

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

**LOK SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO. 514  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.04.2017**

**Hostels for girls**

†\*514. SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up hostels and residential schools for girl students including those studying at the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas in the educationally backward blocks in the country and if so, the details thereof ;
- (b) whether the target can be completed by making residential provision merely for hundred girls in educationally backward blocks; and
- (c) if not, the time by which the hostels are likely to be completed?

**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 REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NUMBER 514 FOR REPLY ON 10.04.2017 ASKED BY SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA REGARDING HOSTELS FOR GIRLS

(a) : Yes, Madam. The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has provision for setting up of Girls Hostels under Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya (KGBV) component of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) and Girls' Hostel component of Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) in the Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs).

The EBBs have been identified on the basis of composite criteria of blocks with a rural Female Literacy Rate (FLR) below the national average of 46.13% and Gender Gap in Literacy higher than the national average of 21.59%, as per Census 2001.

KGBVs provide residential upper primary schools to girls who are unable to go to regular schools, out of school girls in the 10+ age group who are unable to complete primary school and younger girls of migratory populations in difficult areas of scattered habitations that do not qualify for primary/upper primary schools. The KGBVs have a capacity of 50 to 100.

Construction and Running of Girls' Hostel component under RMSA provides for hostel facilities for girl students in the age group of 14-18 years studying in classes IX to XII and belonging to SC, ST,OBC, Minority communities and Below Poverty Line families. The scheme provides for setting up of hostels with lodging and boarding facilities in the Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs) and areas nearing concentration of above target groups so that the girl students are not denied the opportunity to continue their study at the secondary stage due to societal factors. The Girls Hostels are preferably located in the compounds of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidhyalaya (KGBVs) or secondary/higher secondary school or in their vicinity, wherever land is available, as selected by the State/UT Government. The Girls' Hostels have a capacity of 100.

( b ) & ( c ) :Under SSA, 3600 KGBVs are operational with an enrollment of 3.66 lakh girls students. Under RMSA, girls hostels have been approved in 2483 EBBs. Against which, construction has been completed in 1164 girls hostels and 1149 are functional with a total enrollment of 104277 girls students.

The completion of construction of girls hostels mainly depends on provision of land and timely execution of works by the State Governments.

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