

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2067**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06/08/2025

**EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS**

**2067. SHRI CHANDRAKANT DAMODAR HANDORE:**

Will the Minister of Tribal Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of schools operational, sanctioned, under-construction and proposed under Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), State-wise/UT-wise details particularly in Maharashtra;
- (b) the details of the works executed/achievements made till date under this scheme in the country, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (c) the details of the process for recruitment of teachers in EMRS; and
- (d) whether there is any provision under EMRS for promoting local tribal language area-wise and whether in recruitments, local tribal language teachers are being given preference, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS

(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) The State/UT-wise details of approved, sanctioned, functional, and under-construction Eklavya Model Residential School(EMRS), including for Maharashtra, are as follows:

S. No.	Name of State/UTs	Approved	Sanctioned	Functional	Under Construction
1	Andhra Pradesh	28	28	28	7
2	Arunachal Pradesh	11	10	5	3
3	Assam	17	17	1	6
4	Bihar	3	3	2	1
5	Chhattisgarh	75	75	75	21
6	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	1	1	1	1
7	Gujarat	47	47	38	11
8	Himachal Pradesh	4	4	4	1
9	Jammu & Kashmir	6	6	6	3
10	Jharkhand	91	90	51	34
11	Karnataka	12	12	12	0
12	Kerala	4	4	4	1
13	Ladakh	3	3		0
14	Madhya Pradesh	71	71	63	18
<b>15</b>	<b>Maharashtra</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>15</b>
16	Manipur	21	21	5	12
17	Meghalaya	38	37		13
18	Mizoram	17	17	11	2

19	Nagaland	22	22	3	19
20	Odisha	114	111	47	50
21	Rajasthan	31	31	30	1
22	Sikkim	4	4	4	0
23	Tamil Nadu	8	8	8	1
24	Telangana	23	23	23	3
25	Tripura	21	21	6	10
26	Uttar Pradesh	4	4	3	0
27	Uttarakhand	4	4	4	2
28	West Bengal	9	9	8	0
	<b>Total</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>722</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>235</b>

(b) The details of work executed under the EMRS scheme at the national level and in the state of Maharashtra are as under:

Location	Sanctioned	Functional	Work Completed	Under Construction	Pre-Construction Stage
Total (In country)	722	479	377	235	110
Maharashtra	39	37	18	15	6

(c) and (d) Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, GoI has sanctioned a total 38,480 teaching and non-teaching posts for Ekalavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) @ 52 posts per EMRS across the country to be recruited in phase-wise manner. The requirement of posts is assessed by the respective State EMRS Societies based on actual vacancies, progress of school construction and their operationalization. Accordingly, the first phase of recruitment was undertaken by the National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs, responsible for planning, constructing, establishing, endowing, and administering EMRSs. In this phase direct recruitment for 10,391 posts was conducted through the EMRS Staff Selection Exam (ESSE)-2023. The recruitment process included notification of advertisement, conduct of recruitment test, conducting interviews for the post of Principal and Skill test for the post of JSA followed by document verification of the shortlisted candidates. Appointment cum posting orders were issued to successful candidates.

To promote regional languages, the recruitment test for Trained Graduate Teachers (TGTs) includes a component on assessing regional language competency. Also, as per the terms of the appointment order, it is mandatory for all selected candidates to qualify the regional language proficiency test within their probation period. To support this requirement, arrangements have been made to conduct sessions on regional/local languages in collaboration with State Educational Societies. While posting teaching and non-teaching staff, preference is given to ST Candidates from the State depending on the vacancy.

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