

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY  
**RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-2260**

ANSWERED ON- 09/08/2023

**MISSION SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE**

2260 # **Shri Rambhai Harjibhai Mokariya:**

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details about the Mission School of Excellence;
- (b) Whether the infrastructure as well as the education level in Government schools in Gujarat has improved as a result of this scheme;
- (c) whether number of children has increased in the Government schools in Gujarat due to this scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether Government of other States have contacted Government of Gujarat regarding this scheme, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

As per the information provided by the State of Gujarat:

(a) to (e): Gujarat's "Mission Schools of Excellence" is the holistic School Transformation Project to strengthen the Government and Grant-in-Aid schools of the State with adequate schooling infrastructure. It envisions to transform the 20,000 bigger Government and Grant-in-aid schools with 120+ enrollment of Students as Schools of Excellence with Physical and Digital Infrastructure to help Students in achieving Grade-appropriate Learning Outcomes. The Mission is partially supported by World Bank and Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank.

The summary status of Physical and Digital Infrastructure upgradation under the program as of July 2023 is as under:

Sr. no.	Component	Completed	Work in progress	Tendering in progress
1	New Classrooms	750	15,300	6,500
2	School Upgradation	8,650	24,800	3,500
3	Computer Labs	2,600	3,400	12,000
4	Smart Classrooms	37,000	16,000	35,000

The education level in Government Schools has also improved in the State. The overall State Average Percentage Score of Summative Assessment Tests (SAT) for Grades 1 to 8 has improved from 46% in the year 2021-22 to 53% in the year 2022-23. Further, the students' enrollment in Government schools has increased during the last years.

The Mission Schools of Excellence program is monitored through Vidya Samiksha Kendra which was visited by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on April 18, 2022. Subsequently, a National Conference of School Education Ministers was organized by Ministry of Education, Government of India during June 1-2, 2022. During this event, Ministers, Dignitaries and Senior Officers from Education Departments of almost all the States and UTs of India have visited the Vidya Samiksha Kendra, Gujarat.

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