,39,400
Intangible Assets :			
D5 Software		2,58,698	2,58,698
D6 Website Development		49,635	49,635
		37,89,252	**35,72,059**
E) SPECIAL COLLECTIONS ROOM			
E1 Air Conditioner		1,97,950	1,97,950
E2 Electrical Fittings		1,47,421	1,47,421
E3 Mobile Racks		6,29,000	6,29,000
E4 Dehumidifier		54,490	54,490
		10,28,861	**10,28,861**
F) COMPACT BOOK SHELVING SYSTEM		1,73,63,202	1,73,63,202
F1 Mobile Racks		2,18,946	2,18,946
F2 Electrical Fittings		**1,75,82,148**	**1,75,82,148**

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	31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
G) FIXED ASSETS		
G1 Furniture & Fixtures	54,84,447	51,78,902
G2 Electrical Fittings	7,95,263	7,95,263
G3 Vaccuum Cleaner	38,960	38,960
G4 Die	3,67,299	3,67,299
G5 Durbar Hall Airconditioner	15,46,822	15,46,822
G6 Hydraulic Lift	13,52,553	13,52,553
G7 Capital Work in Progress	79,250	79,250
	96,64,594	**93,59,049**
TOTAL MOVABLE ASSETS	**13,70,59,006**	**13,59,50,003**
LESS - **ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATIONS**	7,27,32,180	6,83,91,562
NET BLOCK OF MOVABLE ASSETS	**6,43,26,826**	**6,75,58,441**

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SCHEDULE 10 : INVESTMENTS

Previous years figures in italics (in Rs.)

S. No.	Fund	8% GOI Bonds	Fixed Deposit with SBI	Fixed Deposit with Saraswat Co-op Bank	Fixed Deposit with Union Bank of India	Fixed Deposit with Bank of Maharashtra	Fixed Deposit with ICICI Bank	Fixed Deposit with HDFC Ltd.	Total
	Corpus Fund & Reserve Fund								
1	Corpus Fund	**1,00,000** *1,00,000*	**5,91,04,390** *5,90,83,523*	**-** *-*	**3,08,27,582** *3,08,27,582*	**2,31,46,528** *2,16,75,311*	**-** *-*	**50,00,000** *50,00,000*	**11,81,78,500** *11,66,86,416*
2	Reserve Fund	**-** *-*	**97,64,504** *76,61,455*	**-** *-*	**74,418** *74,418*	**2,39,270** *2,27,510*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**1,00,78,192** *79,63,383*
	Other Earmarked Funds								
1	Microfilming Laboratory & Book Preservation Fund	**-** *-*	**13,150** *13,150*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**13,150** *13,150*
2	Book Adoption Scheme Fund	**-** *-*	***45,85,496*** *50,89,009*	**-** *-*	**9,24,651** *9,24,651*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**55,10,147** *60,13,660*
3	Asiatic Society of Mumbai Book Fund	**-** *-*	**32,074** *32,074*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**32,074** *32,074*
4	Premchand Roychand Book Fund	**-** *-*	**3,065** *3,065*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**3,065** *3,065*
5	M. M. Dr. P. V. Kane Book Fund	**-** *-*	**7,081** *7,081*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**7,081** ***7,081***
6	T. C. Parekh Memorial Fund	**-** *-*	**23,882** *23,882*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**23,882** *23,882*
7	G. D. Gokhale Charitable Trust Book Fund	**-** *-*	**15,173** 15,173	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**15,173** *15,173*
8	ASM Publication Fund	**-** *-*	**5,00,000** *5,00,000*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**5,00,000** *5,00,000*
9	VVimal Shah Memorial Publication Fund	**-** *-*	**35,69,699** *35,69,699*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**35,69,699** *35,69,699*
10	ASM Development Fund	**-** *-*	**50,000** *50,000*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**50,000** *50,000*
11	Staff Welfare Fund (a) ASM Staff Welfare Fund	**-** *-*	**3,29,363** *6,30,918*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**88,525** *1,40,250*	**-** *-*	**4,17,888** *7,71,168*
	(b) Dr. B. R. Rairikar Bi-Centenary Scholarship Fund	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**30,000** *30,000*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**30,000** *30,000*
12	ASM The Gulestan and Rustom Billimoria Charity Trust - Project on Parsi Zoroastrian Heritage Fund	**-** *-*	**6,28,144** *10,73,298*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**-** *-*	**6,28,144** *10,73,298*

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Previous years figures in italics (in Rs.)

