

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

**RAJYA SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1164  
ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025**

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

1164 **Smt. Ranjeet Ranjan:**  
**Shri Digvijaya Singh:**

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

- (a) the number of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) sanctioned, operational, and under construction during last five years, State-wise/UT-wise and year-wise;
- (b) total enrollment, dropout, and retention rates of girls in KGBVs during the same period;
- (c) State-wise/UT-wise, year-wise and category-wise break-up of enrolment by Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST), Other Backward Classes (OBC), and Below Poverty Line (BPL) categories;
- (d) average teacher-student ratio maintained in KGBVs during last five years, Statewise/UT-wise; and
- (e) the details of the coverage and implementation of the KGBV scheme since its merger with the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan to include classes 6 to 12?

**A N S W E R**

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

(a) to (e): The Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) are residential schools for girls belonging to Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) such as Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Other Backward Class, Economically Weaker Section of the society in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs). The objective of the scheme is to ensure access to quality education for girls from SEDGs and reduce the gender gap at the elementary to senior secondary level by setting up residential schools with boarding facilities.

The KGBV Scheme was launched in 2004-05 for Classes VI-VIII to provide residential education for girls from ST, SC, OBC, Minority, and BPL communities. It was merged with the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) with effect from April 1, 2007. Another scheme, titled “Construction of Girls’ Hostel in Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools” for Class IX-XII girls, was launched in 2009-10 and merged with Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) in 2014.

In 2018-19, the KGBV component of SSA and the Girls’ Hostel component of RMSA were merged under Samagra Shiksha as KGBVs, bringing all hostels under a single framework. Samagra Shiksha envisaged upgrading all KGBVs up to Class XII. To streamline the existing and upgraded KGBVs, these were categorised into four types, which are at present functional forms:-

|                 |            |                            |
|-----------------|------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Type I</b>   | VI to VIII | School+Hostel/ Only Hostel |
| <b>Type II</b>  | VI-X       | School+Hostel/ Only Hostel |
| <b>Type III</b> | VI-XII     | School+Hostel/ Only Hostel |
| <b>Type IV</b>  | IX-XII     | Only Hostel                |

The task of upgrading the KGBVs up to class X and XII was initiated in the year 2018-19, and by 31st March 2025, a total of 2,682 KGBVs have been upgraded, out of which 317 are up to Class X and 2,365 are up to Class XII.

State-wise/UT-wise details of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) approved and functional as on 05.12.2025 are at **Annexure-I**.

The details of total enrollment of girls in KGBVs during the last five years is as follows:-

| <b>Sl. No.</b> | <b>Year</b>    | <b>Total no. of girls enrolled</b> |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>       | <b>2020-21</b> | 6,07,771                           |
| <b>2</b>       | <b>2021-22</b> | 6,50,690                           |
| <b>3</b>       | <b>2022-23</b> | 6,69,070                           |
| <b>4</b>       | <b>2023-24</b> | 6,91,304                           |
| <b>5</b>       | <b>2024-25</b> | 7,11,505                           |

The details of overall dropout, and retention rates of girls in Government schools including KGBV as per UDISE+ are as follows:-

|                       | <b>Year</b>               | <b>2022-23</b> | <b>2023-24</b> | <b>2024-25</b> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Drop-Out Rate</b>  | <b>Middle (VI-VIII)</b>   | 8.3            | 5.3            | 2.9            |
|                       | <b>Secondary (IX-XII)</b> | 12.6           | 9.4            | 6.6            |
| <b>Retention Rate</b> | <b>Middle (VI-VIII)</b>   | 76.4           | 78.9           | 84.2           |
|                       | <b>Secondary (IX-XII)</b> | 45.1           | 47.5           | 49.6           |
| Source: UDISE+        |                           |                |                |                |

State-wise/UT-wise details of category-wise break-up of enrolment of girls in KGBVs as on 05.12.2025 are at **Annexure-II**.

Based on the information submitted by the States/UTs for the period 2020–21 to 2024–25, the Teacher- Student Ratio data is at **Annexure-III**.

