

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO – 533
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Closure of government schools

533 Dr. John Brittas:

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

- (a) total number of Government and private schools currently functioning in the country;
- (b) the State-wise details thereof;
- (c) the number of Government schools closed during the last five years and the number of private schools opened in the same period;
- (d) the state-wise details thereof; and
- (e) total number of students enrolled in Government schools at the time of their closure, including the number of zero-enrolment schools closed, State-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Education is in the Concurrent list of the Constitution and the opening, closing and rationalisation of schools are within the purview of respective State Government and UT Administration. As per UDISE+ (Unified District Information System for Education Plus), State/UT wise number of Government and private schools from the year 2020-21 to 2024-25 is available at https://www.education.gov.in/en/parl_ques.