S. No.	Fund	8% GOI Bonds	Fixed Deposit with SBI	Fixed Deposit with Saraswat Co-op Bank	Fixed Deposit with Union Bank of India	Fixed Deposit with Bank of Maharashtra	Fixed Deposit with ICICI Bank	Fixed Deposit with HDFC Ltd.	Total
	Other Earmarked Fund								
13	ASM Bi-Centenary Celebration Fund	- -	**51,79,994** *49,69,789*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**51,79,994** *49,69,789*
14	Mumbai Research Project Fund	- -	**19,59,044** *28,41,019*	**10,00,000** *10,00,000*	- -	- -	- -	- -	**29,59,044** *38,41,019*
15	(a) Library Digitization Project Fund	- -	- -	- -	**43,60,412** *43,60,412*	- -	- -	- -	**43,60,412** *43,60,412*
15	(b) Library Digitization Project Fund - Phase II	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
16	Library Improvement Fund	- -	**3,24,653** *3,12,306*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**3,24,653** *3,12,306*
17	Optical Fibre Fund	- -	**7,52,335** *7,18,127*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**7,52,335** *7,18,127*
18	Restoration of Statues Project Fund	- -	**4,25,110** *4,00,000*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**4,25,110** *4,00,000*
19	ASM Purchase of Books Fund	- -	**5,36,375** *5,18,199*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**5,36,375** *5,18,199*
20	Pictorial Book Publication Fund	- -	**57,16,898** *15,00,000*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**57,16,898** *15,00,000*
Endowments/Memorial Lectures/Fellowship Funds		-		-					
1	Gulestan Billimoria Annual Youth Seminar	-	**1,61,969** *1,61,969*	-	- -	- -	- -	- -	**1,61,969** *1,61,969*
2	ASM Fund for Centre for Labour Studies in memory of Four Trade Union Leaders	- -	**13,51,259** *13,08,420*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**13,51,259** *13,08,420*
3	Indal Fellowship Fund	- -	**27,208** *24,437*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**27,208** *24,437*
4	Chief Justice Chagla Memorial Fellowship Fund	- -	**11,19,662** *11,76,234*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**11,19,662** *11,76,234*
5	M. M. Dr. P. V. Kane Gold Medal Fund	- -	**14,485** *14,192*	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**14,485** *14,192*
6	Campbell Gold Medal Fund	- -	**34,255** **33,889**	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	**34,255** *33,889*

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	Other Earmarked Fund			**Other Earmarked Fund**					
7	Pohekar Fellowship Fund for Japanese Studies	-	**3,67,390**	-	-	-	-	-	**3,67,390**
		-	*3,53,298*	-	-	-	-	-	*3,53,298*
8	Smt. Nabadurga Banerjee Memorial Lecture Fund	-	**5,01,685**	-	-	-	-	-	**5,01,685**
		-	*4,97,988*	-	-	-	-	-	*4,97,988*
9	Smt. Bansari K. Sheth Memorial Lecture Fund	**1,00,000**	**3,22,059**	-	-	-	-	-	**4,22,059**
		1,00,000	*3,10,765*	-	-	-	-	-	*4,10,765*
10	Justice K. T. Telang Memorial Lecture and Fellowship Fund	-	**2,98,505**	-	**4,04,937**	-	-	-	**7,03,442**
		-	*2,87,709*	-	*4,04,937*	-	-	-	*6,92,646*
11	Gulestan Billimoria Memorial Lecture Fund	-	**6,24,073**	-	-	-	-	-	**6,24,073**
		-	*6,16,757*	-	-	-	-	-	*6,16,757*
12	Dr. L. B. Kenny Lecture / Seminar Fund	-	**65,564**	-	-	-	-	-	**65,564**
		-	*64,273*	-	-	-	-	-	*64,273*
13	Dr. Mani Kamerkar Memorial Lecture Fund	-	**1,94,716**	-	-	-	-	-	**1,94,716**
		-	*5,91,522*	-	-	-	-	-	*5,91,522*
14	Dr. Sheela Raj Memorial Fellowship Fund	-	**61,115**	-	-	-	-	-	**61,115**
		-	*1,59,146*	-	-	-	-	-	*1,59,146*
15	B. G. Deshmukh Lecture / Workshop Fund	-	**17,34,282**	-	-	-	-	-	**17,34,282**
		-	*17,27,086*	-	-	-	-	-	*17,27,086*
16	Durga Bhagwat Memorial Lecture Fund	-	**4,24,684**	-	-	-	-	-	**4,24,684**
		-	*5,19,349*	-	-	-	-	-	*5,19,349*
17	Prof. Dhirendra Narain Endowment Lecture Fund	-	**8,14,996**	-	**6,00,000**	-	-	-	**14,14,996**
		-	*7,93,555*	-	*6,00,000*	-	-	-	*13,93,555*
18	Vimal Shah Memorial Research Fellowship Fund	-	**12,27,975**	-	-	-	-	-	**12,27,975**
		-	*12,15,245*	-	-	-	-	-	*12,15,245*
19	Dr. Aroon Tikekar Memorial Fund	-	**36,16,028**	-	**4,80,000**	-	-	-	**40,96,028**
		-	*35,68,803*	-	*4,80,000*	-	-	-	*40,48,803*
20	Rajani Dandekar Fellowship Fund	-	**3,99,169**	-	-	-	-	-	**3,99,169**
		-	*3,79,934*	-	-	-	-	-	*3,79,934*
21	Jayant and Devangana Desai Fellowship Fund	-	**11,21,724**	-	**1,00,000**	-	-	-	**12,21,724**
		-	*11,07,385*	-	*1,00,000*	-	-	-	*12,07,385*
22	Meera Kosambi Endowment Lecture Fund	-	**11,41,974**	-	-	-	-	-	**11,41,974**
		-	*11,30,681*	-	-	-	-	-	*11,30,681*
23	Maps Catalogue Project Fund	-	**2,76,348**	-	-	-	-	-	**2,76,348**
		-	*2,64,200*	-	-	-	-	-	*2,64,200*
24	Conservation of Paintings	-	**1,05,532**	-	-	-	-	-	**1,05,532**
		-	*1,02,315*	-	-	-	-	-	*1,02,315*

