

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

LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3105  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2018

**Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas and Hostels**

†3105. SHRI PRAHLAD SINGH PATEL:  
SHRI MANSUKHBHAI DHANJIBHAI VASAVA:  
SHRI HARISHCHANDRA CHAVAN:

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

- (a) the number of Kasturba Gandhi girls hostels and other girls hostels running in the country including Madhya Pradesh under “Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan” along with the number of girls living in them;
- (b) the number of girls hostels running under Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) along with the number of girls living in them;
- (c) whether due to shortage of hostel facilities at higher secondary level in comparison to the number of girls living in the hostels for secondary level students is creating hurdles in the education of girl students;
- (d) if so, whether the Government proposes to increase the hostel facility and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government is also considering to upgrade all the Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas in the country and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) if not, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereon?

**A N S W E R**

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

(a) & (b): There are 3703 KGBVs in the country which were sanctioned under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), out of which 3697 KGBVs are operational, enrolling 3.78 lakh girls out of which, 207 KGBVs are sanctioned and operational enrolling 29,325 girls in the State of Madhya Pradesh. Out of the total of the 2549 Girls Hostels sanctioned under the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), 1314 Girls Hostels are functional enrolling 1.20 lakh girls out of which 201 Girls Hostels were sanctioned and are functional having enrolment of 19,833 girls, in the State of Madhya Pradesh.

Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) are residential schools for girls belonging to disadvantaged groups such as SC, ST, OBC, Minority and Below Poverty Line families. Till 2017-18, KGBVs were sanctioned for the upper primary level under Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan.

The Girls Hostel Component of erstwhile scheme of RMSA provided hostel facility 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.

(c) to (e): Under the newly launched Integrated Scheme of School Education - Samagra Shiksha effective from the year 2018-19, provision has been made to upgrade the existing KGBVs at upper primary level to upto Senior Secondary level with a capacity of 150-250 girls in convergence with the erstwhile Girls Hostel Scheme. The scheme envisages to provide access and quality education to girls from disadvantaged groups by setting up residential schools from upper primary to senior secondary level and to ensure smooth transition of girls from elementary to secondary and up to class XII wherever possible, by ensuring the facility of at-least one residential school for girls from Classes VI-XII in every educationally backward block.

(f): Does not arise.

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