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**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1164 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2025 ASKED BY SMT. RANJEET RANJAN AND SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH, HON'BLE M.Ps. REGARDING "STATUS IN KASTURBA GANDHI BALIKA VIDYALAYAS (KGBVs)".**

State-wise/UT-wise details of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) approved and functional as on 05.12.2025:-

| <b>S. No.</b>    | <b>Name of State/UT</b> | <b>Total KGBVs Approved<br/>(since inception<br/>including last 5 years)</b> | <b>Total KGBVs Functional<br/>(as on 05.12.2025)</b> |
|------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| 1                | Andhra Pradesh          | 587  | 499  |
| 2                | Arunachal Pradesh       | 82   | 78   |
| 3                | Assam                   | 162  | 151  |
| 4                | Bihar                   | 727  | 683  |
| 5                | Chhattisgarh            | 121  | 121  |
| 6                | DNH & DD                | 2  | 2  |
| 7                | Gujarat                 | 170  | 168  |
| 8                | Haryana                 | 72   | 65   |
| 9                | Himachal Pradesh        | 14   | 14   |
| 10               | Jammu and Kashmir       | 176  | 94   |
| 11               | Jharkhand               | 203  | 203  |
| 12               | Karnataka               | 146  | 145  |
| 13               | Kerala                  | 1  | 1  |
| 14               | Ladakh                  | 20   | 15   |
| 15               | Madhya Pradesh          | 408  | 408  |
| 16               | Maharashtra             | 86   | 85   |
| 17               | Manipur                 | 12   | 12   |
| 18               | Meghalaya               | 19   | 10   |
| 19               | Mizoram                 | 2  | 2  |
| 20               | Nagaland                | 22   | 22   |
| 21               | Odisha                  | 355  | 324  |
| 22               | Punjab                  | 29   | 29   |
| 23               | Rajasthan               | 316  | 316  |
| 24               | Sikkim                  | 1  | 1  |
| 25               | Tamil Nadu              | 105  | 105  |
| 26               | Telangana               | 736  | 721  |
| 27               | Tripura                 | 15   | 15   |
| 28               | Uttar Pradesh           | 841  | 783  |
| 29               | Uttarakhand             | 40   | 39   |
| 30               | West Bengal             | 169  | 158  |
| <b>Total</b>     |                         | <b>5639</b>  | <b>5269</b>  |
| Source: Prabandh |                         |  |  |

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State-wise/UT-wise details of category-wise break-up of enrolment of girls in KGBVs as on 05.12.2025:-

| S. No.           | Name of State/UT  | Category wise enrolment |               |               |               | Total         |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                  |                   | SC                      | ST            | OBC           | Others        |               |
| 1                | Andhra Pradesh    | 29825                   | 12529         | 52036         | 9343          | 103733        |
| 2                | Arunachal Pradesh | 0                       | 8993          | 0             | 0             | 8993          |
| 3                | Assam             | 985                     | 7846          | 4229          | 8107          | 21167         |
| 4                | Bihar             | 32344                   | 6336          | 22152         | 4606          | 65438         |
| 5                | Chhattisgarh      | 2289                    | 12637         | 3427          | 18533         | 36886         |
| 6                | DNH & DD          | 0                       | 148           | 0             | 0             | 148           |
| 7                | Gujarat           | 1928                    | 4791          | 7594          | 5226          | 19539         |
| 8                | Haryana           | 837                     | 0             | 445           | 576           | 1858          |
| 9                | Himachal Pradesh  | 355                     | 142           | 12            | 399           | 908           |
| 10               | Jammu and Kashmir | 376                     | 2020          | 626           | 5510          | 8532          |
| 11               | Jharkhand         | 10394                   | 27810         | 21509         | 11337         | 71050         |
| 12               | Karnataka         | 4390                    | 2178          | 4053          | 3843          | 14464         |
| 13               | Kerala            | 6                       | 28            | 8             | 38            | 80            |
| 14               | Ladakh            | 0                       | 428           | 0             | 106           | 534           |
| 15               | Madhya Pradesh    | 11518                   | 15702         | 10421         | 19630         | 57271         |
| 16               | Maharashtra       | 1369                    | 3289          | 2024          | 1309          | 7991          |
| 17               | Manipur           | 112                     | 1269          | 535           | 211           | 2127          |
| 18               | Meghalaya         | 0                       | 900           | 0             | 0             | 900           |
| 19               | Mizoram           | 0                       | 150           | 0             | 0             | 150           |
| 20               | Nagaland          | 0                       | 100           | 0             | 0             | 100           |
| 21               | Odisha            | 10283                   | 18335         | 11168         | 1213          | 40999         |
| 22               | Punjab            | 2584                    | 0             | 313           | 294           | 3191          |
| 23               | Rajasthan         | 16409                   | 13467         | 10207         | 2312          | 42395         |
| 24               | Sikkim            | 10                      | 72            | 72            | 2             | 156           |
| 25               | Tamil Nadu        | 2643                    | 2467          | 4568          | 33            | 9711          |
| 26               | Telangana         | 31036                   | 29810         | 74572         | 6353          | 141771        |
| 27               | Tripura           | 33                      | 1813          | 34            | 0             | 1880          |
| 28               | Uttar Pradesh     | 43171                   | 1493          | 32195         | 9287          | 86146         |
| 29               | Uttarakhand       | 1819                    | 457           | 1026          | 713           | 4015          |
| 30               | West Bengal       | 1581                    | 1799          | 949           | 1826          | 6155          |
| <b>Total</b>     |                   | <b>206297</b>           | <b>177009</b> | <b>264175</b> | <b>110807</b> | <b>758288</b> |
| Source: Prabandh |                   |                         |               |               |               |               |

