

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-502
ANSWERED ON 07/02/2024

Condition of schools in rural area

502 **Shri Imran Pratapgarhi:**

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

- (a) whether the Government has data regarding the schools in various rural parts of the country that do not have electricity or playgrounds;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard, State-wise especially Maharashtra; and
- (d) the details of the action taken by Government in this regard so far, State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) and (b): The Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education has developed the Unified District Information System for Education Plus (UDISE+) system to record data on indicators of school education provided by all the States and Union Territories. As per UDISE+ 2021-22, States/UTs-wise total number of schools in rural area, number of schools with the facility of electricity and playgrounds in rural areas of the country are at annexure-I.

(c) and (d): Education is in the Concurrent list of the Constitution and the opening of schools is within the purview of respective State Government and UT Administration. Further, Centre helps States and UTs under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, which is an overarching scheme of school education covering all levels from pre-primary to senior secondary. Financial assistance is provided to the States and UTs for various activities to improve enrolment in Govt. schools, which include opening/strengthening of new schools up to senior secondary level, strengthening school infrastructure, setting up, up gradation and running of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBV) upto class 12, setting up of residential schools/hostel named Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Avasiya Vidyalayas, transport allowance, undertaking enrolment drives, seasonal hostels/residential camps, provision of vocational education and ICT facilities in schools, etc, financial assistance is also provided for aids and appliances for children with special needs. Recently the Department of School Education & Literacy has also approved a projection Rejuvenation of Basic Infrastructure in approximately 1.20 lakh Government schools across the country with an overall budget estimate of Rs. 4590 crore under Samagra Shiksha scheme. The interventions covered under the project are major/minor repairs, functional toilets (boys/girls), electricity connections, functional drinking water facility and boundary walls. State/UT-wise Central Releases for the year 2021-22 and 2022-23 under Samagra Shiksha are at annexure-II.

Further, a D.O Letter dated 16.09.2021 was issued jointly with the Ministry of Panchayati Raj informing all States/UTs (including Maharashtra) that the Gram Panchayats may be permitted to utilize 14th and 15th Finance Commission (FC) Grants available with them for maintenance and creation/ strengthening of basic infrastructure facilities which inter alia includes functional electricity connection and maintenance of playgrounds in Primary/ Upper Primary/Secondary/Higher Secondary Schools on priority. Another D.O Letter dated 25.03.2022 was issued to several States/UTs based on UDISE+ data on availability of electricity connection in schools. The States/UTs which had gaps in functional electricity connection were requested to take up provision of electricity connection to all remaining schools in that State/UT in a mission mode in coordination with the State Electricity Department/Board and State Education Department.

Annexure - I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) and (b) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 502 ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024 ASKED BY HONB'LE MP SHRI IMRAN PRATAPGARHI REGARDING 'CONDITION OF SCHOOLS IN RURAL AREA'

States/UTs-wise number of schools do not have electricity or playgrounds in various rural parts of the country for the year 2021-22

State/UTs	Total number of schools in Rural area	number of schools with Playground in Rural area	number of schools with Electricity in Rural area
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	357	344	327
Andhra Pradesh	49810	38613	49109
Arunachal Pradesh	3234	2197	2051
Assam	57473	45149	43733
Bihar	84040	41014	73987
Chhattisgarh	50168	39128	47824
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	393	393	393
Delhi	226	225	226
Goa	1185	1066	1185
Gujarat	41439	36223	41419
Haryana	18008	16422	17818
Himachal Pradesh	17171	14903	16929
Jammu & Kashmir	25555	15324	19116
Jharkhand	40780	28704	38721
Karnataka	54918	43884	54358
Kerala	12917	11323	12849
Ladakh	914	691	850
Lakshadweep	38	37	38
Madhya Pradesh	104010	82350	76648
Maharashtra	81903	75229	76658
Manipur	3989	3463	2545
Meghalaya	13545	5787	3191
Mizoram	2646	2198	2050
Nagaland	2182	1584	1584
Odisha	57186	36007	47676
Puducherry	394	362	394
Punjab	21675	21217	21672
Rajasthan	88362	70153	75778
Sikkim	1142	984	1137
Tamilnadu	43180	37334	43180
Telangana	28547	20580	26274
Tripura	4527	3549	2484
Uttar Pradesh	221117	168993	183762
Uttarakhand	19206	14674	17315
West Bengal	82551	55005	80288
All India	1234788	935109	1083569

Annexure - II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) and (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 502 ANSWERED ON 07.02.2024 ASKED BY HONB'LE MP SHRI IMRAN PRATAPGARHI REGARDING 'CONDITION OF SCHOOLS IN RURAL AREA'

State/UT-wise Central Releases from 2021-22 to 2022-23 under Samagra Shiksha (**Rs in lakhs**)

Sl.No.	Name of the State	2021-22	2022-23
		Central Release	Central Release
1	A & N Islands	3152.32	5651.44
2	Andhra Pradesh	68301.36	150359.02
3	Arunachal Pradesh	27996.24	25229.47
4	Assam	156156.40	208086.22
5	Bihar	340608.45	355459.46
6	Chandigarh	10804.09	10979.21
7	Chhattisgarh	33236.78	82800
8	Dadra & N. Haveli Daman & Diu	2092.45	6466.66
9	Delhi	14588.04	22193.92
10	Goa	1102.19	2985.77
11	Gujarat	89375.71	132125.03
12	Haryana	51709.18	67021.33
13	Himachal Pradesh	31910.05	55160.13
14	Jammu & Kashmir	87398.83	36497.18
15	Jharkhand	85897.13	115451.63
16	Karnataka	47451.63	86152.48
17	Kerala	22512.79	17815.99
18	Ladakh	5717.55	1489.36
19	Lakshadweep	216.15	432.99
20	Madhya Pradesh	229279.75	193928.88
21	Maharashtra	69302.88	90000
22	Manipur	18250.19	40475.7
23	Meghalaya	27171.38	37515.29
24	Mizoram	17968.14	14268.09
25	Nagaland	13734.16	28104.49
26	Odisha	123807.39	183666.84
27	Puducherry	1397.54	1527.52
28	Punjab	50127.01	60504.93
29	Rajasthan	240582.13	213861.12
30	Sikkim	10012.46	10718.96
31	Tamil Nadu	159882.18	210723.33
32	Telangana	55327.91	114251.02
33	Tripura	22692.81	28672.54
34	Uttar Pradesh	204497.10	381975.27
35	Uttarakhand	32083.60	70438.94
36	West Bengal	130974.48	152204.21
	Total	2487318.45	3215194.42