

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.22
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019**

SHORTAGE OF SANSKRIT TEACHERS IN UNIVERSITIES

†* 22. **SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:**

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

- (a) whether there is an acute shortage of Sanskrit teachers in the universities of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan;
- (c) the extent to which the teacher-student ratio is lower in Sanskrit universities in comparison to the fixed standard ratio; and
- (d) the details of the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 22 ASKED BY SHRI RAHUL KASWAN REGARDING SHORTAGE OF SANSKRIT TEACHERS IN UNIVERSITIES TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019

(a) to (d): There are about (120) universities in the Country which offer Sanskrit as a subject or language. There are (15) Sanskrit universities, of which (3) are deemed universities fully funded by the Central Government and (12) Universities funded by the State Governments. There are (1000) traditional Sanskrit colleges affiliated to these Universities, with about 10 lakh students.

The details of State/ Union Territory wise teachers in the Sanskrit Universities / institutions funded by Central / State Governments and Central Universities are given below:

Sl. No.	State	No. of posts sanctioned	Filled up	Vacancy
1	Andhra Pradesh	109	71	38
2	Assam	27	12	15
3	Bihar	350	122	228
4	Delhi	490	327	163
5	Gujarat	26	14	12
6	Haryana	2	0	2
7	Himachal Pradesh	10	4	6
8	Karnataka	45	27	28
9	Kerala	220	173	47
10	Maharashtra	38	20	18
11	Madhya Pradesh	37	11	26
12	Odisha	45	15	30
13	Rajasthan	44	24	20
14	Telangana	4	2	2
15	Tripura	8	5	3
16	Uttarpradesh	172	59	113
17	Pondicherry	8	6	2
18	Uttarakhand	60	32	28
19	West Bengal	53	25	28
Total		1748	949	809

There are no notified norms of Teacher Student Ratio prescribed by University Grants Commission. In Central Universities and Sanskrit Higher Education Institutions fully funded by the Central and State/ Union Territory Governments the sanctioned strength of Teacher Student Ratio is 1:28. However, in these institutions there is shortage of 809 regular teachers due to which actual Teacher Student Ratio is 1:52.

The shortage of regular teachers is met by engaging Guest / Part-time faculty till the posts are filled on regular basis. The Government has launched a special drive to fill up vacancies in academic posts in all academic institutions.

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