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	Other Earmarked Fund								
25	K. B. Doctor Trust Fund	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -	- -
	Total of Current Year	**2,00,000**	**11,00,89,078**	**10,00,000**	**3,78,02,000**	**2,33,85,798**	**88,525**	**50,00,000**	**17,75,65,401**
	Total of Previous Year	*2,00,000*	*10,54,74,715*	*10,00,000*	*3,78,02,000*	*2,19,02,821*	*1,40,250*	*50,00,000*	*17,15,19,786*

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		31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
SCHEDULE 11 : DEPOSITS, ADVANCES & STOCKS			
A. Society's Silver Medal			
As per last Balance Sheet		2,416	2,416
	A	2,416	2,416
B. Deposits			
Telephone Deposit		16,000	16,000
B.E.S.T. Deposit		49,383	49,383
	B	65,383	65,383
C. Advances			
Advance to Employees		2,91,144	5,10,506
Prepaid Expenses		7,21,779	5,62,551
Advavnce to Suppliers		73,775.00	-
	C	10,86,698	10,73,057
D. Stocks			
Stock of ASM Journals, DVDs, Manuscripts :			
Stock of ASM Journal DVD			
Stock of Manuscripts Catalogue		44,947	45,046
Stock of Proceedings of Kane Seminar		47,628	47,855
Stock of ASM Journals		69,000	69,300
(nominal value of Rs. 1.00 per journal as estimated by the management)		398	442
	(i)	1,61,973	1,62,643
Others :			
Stock of Microfilms		28,665	28,665
Stock of Tissue Paper		1,38,817	1,46,982
Stock of Catalogue of Sanskrit & Prakrit Manuscripts		4,64,032	4,64,546
Stock of Monographs		3,352	3,381
(nominal value of Rs. 1.00 per monograph as estimated by the management)		66,916	69,150
Stock of ASM Brochure"		3,994	3,994
Stock of T-Shirts		1,38,184	1,38,184
Stock of spare parts of microfilming camera			
	(ii)	8,43,960	8,54,902
	D (i) + (ii)	10,05,933	10,17,545
	A+B+C+D	**21,60,430**	**21,58,401**

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	31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
SCHEDULE 12 : INCOME ACCRUED & OUTSTANDING		
Interest	23,13,178	18,28,341
Mumbai Municipal Corporation	2,918	2,918
Tax Deducted at Source on Dividend / Interest	67,85,392	55,78,666
	91,01,488	**74,09,925**
SCHEDULE 13 : CASH & BANK BALANCES		
Current Account with State Bank of India	1,03,709	31,740
Current Account with ICICI Bank	13,970	13,646
Savings Account with State Bank of India	40,12,508	36,85,427
Savings Account with State Bank of India (Delnet Project)	2,463	2,463
Savings Account with State Bank of India (Bi-Centenary Fund)	10,327	86
F.C.R.A. Account with State Bank of India(Bi-Centenary Fund)	17,848	17,375
Savings Account with State Bank of India (Digitization Phase II)	8,06,546	10,91,289
Savings Account with State Bank of India (MRC)	8,13,179	13,73,952
Savings Account with ICICI Bank	5,20,438	8,69,075
Current Account with Bank of Maharashtra	28,778	28,000
Savings Account with Union Bank of India	28,86,955	19,79,701
Cash in Hand - ASM	1,12,510	18,460
	93,29,231	**91,11,214**
SCHEDULE 14 : INTEREST & DIVIDEND		
Interest on Fixed Deposits / Bonds	83,03,818	82,57,863
Interest on Reserve Fund	5,36,512	4,98,061
Interest on Savings Accounts	4,01,167	2,01,778
	92,41,497	**89,57,702**
SCHEDULE 15 : DONATIONS & GRANTS		
Donations	21,70,530	18,85,730
Govt. of India Grant	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
Mumbai Municipal Corporation Grant	75,00,000	50,00,000
Govt. of Maharashtra Grant	1,00,00,000	1,00,00,000
	2,96,70,530	**2,68,85,730**

