

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †179
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2019**

Single Teacher Schools

†179. SHRI GOPAL SHETTY:

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

- (a) whether there are more than 1 lakh Government primary and secondary schools in the country having only one teacher and if so, the details of such schools, State-wise;
- (b) the scheme being formulated by the Government to supplement the State's efforts particularly in relation to such schools; and
- (c) whether any specific scheme is likely to be implemented to ensure the student-teacher ratio in such schools adequately and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a): As per Unified District Information System of Education (UDISE), 2016-17 (Provisional), there are 92275 single-teacher Government schools at both elementary level and secondary level. State/UT-wise details of such schools are at **Annexure**.

(b) & (c): The RTE Act, 2009 in its Schedule lays down Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) for both primary and upper primary schools. At primary level, the PTR norm is 30:1 and at the upper primary level it is 35:1. As per the Unified District Information System For Education (UDISE) 2015-16, the PTR at national level for primary schools is 23:1, for upper primary schools is 17:1 and for Secondary level is 27:1. However, the recruitment, service conditions and redeployment of teachers are primarily in the domain of respective State Governments and Union Territories (UT) Administrations. The Central Government through the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha provides assistance to State Governments/UTs for additional teachers to maintain

appropriate Pupil Teacher Ratio as per the requirements of the States/UTs. The Central Government has been consistently pursuing the matter of expeditious recruitment and redeployment of teachers with the States and UTs at various fora. Advisories on this issue have also been issued to States and UTs from time to time. The steps taken by the Central Government to improve teachers' performance include, inter alia, regular in-service teachers' training, induction training for newly recruited teachers, academic support for teachers and monitoring teachers' attendance through School Management Committees/School Management Development Committees/Block Resource Centres/Clusters Resource Centres. States and UTs are also encouraged to use digital technology like installation of Bio-metric attendance system in schools.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †179 ASKED BY SHRI GOPAL SHETTY TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2019 REGARDING SINGLE TEACHER SCHOOLS

Sl. No.	State	Single Teacher
		Total number of single teacher schools
1.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0
2.	Andhra Pradesh	7483
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	1077
4.	Assam	4624
5.	Bihar	3483
6.	Chandigarh	0
7.	Chhattisgarh	2810
8.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	0
9.	Daman & Diu	3
10.	Delhi	5
11.	Goa	292
12.	Gujarat	985
13.	Haryana	879
14.	Himachal Pradesh	1214
15.	Jammu & Kashmir	1758
16.	Jharkhand	7564
17.	Karnataka	4767
18.	Kerala	294
19.	Lakshadweep	0
20.	Madhya Pradesh	18307
21.	Maharashtra	2784
22.	Manipur	340
23.	Meghalaya	217
24.	Mizoram	66
25.	Nagaland	31
26.	Odisha	1218
27.	Puducherry	0
28.	Punjab	899
29.	Rajasthan	12052
30.	Sikkim	1
31.	Tamil nadu	829
32.	Telangana	4587
33.	Tripura	0
34.	Uttar Pradesh	8092
35.	Uttarakhand	1858
36.	West Bengal	3756
	INDIA	92275

Source UDISE 2016-17 (Provisional)