

Buddhist site museum at Lalitgiri in Odisha

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Buddhist site museum at Lalitgiri in Odisha-Prime minister to einaugurate event

- One of the earliest Buddhist settlements in Odisha, Lalitgiri, where excavations have yielded ancient seals and inscriptions, has been converted into a museum.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the museum through video conference from Bhubaneswar.
- Located in Cuttack district, it will be the third site museum of the Bhubaneswar circle of the Archaeological Survey of India after Ratnagiri and Konark.

Vital stats

- Excavations at Lalitgiri have yielded the remains of four monasteries, showing cultural continuity from the post-Mauryan period till the 13th century CE.
- The site yielded more than 40 seals and inscriptions, most of them bearing Buddhist "Dharnimantras" in the eastern variety of Nagri script and in Sanskrit dating between 7th and 11th centuries CE.

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