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	31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
SCHEDULE 16 : INCOME FROM OTHER SOURCES		
Resident Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	3,64,500	4,81,000
Non-Resident Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	3,000	9,000
Indian Student Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	3,000	7,500
Granth Sanjeevani Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	10,54,250	7,80,248
Advance Subscription	1,48,065	-
Readership Subscription	-	27,000
Kane Institute PHD Registration Fees	16,900	8,450
Membership Cards	1,655	1,800
Temporary Membership	59,900	41,250
Fines	36,061	60,174
Sale of Books / Publications / Journals / DVD	35,822	92,950
Xerox Charges	5,679	3,228
Miscellaneous Income	4,61,700	11,00,630
Administration Charges for Funds	7,81,319	6,03,946
	29,71,851	**32,17,176**
SCHEDULE 17 : ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES		
Office Salaries & Allowances including Provident Fund Contribution	68,44,588	62,40,640
Gratuity & Leave Encashment	6,99,591	14,08,200
	75,44,179	**76,48,840**
SCHEDULE 18 : GENERAL EXPENSES		
Printing & Stationery	2,90,495	6,73,646
Postage	10,016	6,764
Conveyance	45,840	51,677
Telephone Charges	95,278	27,025
Electricity Charges	5,99,819	9,14,061
Repairs & Maintenance	23,86,812	15,83,661
Honorarium to Auditors	30,000	30,000
Legal & Professional Charges	8,69,591	8,65,610

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	31.3.2025 Rs.	31.3.2024 Rs.
Washing Charges	30,685	30,590
Binding Charges	99,320	2,11,755
Safe Deposit Locker Rent	-	16,756
Bank Charges	20,646	7,305
Miscellaneous Expenses	7,84,154	9,21,764
Rent for Ground Floor Basement	12	12
	52,62,668	**53,40,626**
SCHEDULE 19 : EXPENSES ON THE OBJECTS OF THE TRUST		
Subscription to Periodicals	9,08,519	5,89,515
Salary Subscription to Peridocials Dept.	38,61,748	36,69,547
Cultural Activities	2,00,857	3,67,680
Honorarium to Director of MM Dr. P. V. Kane Institute	-	-
Honorarium - Seminar & Outreach Programmes	1,86,309	30,000
ASM Fellowship	14,400	1,34,000
Photography of Coins & Sopara Relics	1,04,230	25,200
Purchase of Books out of Govt. of Maharashtra Grant	24,77,068	2,80,250
Salary Purchase & Processing of Books	57,70,599	22,17,902
Microfilming Laboratory Expenses : Salaries & Allowances	31,58,931	55,01,671
Microfilms Lab Expenses	-	42,84,472
Conservation Laboratory Expenses : Salaries & Allowances	36,70,620	4,46,648
		40,02,799
Tissue Paper	8,165	24,497
Chemicals & Other Laboratory Expenses	3,976	1,05,451
	2,03,65,422	**2,16,79,632**

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SCHEDULE 20 : DEPRECIATION

(in Rs.)

Asset	Cost as on 1.4.24 Rs	Additions / (Sold/Written Off) Rs	Cost as on 31.3.25 Rs.	Depreciation Rs.
1. Books	3,82,04,094	-	3,82,04,094	14,48,384
2. Microfilmed Books	1,86,87,779	-	1,86,87,779	7,93,406
3. Office Equipment	73,96,256	5,86,265	79,82,521	3,57,839
4. Library Equipment	50,75,808	-	50,75,808	2,34,576
5. MSS Preservation Equipment	1,74,618	-	1,74,618	392
6. Microfilming Laboratory Equipment	48,06,927	-	48,06,927	70,224
7. Computers	28,95,312	2,17,193	31,12,505	2,55,856
8. Airconditioners	21,12,232	-	21,12,232	82,452
9. Furniture & Fittings	64,31,738	3,05,545	67,37,283	4,39,362
10. Electrical Fittings	12,09,305	-	12,09,305	32,941
11. Vaccuum Cleaner	38,960	-	38,960	1,282
12. Mobile Racks	1,70,40,650	-	1,70,40,650	5,42,211
13. Die	3,67,299	-	3,67,299	17,447
14. Hydraulic Lift	13,52,553	-	13,52,553	64,246
15. Intangible Assets	3,08,333	-	3,08,333	-
16. Capital Work in Progress	79,250	-	79,250	-
	10,61,81,114	**11,09,003**	**10,72,90,117**	**43,40,618**

Note: Depreciation is calculated on Straight Line Method.

