

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

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 193
ANSWERED ON 27/11/2024

Digital Infrastructure in Government Schools

193 Smt. Phulo Devi Netam:
Smt. Ranjeet Ranjan:

Will the Minister of Education be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Government and private schools in each State separately along with the percentage of schools that have access to the internet;
- (b) the details of budgetary outlay and expenditure to improve digital infrastructure in schools, particularly in the rural areas; and
- (c) the steps being taken to train teachers for utilizing digital tools to ensure quality education?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SH. JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

- (a): The State/UT wise details of the total number of Government and private schools along with the percentage of schools having internet connection are at **Annexure**.
- (b): Samagra Shiksha, an overarching programme for the school education sector extending from pre-school to class XII, is running in the country including the rural areas. Under Samagra Shiksha, financial assistance is provided to States/UTs including rural areas for various ICT and Digital initiatives like setting up of ICT labs and smart classrooms in the schools. ICT and Digital Initiatives component of Samagra Shiksha covers Government and Aided Schools having classes VI to XII. The details of outlay approved and expenditure incurred for ICT Labs and Smart Classrooms for the year 2023-24 are as under:-

(Rs in Lakh)

ICT Labs		Smart Classrooms	
Outlay approved	Expenditure incurred*	Outlay approved	Expenditure incurred*
55904.4	78672.62	53729.71	36947.14

*Expenditure includes spillover from earlier year approvals

(c): Education is in the Concurrent list of the Constitution and majority of the schools are under the administrative control of respective State Government and UT Administration. The Department of School Education and Literacy has launched a National Mission to improve learning outcomes at the elementary level through an Integrated Teacher Training Programme called NISHTHA – National Initiative for School Heads’ and Teachers’ Holistic Advancement under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha in 2019-20. NISHTHA is a capacity building programme for "Improving Quality of School Education through Integrated Teacher Training".

In order to provide continuous learning opportunities to the teachers, NISHTHA online was launched using DIKSHA platform in October 2020. Teachers were oriented on various aspects related to Learning Outcomes, Competency Based Learning and Testing, ICT in teaching-learning including Artificial Intelligence et al.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 193 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.11.2024 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM, SMT. RANJEET RANJAN REGARDING "DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS"

The State/UT wise details of the total number of Government and private schools along with the percentage of schools having internet connection

State/UTs Name	Government Management			Private Management		
	Total Schools	Schools having Internet Connections	Percentage	Total Schools	Schools having Internet Connections	Percentage
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	342	133	38.89	72	52	72.22
Andhra Pradesh	45137	20313	45.00	15058	13560	90.05
Arunachal Pradesh	2985	458	15.34	503	284	56.46
Assam	45490	4680	10.29	5852	1945	33.24
Bihar	75558	4421	5.85	8097	3493	43.14
Chandigarh	123	123	100.00	76	76	100.00
Chhattisgarh	48743	16469	33.79	7063	4066	57.57
DND – DNH	388	194	50.00	63	61	96.83
Delhi	2762	2762	100.00	2610	2610	100.00
Goa	814	299	36.73	139	121	87.05
Gujarat	34699	32681	94.18	13559	12153	89.63
Haryana	14562	4345	29.84	8261	7160	86.67
Himachal Pradesh	15380	4175	27.15	2646	2040	77.10
Jammu & Kashmir	23173	5169	22.31	5526	3345	60.53
Jharkhand	35840	12052	33.63	1559	1153	73.96
Karnataka	49679	5308	10.68	19650	14145	71.98
Kerala	5010	4738	94.57	3164	3010	95.13
Ladakh	838	342	40.81	112	63	56.25
Lakshadweep	38	37	97.37	0	0	0.00
Madhya Pradesh	92695	16469	17.77	30345	17339	57.14
Maharashtra	65639	18540	28.25	19268	16542	85.85
Manipur	2889	340	11.77	1010	617	61.09
Meghalaya	7783	1111	14.27	2120	488	23.02
Mizoram	2563	153	5.97	1034	114	11.03
Nagaland	1960	850	43.37	757	532	70.28
Odisha	49072	3970	8.09	6104	3717	60.89
Puducherry	422	422	100.00	281	271	96.44
Punjab	19259	9013	46.80	7978	7026	88.07
Rajasthan	68948	36889	53.50	34826	26170	75.15
Sikkim	864	231	26.74	376	195	51.86
Tamil Nādu	37636	9292	24.69	12396	9323	75.21
Telangana	30023	2772	9.23	12193	6917	56.73
Tripura	4262	682	16.00	363	175	48.21
Uttar Pradesh	137024	12074	8.81	97808	35701	36.50
Uttarakhand	16484	2575	15.62	5225	3245	62.11
West Bengal	83302	12918	15.51	9750	2565	26.31
INDIA	1022386	247000	24.16	335844	200274	59.63

Source: UDISE+ 2021-22