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Based on the information submitted by the States/UTs for the period 2020–21 to 2024–25, the Teacher-Student Ratio data is as below:-

| S. No.                       | Name of State/UT  | Teacher-student ratio             |         |         |         |         |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                              |                   | 2020-21                           | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
| 1                            | Andhra Pradesh    | 1:21                              | 1:21    | 1:21    | 1:21    | 1:21    |
| 2                            | Arunachal Pradesh | 1:25                              | 1:25    | 1:25    | 1:25    | 1:25    |
| 3                            | Assam             | 1:8                               | 1:8     | 1:10    | 1:10    | 1:10    |
| 4                            | Bihar             | -                                 | -       | 1:33    | 1:28    | 1:39    |
| 5                            | Chhattisgarh      | -                                 | 1:27    | 1:28    | 1:28    | 1:30    |
| 6                            | DNH & DD          | 1:13                              | 1:29    | 1:15    | 1:12    | 1:24    |
| 7                            | Gujarat           | 1:20                              | 1:20    | 1:20    | 1:20    | 1:20    |
| 8                            | Haryana           | 1:24                              | 1:26    | 1:28    | 1:19    | 1:17    |
| 9                            | Himachal Pradesh  | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 10                           | Jammu and Kashmir | 1:13                              | 1:13    | 1:13    | 1:13    | 1:11    |
| 11                           | Jharkhand         | 1:50                              | 1:50    | 1:50    | 1:50    | 1:50    |
| 12                           | Karnataka         | 1:30                              | 1:30    | 1:30    | 1:30    | 1:30    |
| 13                           | Kerala            | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 14                           | Ladakh            | 1:6                               | 1:6     | 1:6     | 1:6     | 1:6     |
| 15                           | Madhya Pradesh    | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 16                           | Maharashtra       | 1:18                              | 1:18    | 1:20    | 1:21    | 1:22    |
| 17                           | Manipur           | 1:19                              | 1:20    | 1:18    | 1:16    | 1:16    |
| 18                           | Meghalaya         | -                                 | 1:10    | 1:15    | 1:20    | 1:20    |
| 19                           | Mizoram           | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 20                           | Nagaland          | 1:33                              | 1:33    | 1:33    | 1:33    | 1:33    |
| 21                           | Odisha            | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 22                           | Punjab            | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 23                           | Rajasthan         | 1:25                              | 1:25    | 1:25    | 1:25    | 1:25    |
| 24                           | Sikkim            | 1:19                              | 1:19    | 1:19    | 1:19    | 1:19    |
| 25                           | Tamil Nadu        | 1:20                              | 1:20    | 1:20    | 1:20    | 1:20    |
| 26                           | Telangana         | 1:14                              | 1:14    | 1:15    | 1:16    | 1:16    |
| 27                           | Tripura           | 1:30                              | 1:30    | 1:30    | 1:30    | 1:30    |
| 28                           | Uttar Pradesh     | 1:14                              | 1:19    | 1:17    | 1:17    | 1:16    |
| 29                           | Uttarakhand       | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| 30                           | West Bengal       | KGBV hostels are residential only |         |         |         |         |
| Source: State/UT Governments |                   |                                   |         |         |         |         |

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