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INVESTMENT SUMMARY AS ON 31/03/2025

(Details : Schedule No.16

Sr.No.	As at 31.3.2024	Investment	As at 31/03/2025
1	2,00,000	Government of India 8% Savings (Taxable) Bonds 2003	2,00,000
2	10,54,74,715	Fixed Deposit with State Bank of India	11,00,89,078
3	2,19,02,821	Fixed Deposit with Bank of Maharashtra	2,33,85,798
4	1,40,250	Quantum Optima Deposit with ICICI Bank	88,525
5	10,00,000	Fixed Deposit with Saraswat Co.Op. Bank	10,00,000
6	3,78,02,000	Fixed Deposit with Union Bank of India	3,78,02,000
7	50,00,000	Fixed Deposit with HDFC Ltd.	50,00,000
	17,15,19,786		**17,75,65,401**

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The Asiatic Society of Mumbai

List of Donations / Grants (2024-25)

Donations/ Grants received during the period from 1.4.2024 to 31.03.2025

Sr No	Name of the Donors	Amount
1	**Grants :**	
a)	Government of India (GOI) Grant	1,00,00,000
b)	Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) Grant	75,00,000
c)	Government of Maharashtra (GOM) Grant	1,00,00,000
d)	GOM - Library Digitization Project Fund - Phase II	1,29,00,000
		4,04,00,000
2	**Donations for Adopt A Book Scheme**	
a)	The Cawasjee Muncherjee Banajee Charity Trust	50,000
b)	Rotary Club of Bombay Charities Trust No 3	5,00,000
c)	Mr Makariand M Sahasrabudhe	10,000
d)	Rotary Club of Bombay Charities Trust No 3	70,000
e)	Pradnya Khot	20,000
f)	Sohrab & Coomi Mistry Foundation	20,000
g)	Jayashree Mohan Khire & Mohan Vaman Khire	10,000
h)	Mr. Nitash Naval Damania	10,000
I)	M/s Nitash Damania & ORS	10,000
j)	The Cursetjee Muncherjee Banajee Charity Trusts	1,00,000
		8,00,000
3	**Donations for Publishing a Pictorial History of the ASM.**	
a)	Mr. Sushil Kishore Premchand	5,00,000
b)	Nelum Pahlaj Gidwani	5,00,000
c)	Mr. Gopalakrishnan	5,00,000
d)	Mr. Cyrus Jamshed Guzder	5,00,000
e)	Kishore Vallabhdas Mariwala	5,00,000
f)	Mr. Vijay Narhar Gupchup	5,00,000
g)	Mrs. Pheroza Jamshyd Godrej	5,00,000
		35,00,000
4	**Donations for Staff Welfare Fund**	
a)	Prof. Mangala Ram Sirdeshpande	50,000
b)	Advocate Sanjay Kher	50,000
c)	Dr. Kumud Dileep Kanitkar	25,000
		1,25,000

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Sr No	Name of the Donors	Amount
5	**General Donations**	
a)	Adv. Navroz H. Seervai	3,00,000
b)	K B Doctor Trust	10,00,000
c)	Mr Harish Shah	5,00,000
d)	Rotary Club of Bombay Charities Trust No 3	35,000
e)	Nasreen Yousupali Fazalbhoy	21,000
f)	Mr Narendra G Kharade	265
g)	Ms Harini Alladi	2,265
h)	Saraswat Co operative Bank Ltd	12,000
i)	Sir Jamsetjee Jejeebhoy Charity Fund	3,00,000
		21,70,530
	Grant Total (1 to 5)	**4,69,95,530**

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Growth Record- Wise Statement of Income and Expenditure
Registered No. E-1020 (Bom)

