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**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION No - 1955**  
ANSWERED ON - 06/08/2025

**Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) in Odisha**

1955 **Shri Niranjan Bishi:**

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

- (a) whether there is a proposal to establish new Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) in tribal-dominated blocks of Odisha where dropout rates among adolescent girls are high; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**A N S W E R**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): Two new Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) have been sanctioned by the Project Approval Board for the State of Odisha in the FY 2025-26 to address the problems of high dropout rate among girls in the Socio-economically Disadvantaged Groups dominated blocks. The details of these KGBVs are given here:-

Name of District	Name of Block	Number of approved KGBV	Approved outlay (Rs. in lakh)
Kendrapara	Mahakalpada	1	275.00
Bhadrak	Tihidi	1	275.00

Further, total of 329 KGBVs are functional in the State of Odisha with an enrolment of 48,509 girls including 17,077 ST girls.

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