

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1849
TO BE ANSWERED ON 28th NOVEMBER, 2016**

Resource Centres for Academic Support

1849. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set up resource centres in every district to provide academic support to schools and colleges and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether there are any districts in the country which do not have such centres and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the details of the kind of support these centres provide to local education institutes;
- (d) whether these centres have been working efficiently and the details of any study conducted by the Government to assess the effectiveness of these centres; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)**

(a) to (c): The Central Government implements the flagship programme of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) for universalizing elementary education. SSA mandates the setting up of a Block Resource Centre (BRC) in each Community Development (CD) Block and Cluster Resource Centre (CRC) in every Cluster of approximately 18-20 schools, for providing training and on-site support to schools and teachers. SSA provides institutional support to these BRCs and CRCs.

Every district under SSA is covered by BRCs and CRCs. At the BRC level, there is a provision of six Resource Persons for subject specific teaching, two Resource Persons for Inclusive Education for children with special needs, and at the CRC level there is a provision of one CRC Coordinator to provide academic support to schools. Details of the sanctioned and operational BRCs and CRCs under the SSA are at Annexure I.

(d) & (e): In 2010, the Ministry of Human Resource Development conducted a study titled “Study of Effectiveness of BRCs and CRCs in providing Academic Support to Elementary Schools” to assess the performance of BRCs and CRCs and their support to elementary schools. The Study covered 14 States, viz. Assam, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Jharkhand, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Punjab, Mizoram, Karnataka, Kerala, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh & West Bengal. The major findings of the study include, inter alia; greater need for focus of Resource Persons on academic work, capacity building of Resource Persons, and need for Information Technology (IT) enablement. The Report acknowledged that training given to teachers through the BRCs and CRCs was satisfactory.

Annexure I

Annexure-I referred to in reply to parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No1849 for answer on 28.11.2016 asked by Shri Ram Mohan Naidu Kinjarapu regarding Resource Centres for Academic Support.

Status of Academic Support through BRCs and CRCs, 2015-16

Sl. No.	State	BRCs			CRCs		
		Sanctioned	Operational	Percentage	Sanctioned	Operational	Percentage
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	9	9	100%	37	37	100%
2	Andhra Pradesh	670	670	100%	4034	4034	100%
3	Arunachal Pradesh	100	100	100%	221	221	100%
4	Assam	145	145	100%	3416	3416	100%
5	Bihar	537	537	100%	5755	5755	100%
6	Chandigarh	1	1	100%	20	20	100%
7	Chhattisgarh	150	150	100%	2703	2703	100%
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	1	100%	11	11	100%
9	Daman & Diu	2	2	100%	7	3	43%
10	Delhi	28	13	46%	136	136	100%
11	Goa	12	12	100%	105	105	100%
12	Gujarat	239	208	87%	4268	4268	100%
13	Haryana	119	119	100%	1487	1487	100%
14	Himachal Pradesh	77	77	100%	2102	2102	100%
15	Jammu & Kashmir	143	143	100%	1600	1600	100%
16	Jharkhand	264	264	100%	2264	2264	100%
17	Karnataka	204	204	100%	4103	4103	100%
18	Kerala	159	159	100%	1385	1385	100%
19	Lakshadweep	3	3	100%	9	9	100%
20	Madhya Pradesh	322	322	100%	6198	6198	100%
21	Maharashtra	408	408	100%	6170	6170	100%
22	Manipur	35	35	100%	225	225	100%
23	Meghalaya	39	39	100%	611	611	100%
24	Mizoram	26	26	100%	171	171	100%
25	Nagaland	46	46	100%	125	125	100%
26	Odisha	316	316	100%	4806	4806	100%
27	Puducherry	6	6	100%	34	30	88%
28	Punjab	144	144	100%	1499	1499	100%
29	Rajasthan	256	256	100%	3074	3074	100%
30	Sikkim	29	29	100%	111	111	100%
31	Tamil Nadu	413	413	100%	4088	4088	100%
32	Telangana	467	467	100%	1766	1766	100%
33	Tripura	41	41	100%	332	332	100%
34	Uttar Pradesh	880	880	100%	8249	8249	100%
35	Uttarakhand	95	95	100%	994	994	100%
36	West Bengal	364	364	100%	4217	4217	100%
	Total	6750	6704	99.32%	76333	76325	99.99%