The Year ended	31/03/2014	31/03/2015	31/03/2016	31/03/2017	31/03/2018	31/03/2019	31/03/2020	31/03/2021	31/03/2022	31/03/2023	31/03/2024	31/03/2025
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
INCOME:												
1 Interest/Dividend	52,26,935	54,07,605	63,39,490	94,78,007	9,242,019	92,17,143	93,23,716	92,86,374	89,42,000	65,36,766	89,57,702	92,41,497
2 Income from other sources	1,13,75,556	1,36,89,903	1,89,41,333	1,02,65,748	13,189,515	1,66,64,744	1,21,90,060	95,00,219	1,78,14,441	1,93,11,263	3,01,02,906	3,26,42,381
3 Closing stock of ASM Journals	10,572	435	401	454	429	349	343	469	461	453	442	398
4 Closing stock of Manusript Catalogue	61,916	53,978	51,483	51,030	49,896	48,129	47,930	48,988	48,535	48,308	47,855	47,628
5 Closing stock of ASM DVD	61,653	58,272	53,499	51,709	49,720	49,896	48,988	46,935	46,538	45,941	45,046	44,947
6 Closing stock of Proceedings of Kane Seminar	72,600	72,600	72,300	71,700	71,400	71,100	71,100	71,100	71,100	70,200	69,300	69,000
	1,68,09,232	1,92,82,793	2,54,58,506	1,99,18,648	2,26,02,979	2,60,51,361	2,16,82,137	1,89,54,085	2,69,23,075	26,012,931	3,92,23,251	4,20,45,851
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Total Income	**1,68,09,232**	**1,92,82,793**	**2,54,58,506**	**1,99,18,648**	**2,26,02,979**	**2,60,51,361**	**2,16,82,137**	**1,89,54,085**	**2,69,23,075**	**2,60,12,931**	**3,92,23,251**	**4,20,45,851**
EXPENDITURE:												
1 Establishment Expenses :												
(Salary & Wages)	44,94,981	50,25,071	50,26,337	60,38,228	56,04,002	51,99,183	54,16,569	53,83,484	57,15,844	82,17,086	76,48,840	75,44,179
2 General Expenses	20,24,845	18,64,631	29,25,134	34,25,251	30,15,578	41,64,491	34,94,104	13,35,120	15,38,276	33,42,252	53,40,626	52,62,668
3 Expenses on objects of the Trust	58,87,163	67,25,909	81,29,696	79,36,013	73,99,012	80,09,738	71,72,412	1,37,20,307	1,62,44,246	1,70,50,849	2,16,79,632	2,03,65,422
4 Opening stock of ASM Journals	10,585	10,572	435	401	454	429	349	343	469	461	453	442
5 Opening stock of Manuscripts Catalogue	64,865	61,916	53,978	51,483	51,030	49,896	49,896	48,988	48,988	48,535	48,308	47,855
6 Opening stock of ASM Journals/DVD		61,653	58,272	53,499	51,709	49,720	48,129	47,930	46,935	46,538	45,941	45,046
7 Opening stock of Proceedings of Kane Seminar		72,600	72,600	72,300	71,700	71,400	71,400	71,100	71,100	71,100	70,200	69,300
8 Depreciation	29,61,634	33,81,356	37,59,303	41,16,455	38,71,850	42,83,656	45,98,360	42,42,076	43,04,734	42,84,910	42,68,204	43,40,618
Total	1,54,44,073	1,72,03,708	2,00,25,755	2,16,93,630	2,00,65,335	2,18,28,513	2,08,51,219	2,48,49,348	2,79,70,592	3,30,61,731	3,91,02,204	3,76,75,530
9 Excess of income over Expenditure	**13,65,159**	**20,79,085**	**54,32,751**	**(17,74,982)**	**25,37,644**	**42,22,848**	**8,31,218**	**(58,95,263)**	**(10,47,517)**	**(70,48,800)**	**1,21,048**	**43,70,321**
10 Less: Transfer to ASM Development Fund	5,00,000	10,00,000	30,00,000	-	20,00,000	40,00,000	-	-	-	-	-	
11 Balance Transfer to Income & Expenditure Account	**8,65,159**	**10,79,085**	**24,32,751**	-	**5,37,644**	**2,22,848**	**8,31,218**	**(58,95,263)**	**(10,47,517)**	**(70,48,800)**	**1,21,048**	**43,70,321**

Registration No. E-1020 (MUM)

Name of the Public Trust THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI

For the year ending 31st March 2025

Report of an auditor relating to accounts audited under sub-section (2) of section 33 & 34 and rule 19 of the Bombay Public Trust Act.

