MONTHLY SUMMARY OF THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY, 2018

- The meeting of Executive Committee (EC) constituted for commemorating 150th Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi was held on 18th July, 2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Prime Minister to consider policies and lay down guidelines for the commemoration and also a meeting of National Implementation Committee (NIC) was held under the Chairmanship of Hon’ble Home Minister on 30th July, 2018 to discuss other Commemorations which are scheduled in 2018 and 2019.

- A National Seminar on “Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee’s Educational Philosophy and His Vision on South East Asia and India” was organised by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies in collaboration with Indian Council of Historical Research and District Administration, Cachar, Silchar to commemorate 117th Birth Anniversary of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee at Banga Bhavan, Silchar.

- National Gallery of Modern Art (NGMA), Mumbai, in collaboration with Indian Council for Cultural Relations presented – a horizon series of Hindustani Classical & Light Classical Recital by Dilraj Kaur (Kheyal, Thumri and Gazals) and also NGMA in collaboration with Avid Learning organized a talk on “Multipolis Mumbai Series – Woman Writers in the City”.

- An exhibition featuring digital reproductions of ninety six gelatin silver photographic prints, was curated from the collection of the Vitoral Memorial Hall by Ranu Roychowdhuri, Historian of Art and Photography. Comprising photographs of Calcutta and its Neighbouring Areas from the Late-Nineteenth and Early-Twentieth Century, twenty seven of these prints were made by the largest commercial studio in colonial India, Messrs. Bourne & Shepherd, while sixty nine of them created by the second largest commercial studio Messrs. Johnston and Hoffmann.

- Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts is hosting Arth-Art for Earth The Excavated Museum of Clay by Manav Gupta which was inaugurated in July. Under the musical series, IGNCA organized an event “Sanjari Ek Bharat Shrestha Bharat Shrinkhala”.

- The Sangeet Natak Akademi organised Shreshtha Bharat Sanskriti Samagam, a programme of Music, Dance Drama, Folk & Tribal arts and Puppetry in collaboration with Odisha Language Literature and Culture Department.

- A Cultural Exchange Programme between India and Korea, Ghana and Rwanda for the years 2018-2022 was signed in July, 2018 and also a memorandum of Understanding between the India and the Government of the Republic of Uganda on Cultural Exchange Programme for the years 2018-2021 was signed.

- Festival of India in Tunisia was inaugurated on 26th July, 2018.