LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 347
TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017

Smart Schools

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

(a) whether the Union Government has received proposals from various States, including Uttar Pradesh for setting up of smart schools and if so, the details thereof;

(b)whether the Government has accorded administrative and financial approval to these proposals and if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the time by which the said proposals are likely to be accorded approval?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN PARTS (a) TO (c) OF THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 347 REGARDING "SMART SCHOOLS" FOR ANSWER ON 27.03.2017 ASKED BY SHRI DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE

(a) to (c) The "Information and Communication Technology in School" (ICT) component of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) provides for opportunities to secondary stage students to build their capacity in ICT skills and make them learn through computer aided learning process, giving priority for coverage of schools in Educationally Backward Blocks and in areas having concentration of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Minority & Weaker Sections. The Scheme covers Government and Government aided secondary and higher secondary schools. The ICT component of RMSA also has a provision for setting up of Smart schools to act as "Technology Demonstrators" and to propagate ICT skills among students of neighborhood schools. So far 88,078 schools and 43 Smart Schools have been approved under the ICT component of RMSA. Both the components of the Scheme provide for financial assistance for capital expenditure as well as recurring costs, including software such as learning management systems & curriculum based courseware.

In case of Uttar Pradesh, 5608 schools are approved so far. 5 Smart Schools were also approved in 2011-12, but due to non-implementation of the smart schools approved under the ICT in School Scheme by the State Government, the approval of the 05 Smart Schools was cancelled in 2015-16.

Every year, the States/ UTs prepare their Annual Work Plan & Budget proposal for approval under the RMSA scheme, including for the component of ICT in Schools. The viable proposals under the "ICT in Schools" component including of Smart Schools of the States/ Union Territories (UTs) are considered and approved under RMSA in the presence of State/ UT concerned. A statement indicating the State-wise details of proposals received and approved along with reasons for non- approval for the year 2017-18 is attached as **Annexure**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 347 TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.03.2017 ASKED BY DEVENDRA SINGH BHOLE REGARDING "SMART SCHOOLS"

Sl. No	Name of the State / UT	Normal schools under ICT			Smart Schools under ICT		
		Proposal	Approval	Remarks	Proposal	Approval	Remarks
1	A & N Islands	45	31	Approved for 31 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
2	Andhra Pradesh	1075	-	Not approved as all eligible schools were already covered under ICT component of RMSA	Proposal for setting up 2542 Smart schools received.	-	Not approved as all eligible schools were already covered under ICT component of RMSA.
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	21	-	Not approved as previously approved schools have not yet been implemented by the state	No proposal		
4	Assam	234	100	Approved for 100 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
5	Bihar	488	380	Approved for 380 Schools having enrolment more than 300	Proposal for setting up Virtual Classroom in 38 schools per district received.	-	It was suggested that the State Government may meet the expenditure out of state funds.
6	Chandigarh	3	2	Approved for 2 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
7	Chhattisgarh	372	-	Not approved as all eligible schools were already covered under ICT component of RMSA	No proposal		
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	No proposal			No proposal		
9	Daman & Diu	-			-	-	-
10	Delhi	1174	-	Not approved as all eligible schools were already covered under ICT component of RMSA	Proposal for installing Smart Boards in 1034 Schools @Rs. 1.25 lakh per school received.	517 schools	517 schools @Rs. 70000 per school on pilot basis was approved.
11	Goa	56	-	Not approved as all eligible schools were already covered under ICT component of RMSA	No proposal		
12	Gujarat	217	-	Not approved, as schools approved in year 2016-2017 have not been implemented so far.	No proposal		
13	Haryana	2704	-	Not approved as all eligible schools were already covered under ICT component of RMSA	No proposal		
14	Himachal Pradesh	2007	20	Approved for 20 schools having electricity, Computer Room and enrolment	Proposal for Digital Smart Classes for 131 schools.		It was suggested to the State Government that the project may be implemented with state funds.

Sl. No.	Name of the State / UT	Normal schools under ICT			Smart Schools under ICT		
		Proposal	Approval	Remarks	Proposal	Approval	Remarks
15	Jammu & Kashmir	1822	350	Approved for 350 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
16	Jharkhand	1983	449	Approved for 449 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
17	Karnataka	No proposal			No proposal		
18	Kerala	55	18	Approved for 18 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
19	Lakshadweep	No proposal			No proposal		
20	Madhya Pradesh	No proposal			No proposal		
21	Maharashtra	4996	-	Not approved as schools approved earlier are yet to be implemented by the state.	No proposal		
22	Manipur	147	8	Approved for 8 schools having electricity, Computer room	No Proposal		
23	Meghalaya	160	8	Approved for 8 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
24	Mizoram	No proposal			No proposal		
25	Nagaland	6	-	Not approved due to discrepancy of Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) Code in previously approved schools	No proposal		
26	Odisha	No proposal			No proposal		
27	Puducherry	105	-	Not approved as previously approved schools are yet to be implemented by the UT.	No proposal		
28	Punjab	447	100	Approved for 100 schools having electricity, Computer room	No proposal		
29	Rajasthan	6628	-	Not approved, due to state prioritizing other interventions such as New Schools and Strengthening from the available funds.	Proposal for setting up 19 Smart schools received		Not approved, due to state prioritizing other interventions such as New Schools and Strengthening from the available funds.
30	Sikkim	14	6	Approved 6 eligible schools having electricity and adequate enrollment.	No proposal		
31	Tami Nadu	No proposal					
32	Telangana	800	-	Not approved, due to state prioritizing other interventions from the available funds.	Proposal for Digital classroom in 4997 schools @Rs. 90,000 per school received.		Not approved due to state prioritizing other interventions from the available funds
33	Tripura	8	-	Not approved as previously approved schools are yet to be implemented by the State	Proposal for setting up 19 Smart schools received		Not approved due to non-implementation of ICT in school scheme in previously approved schools.
34	Uttar Pradesh	1608	-	Meeting to consider the proposal is yet to be held.	No proposal		
35	Uttrakhand	No proposal			No proposal		
36	West Bengal	520	-	Not approved as previously approved schools are yet to be implemented by the State	No proposal		