

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1595  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5.3.2018  
CENTRAL HINDI DIRECTORATE**

**1595. DR. K. GOPAL :**

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

- (a) the details of the Personal Contact Programme (PCP) conducted by the Central Hindi Directorate for the benefit of the students of correspondence courses in non-Hindi speaking States during the last three years, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether according to the highest number of students strength, the number of PCP held in Tamil Nadu is more than other non-Hindi speaking States of India during the said period and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether in any non-Hindi speaking State, any new PCP centre(s) had been opened for the benefits of the Correspondence Course students during the said period and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the details of the total number of exam centres, where the exams were conducted for Correspondence Course students of Central Hindi Directorate with Students' strength during the said period, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) whether in any non-Hindi speaking State, new exam centre(s) had been opened for the benefits of the Correspondence Course students during the said period and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(DR. SATYA PAL SINGH)**

- (a) The details of Personal Contact Programme (PCP) conducted by Central Hindi Directorate for the benefit of the students of correspondence courses in non-Hindi speaking States during last three years, State/UT-wise are as follows:

| State       | 2014-15 | 2015-16 | 2016-17 |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Kerala      | -       | 1       | 2       |
| Tamil Nadu  | 7       | 8       | 11      |
| West Bengal | 3       | 3       | 6       |
| Karnataka   | 1       | -       | -       |
| Meghalaya   | -       | 1       | -       |
| Assam       | -       | 1       | -       |
| Pudduchery  | 1       | -       | -       |

(b) According to the highest number of students strength, the number of Personal Contact Programmes (PCP) in Tamil Nadu is more than other non-Hindi speaking states during 2014-15 to 2016-17, as evident from the table at Part (a) reply.

(c) New PCP Centres had been opened in non-Hindi speaking states as mentioned below:

**2014-15:** Hossur (T.N.), **2015-16:** Hooghly (W.B.), Birbhum (W.B.), Thiruvannimalai (T.N.), **2016-17:** Cuddlore (T.N.), Howrah (W.B.)

(d) The details of total no. of exam Centers (State-wise) opened during the said period along with Students' strength are as follows:

| State           | Number of Centers | Student strength |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Andhra Pradesh  | 04                | 18               |
| Assam           | 02                | 27               |
| New Delhi       | 01                | 19               |
| Goa             | 01                | 03               |
| Gujarat         | 01                | 12               |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 02                | 01               |
| Karnataka       | 03                | 52               |
| Kerala          | 07                | 168              |
| Maharashtra     | 02                | 09               |
| Manipur         | 01                | 04               |
| Meghalaya       | 01                | 01               |
| Orrisa          | 04                | 66               |
| Punjab          | 02                | 14               |
| Pudducherry     | 01                | 56               |
| Tamil Nadu      | 20                | 2399             |
| Tripura         | 02                | 12               |
| West Bengal     | 08                | 149              |
| Nagaland        | 01                | 01               |

(e) New Exam Centers had been opened during the said period. The State-wise details are as follows:

| State       | Number of Centres |
|-------------|-------------------|
| West Bengal | 01                |
| Tamil Nadu  | 03                |

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