

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY**

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 674  
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**PM-SHRI schools**

**674 Shri Prabhakar Reddy Vemireddy:**

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

- (a) aims and objectives of PM-SHRI;
- (b) whether it is a fact that 662 schools in Andhra Pradesh have been identified under PM-SHRI;
- (c) details of facilities that are going to be provided in identified PM-SHRI schools; and
- (d) the anticipated expenditure involved for this 662 schools and by when the project is likely to be completed?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)**

(a) The Cabinet has approved a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme named Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2022. These schools will showcase the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and emerge as exemplar schools over a period of time, and also offer leadership to other schools in the neighbourhood. They will provide leadership in their respective regions in providing high-quality education in an equitable, inclusive and joyful school environment that takes care of the diverse background, multilingual needs, and different academic abilities of children and makes them active participants in their own learning process as per the vision of NEP 2020.

(b) Yes. In the first phase of selection of PM SHRI Schools a total of 662 schools have been selected from Andhra Pradesh.

(c) The major interventions in the PM SHRI Scheme used for modern, transformation and holistic method of imparting education are:

1. Quality and Innovation (Learning Enhancement Programme, Holistic Progress Card, Innovative Pedagogies, Bagless days, Internships with Local artisans, Capacity building etc.)
2. Beneficiary oriented Entitlements under Right to Education (RTE) Act.
3. Annual School Grants (Composite School grants, Library grant, Sports grant)
4. Early Childhood Care and Education including Balvatika and Foundational Literacy and Numeracy
5. Equity and Inclusion including provision of safe and appropriate infrastructure for girls and children with special needs (CwSN).
6. Encouraging flexibility in choice of subjects offered to students.
7. Encouraging mother tongue as medium of instruction using technological interventions to help bridge language barriers between teachers and students.
8. ICT, smart classrooms and digital libraries for using digital pedagogy.
9. Strengthening of existing infrastructure
10. Vocational interventions & Enhancing internship/entrepreneurship opportunities especially with local industry. Mapping of skills with developmental projects/nearby industry and develop courses/curriculum accordingly.

(d) In the PAB of PM SHRI Schools a total of Rs 35,485.80 lakh (Rs.21291.48 Lakh as Central Share + Rs. 14194.32 Lakh as State Share) has been approved for the year 2023-24 for this 662 schools from Andhra Pradesh.

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