(a)	Whether accounts are maintained regularly and in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the rules ;	Yes
(b)	Whether receipts and disbursements are properly and correctly shown in the accounts ;	Yes
©	Whether the cash balance and vouchers in the custody of the manager or trustee on the date of audit were in \agreement with the accounts ;	Yes
(d)	Whether all books, deeds, accounts, vouchers or other documents or records required by the auditor were produced before him ;	Yes
(e)	Whether a register of movable and immovable properties is properly maintained, the changes therein are communicated from time to time to the regional office, and the defects and inaccuracies mentioned in the previous audit report have been duly complied with ;	Yes
(f)	Whether the manager or trustee or any other person required by the auditor to appear before him did so and furnished the necessary information required by him ;	Yes
(g)	Whether any property or funds of the Trust were applied for any object or purpose other than the object or purpose of the trust ;	No
(h)	The amounts of outstandings for more than one year and the amounts written off, if any ;	No
(i)	Whether tenders were invited for repairs or construction involving expenditure exceeding Rs. 5000/- ;	Yes
(j)	Whether any money of the public trust has been invested contrary to the provisions of Section 35 ;	No
(k)	Alienations, if any, of the immovable property contrary to the provisions of Section 36 which have come to the notice of the auditor ;	No
(l)	All cases of irregular, illegal or improper expenditure, or failure or omission to recover monies or other property belonging to the public trust or of loss or waste of money or other property thereof, and whether such expenditure, failure, omission, loss or waste was caused in consequence of breach of trust or misapplication or any other misconduct on the part of the trustees or any other person while in the management of the trust ;	Nil
(m)	Whether the budget has been filed in the form provided by rule 16A ;	Yes
(n)	Whether the maximum and minimum number of trustees is maintained ;	Yes
(o)	Whether the meetings are held regularly as provided in such instrument ;	Yes
(p)	Whether the minute books of the proceedings of the meeting is maintained ;	Yes
(q)	Whether any of the trustees has any interest in the investment of the trust ;	No
(r)	Whether any of the trustees is a debtor or creditor of the trust ;	No
(s)	Whether the irregularities pointed out by the auditors in the accounts of the previous year have been duly complied with by the trustees during the period of audit ;	N.A.
(t)	Any special matter which the auditor may think fit or necessary to bring to the notice of the Deputy or Assistant Charity Commissioner ;	

For Bhogilal C. Shah & Co.
Chartered Accountants
Firm Registration No. : 101424W
Partner
Membership No. : 042710

Arvind D. Bhorkar
Chartered Accountants
Membership No. 8317

Mumbai,
Date : 11/09/2025

THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI
Budget Estimate 2025-26
Expenditure

Sr No	Particulars	Completed Year Figures 2024-25 Rs.	Budget for 2025-26 Rs.
1	**Establishment expenses**		
1	Office Salaries & Allowances including Provident Fund	67,27,187	71,63,546.35
	Total Establishment Expenses (a)	**67,27,187**	**71,63,546**
2	**General Expenses**		
1	Stationery & printing	2,90,495	3,63,118.75
2	Postage	10,016	52,520.00
3	Conveyance	45,840	97,300.00
4	Telephone	95,278	1,19,097.50
5	Electricity	5,99,819	7,49,773.75
6	Repair & maintenance	23,86,812	25,00,000
7	Honorarium to auditors	30,000	3,73,96.00
8	Washing Charges	30,685	3,68,22.00
9	Bank Charges	20,646	2,47,75.20
10	Rent for Ground Floor (Basement)	12	, 13.20
11	Miscellaneous Expenses	7,84,154	13,50,000.00
12	Safe Deposit locker Rent	-	
13	Legal/Professional Charges	8,69,591	600,000
14	Binding Material	99,320	1,19,184.00
15	Opening Stock	1,62,643	
	Total General Expenses (b)	**54,25,311**	**60,50,000**
3	**Grant from Govt. of India (Objects of the Trust)**	**1,21,52,498**	**1,32,13,547**
I	**Purchase and Processing of periodicals**		
1	Salary purchase and Processing of periodicals	22,74,372	23,88,091
		22,74,372	**23,88,091**
II	**Purchase and Processing of Books**		
1	Salary purchase and Processing of Books	31,85,233	33,44,494.65
		31,85,233	**33,44,495**
III	**Microfilming Laboratory**		
1	Salary Microfilming Laboratory	16,76,544	1,760,371.20
		16,76,544	**17,60,371**
IV	**Conservation Laboratory**		
1	Salary Conservation Laboratory	20,46,859	2,149,201.95
		20,46,859	**21,49,202**
IV	**Administration Staff Expense**		
1	Salary on Administration staff	8,16,992	8,57,841.60
		8,16,992	**8,57,842**
B	**Total Plan Grant from GOI (B)**	**1,00,00,000**	**1,05,00,000**

THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI
Budget Estimate 2025-26
Expenditure

