

ANNUAL REPORT 2022

**of Prasanta Chandra Mahalonobis
Memorial Museum & Archives
Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata**



PCMMM&A At A Glance

The Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Memorial Museum & Archives (PCMMM&A) was established in 1993 on the occasion of the birth centenary celebration of Professor Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis (PCM), a pioneering statistician & the founder of the Indian Statistical Institute. Temporarily the Museum & Archives has been shifted to 3rd floor of library building.



The major objectives are collection, preservation, restoration, display, communication & documentation of personalia, memorabilia as well as rare source materials connected with the life and legacy of Mahalanobis, which also encompass the historical growth of the Institute and of statistical science in India.



THE MUSEUM

It is housed in Amrapali, the erstwhile residence of Professor Mahalanobis, located on the campus of the Institute at Kolkata. The ground floor of the house, on the eastern side, has a permanent exhibition on the life & work of PCM through photographic displays. The display of the museum consists of five galleries. There are 921 exhibits through 101 panels & a collection of artifacts related to PCM on display in these galleries.



THE ARCHIVES

The archival materials trace the history of the development of statistics in the Indian sub-continent during the PCM's lifetime & beyond, with special reference to his outstanding contributions in this area. They include official & personal documents, files, correspondence, scientific & literary papers, photographs, newspaper cuttings, diaries, & manuscripts related to Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis & Nirmal Kumari.

PCM MUSEUM & ARCHIVES:

Major Collections



Manuscripts

**3,00,000
Manuscripts**
(Typescript/ Handwritten)



Books

850 approx.



Audio-video

(Spool, Record, Cassettes)

**93 nos.,
89 nos.,
101 nos.**



Photographs

4000 approx.



Negatives

5000 approx.



Slides

**1236 slides
approx.**



Artifacts

1330 approx.



General Activities:



*Maintaining Museum
& Archives*



*Conservation of
archival materials*



*Reference for research
scholars across the world*



Library Services



Outreach Programme





Conservation Works:

A regular conservation programme is carried out for the preservation of archival materials to serve the purposes of the researchers & other stakeholders

Current Project:

Social Media Volunteer Programme for PCMMM&A

**Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis Memorial Museum and Archives
Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata**

CALL FOR SOCIAL MEDIA VOLUNTEERS !

Requirements

- Knowledge of social media
- SEO marketing skills
- Canva/Photoshop, video editing skills
- Research Skills

(Candidates must be proficient in English)

Job Profile

- Content creation
- Engagement through content
- Maintaining & developing social media calendar

Benefits for the Volunteer

- Museum management experience
- Work experience
- Handling archival materials
- Museum exposure and future opportunities
- Certificate

Contact

Interested candidates may please send their CV, Statement of Purpose, and Work Sample to ksatyapathy@isical.ac.in

For more details please visit - <https://www.isical.ac.in/~museum/>

*This is a non-paid programme

Outreach Activities:

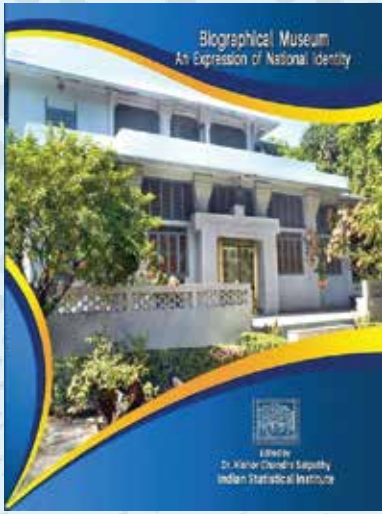
Offline:

- ▶ Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy delivered an Invited Talk on “The Role of Archivist of Prasanta Chandra Memorial Museum & Archives” during the celebration of ‘World Heritage Week – Durga Festival’ at Kolkata Centre for Creativity.

Online:

- ▶ Virtual Exhibition on "Father of Indian Statistics: Prof. Prasanta Chandra Mahalanobis during 19th-25th Nov.. 2022 to celebrate Heritage Week 2022





Publication

Biographical Museum:

An Expression of National Identity
(Edited by Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy)
on 23rd November 2022 on the
eve of Heritage Week at KCC.



Visitors in the Museum & Archives



Pune

Sutapa Malakar
GIPE



NCSM

N. Dasgupta
Director, CRTL



CSIR-CGCRI

Dr. D. Bandyopadhyay
Director



ICFUI

Alovi Zhimomi
Assistant Professor



New York

Aman Roy
Graduate Center CUNY



NCBS

Venkat Srinivasan
Archivist



Mumbai

Vandana Trivedi
Santacruz



IIM Ahmedabad

Sanjoy Bhattacharyya
CIA, HDFC



New Jersey

Neel Thakkar
Princeton University



UK

Michel Rayner
University of Sussex



New Delhi

Mila Samdab



ISS(P)

Neetish Mishra



MoSPI

Pankaj K P Shreyaskar
Deputy DG



Google

Virat Maken



Florida

Sudeep Sarkar
Kanad Sarkar



JNU

Amrita Chattopadhyay



**Kolkata Centre
for Creativity**

Reena Dewan
Director



M.M. Hasija

Director General, NSO



JU

Ranjit Mondal



Others

Akhilesh Jha
Gautam Bagchi
Writer



**University
of Chicago**

Yaseer Nasser



**Bangiya Bijnan
Parishad**

Sunish Kumar Deb

Team Members



**Dr. Kishor Chandra
Satpathy**

In-charge



**Ms. Monali Mitra
Palodhi**

Coordinator



**Mr. Avik Kumar
Das**

Associate Scientist
A



**Ms. Sangita
Kar**

Museum Trainee



**Ms. Sangita
Mukherjee**

Museum Trainee



**Mr. Naba Kumar
Biswas**

Conservation Staff



**Ms. Rina
Chatterjee**

Record Attendant



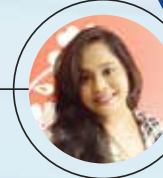
Lakshya

Intern



**Ms. Rituparna
Chatterjee**

Intern



**Ms. Supretha
Das**

Intern



Future Plan







There is a plan for expansion of PCMMM&A in future. A new gallery has been envisaged on the development of the Indian Statistical Institute which will unfold the deepening of the scientific philosophy of Professor P.C. Mahalanobis after his demise. Apart from organizing lectures, seminars & discussions, emphasis would be given in bringing 'variations' in educational activities. For the archival collections, there is a plan for the enhancement of its accessibility by producing compiled indexes & its digital version.





Dr. Kishor Chandra Satpathy Incharge, PCMMM&A

-  Indian Statistical Institute
203, B T Road
Kolkata-700108
-  ksatpathy@isical.ac.in
-  +91-9435175531
-  www.isical.ac.in/~museum

Visit Time: Mon-Fri | 10:00 AM- 06:00PM