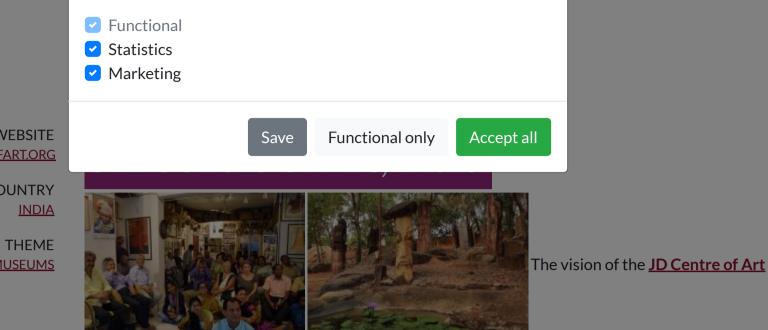


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(JDCA) is to preserve and promote traditional and contemporary art, without boundaries. The centre is being built across the historic Khandagiri caves (2nd century BC) in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, India. The construction of its first phase is ongoing and the JDCA is expected to open to the public in 2017. The Centre has been established by Jatin Das, its Chairman, a contemporary artist conferred with one of India's highest civilian awards, the. Padma Bhushan. The JD Centre of Art wants to build a living, everchanging example of sustainable, human-centered design for Odisha, around its diverse collection. The Centre wants to create a space and place for a state-wide conversation about the power of art to transform, sustain, educate and empower. **Permanent collection**:

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- Films on Art: over 2,000 films
- 20,000 hours of audio and video recording on folk culture of Odisha
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