

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

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO - 16**  
ANSWERED ON 27/11/2024

**Separate toilets for girls and boys in schools**

**16 Shri Akhilesh Prasad Singh:**

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

- (a) the percentage of schools with separate toilets for girls and boys, the year-wise details thereof, for the last three years;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government claimed that 97 per cent Government schools have separate toilets for girls;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is also a fact that Government claimed that 100 per cent Government schools had separate toilets for boys and girls in 2015; and
- (e) if so, the reasons for the difference in the data?

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION**  
**(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

(a) to (e) A statement is laid on the table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) TO (E) OF RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 16 ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024 ASKED BY HONB'LE MP SHRI AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH REGARDING 'SEPARATE TOILETS FOR GIRLS AND BOYS IN SCHOOLS'**

(a): 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+, percentage of schools having girl's toilets and boy's toilets are as under:

Year	% of schools having Girl's toilets	% of schools having Boys Toilets
2019-20	96.3	95.3
2020-21	96.8	95.7
2021-22	97.0	96.2

(b) and (c): As per UDISE+ 2021-22, percentage of Government schools with girl's toilets is 97.4.

(d) and (e): In response to the announcement made by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 15 August, 2014, the Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education had launched Swachh Vidyalaya Initiative (SVI) to provide separate toilets for girls and boys in all Government schools.

Education is in the concurrent list of the Constitution and most of the schools are under the jurisdiction of concerned States and UTs. The Department of School Education and Literacy has launched an Integrated Centrally Sponsored Scheme for School Education Samagra Shiksha w.e.f. 2018-19. Under Samagra Shiksha, States and UTs are supported for strengthening of existing Government schools, and for creation and augmentation of infrastructure facilities including toilets as per proposals received from respective State/UT based on the identified gaps.

Every year, Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) under Samagra Shiksha is prepared by the respective States and UTs based on their requirements and priorities for various interventions including strengthening of the school infrastructure. These plans/estimates are appraised and approved by the Project Approval Board in Ministry of Education as per the programmatic and financial norms of the scheme, availability of budgetary resources and physical & financial progress, in consultation with the respective States/UTs. Under Samagra Shiksha, Rs 23575 crores has been sanctioned for providing infrastructure for elementary and secondary schools and Rs. 3400 crores for construction of toilets for Girls, Boys and CWSN during 2018-19 to 2024-25.

As per UDISE+, total number of toilets reported in 2014-15 and 2021-22 are given below:

Toilet facility	2014-15	2021-22	Net increase	Percentage increase
Total Toilets	45,29,823	68,07,437	22,77,614	50.3
Boys Toilets	21,72,628	33,03,052	11,30,424	52.0
Girls Toilets	23,57,195	35,04,385	11,47,190	48.7

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