Sr No	Particulars	Completed Year Figures 2024-25 Rs.	Budget for 2025-26 Rs.
4	**Expenses on Objects of the Trust**		
1	Subscription to Periodicals	9,08,519	-
2	ASM Fellowship	14,400	-
3	Hand Book of Coin in possessionn of the society	-	-
4	Photography of Coins & Sopara Relics	1,04,230	-
5	Honorarium to Director P.V. Kane Institute	-	-
6	Honorarium - Seminar & Outreach Programmes	1,86,309	-
7	Cultural Activities	2,00,857	4,00,000
8	Purchase of Books	24,77,068	25,00,000
9	Library Improvement		
10	Documentation of artefacts belonging to the Asiatic Society of Mumbai and given as loan to the Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (CSMVS)	-	-
11	Publication of three volumes of the Journal of the Asiatic Society of Mumbai	-	-
12	**Infrastructural & Cataloguing Projects at the Asiatic:**		-
	a) Re-envisioning the Storage in Special Collections	-	-
	b) Comprehensive Cataloguing of Artefacts	-	-
	c) The Storage of Manuscripts	-	-
	d) Maps Catalogue	-	-
	e) Archiving of Written Resources	-	-
	f) Preparing Catalogues of rare Books	-	-
		38,91,383	**29,00,000**
5	**Microfilming Lab related Expenses**		
1	Microfilming lab. Staff salary	14,82,387	19,37,064
	Microfilms Lab Expenses		30,00,000
	Total Microfilming Lab Expenses	**14,82,387**	**49,37,064**
6	**Conservation Lab related Expenses**		
1	Conservation Lab. Staff Salary	16,23,761	18,67,325
2	Conservation Lab. Chemicals	3,976	
3	Conservation Lab. Tissue Paper	8,165	
	Total Conservation Lab Expenses	**16,35,902**	**18,67,325**

THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI
Budget Estimate 2025-26
Expenditure

Sr No	Particulars	Completed Year Figures 2024-25 Rs.	Budget for 2025-26 Rs.
7	**Peridocials Dept. Related Expenses**		
1	Salary Subscription to Peridocials Dept.	15,87,376	18,25,482
	Total Conservation Lab Expenses	**15,87,376**	**18,25,482**
8	**Purchase of Books Dept. Related Expenses**		
1	Salary Purchase & Processing of Books	25,85,366	29,73,171
	Total Conservation Lab Expenses	**25,85,366**	**29,73,171**
C	**Expenditure on object of Trust(C)**	**1,11,82,414**	**1,45,03,043**
	Grand Total Expenditure (A+B+C)	**3,33,34,912**	**3,82,16,589**
	(Deficit)/ Surplus before depreciation	**58,88,339**	**1,75,411**
9	**Depreciation**	**43,40,618**	**-**
	Grand Total Expenditure after Depreciation	**3,76,75,530**	**3,82,16,589**
	(Deficit)/ Surplus after Depreciation	**43,70,321**	**1,75,411**

THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI
Budget Estimate 2025-26
Income

Sr No	Particulars	Completed Year Figures 2024-25 Rs.	Budget for 2025-26 Rs.
1	**Interest & Dividends**		
a	Interest on Fixed Deposit/bonds (Corpus)	83,03,818	85,00,000
b	Interest on Reserve fund (Units/bonds)	5,36,512	
c	Interest on Saving account	4,01,167	
	Total Interest & Dividends	**92,41,497**	**85,00,000**
2	**Income from Other Sources**		
	Subscription from:		
a	Resident Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	3,64,500	15,00,000
b	Non-Resident Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	3,000	
c	Indian Student Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	3,000	
d	Granth Sanjeevani Members' Subscription (Cash Basis)	10,54,250	
f	Readership Subscription	-	
g	Kane Institute PHD Registration Fees	16,900	
h	Membership Cards	1,655	
i	Temporary Membership	59,900	
j	Fines	36,061	
k	Sale of Books / Publications / Journals / DVD	35,822	
l	Xerox Charges	5,679	
n	Miscellaneous Income	4,61,700	
p	General Donation	21,70,530	30,00,000
q	Grant from Central Government	10,000,000	1,00,00,000
r	Grant from State Government	10,000,000	1,00,00,000
t	Grant-in-Aid from Mumbai Municipal Corporation	75,00,000	50,00,000
u	Administration Charges for Endowment Funds	7,81,319	
w	Advance Subscription	1,48,065	
X	Closing Stock	1,61,973	
	Total Income from Other Sources	**3,28,04,354**	**2,95,00,000**
	Grand Total Income (1+2)	**4,20,45,851**	**3,80,00,000**
	(Deficit)/ Surplus	**43,70,321**	**(2,16,589)**
	Grand Total Income (1+2)	**4,20,45,851**	**3,80,00,000**

CERTIFICATE FOR THE MOVABLES OF THE ASIATIC SOCIETY OF MUMBAI

Date: 11/09/2025

The total number of manuscripts is 2,847 and printed 'pothis' are 293. A detailed catalogue of all the manuscripts and printed 'pothis' is available in "A Catalogue of the Manuscripts and Printed Pothis" at the Asiatic Society of Mumbai (updated till 2012).

A full verification of coins was carried out as of 31st March 2022 by the noted numismatist, the late Mr. Mahesh Kalra. The total number coins present in the custody of the Society is 12,330.

The Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangralaya (formerly the Prince of Wales Mueseum) has sent a letter dated 9thJuly 2025 stating that the artefacts given on loan to the Museum and the antiquities mentioned in the lists previously sent are in order.

Prof. Mangala Sirdeshpande
Hon. Secretary

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