

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2286
TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th JULY, 2019**

Toilets in Schools

2286. SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that there are 21,000 schools without toilets for girls and 29,000 without toilets for boys in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with details of the States having largest and least number of schools without such toilets, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has asked the State Governments to construct toilets within a specified time-frame;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the outcome therefor, State-wise, as on date; and
- (e) the details of funds allocated and released during the last three years, for construction of toilets in schools, year-wise?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a) and (b) As per Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE), 2017-18 (Provisional), total number of Government schools, without girls' toilet was 31799 (2.91%) and without boys' toilet was 58035 (5.31%). State/UT-wise details of Government schools without toilet facilities indicating the States having largest and least number of schools without boys' and girls' toilets are at Annexure.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. As per Section 19 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, no school shall be established, or recognised unless it fulfills the norms and standards specified in the Schedule to the Act. All schools established before the commencement of the Act has to fulfill these norms and standards within three years of the date of commencement. If any school fails to fulfill these norms and standards, then the competent authority shall withdraw recognition granted to such a school. The Schedule to the Act inter alia clearly states that every recognised school should have separate toilets for boys and girls. All States were requested to issue necessary directions and ensure that all the schools, including those under the non-Government sector

(private, aided schools etc.) comply with these provisions of the RTE Act and compliance report be sent to this Ministry. Under Swachh Vidyalaya initiative 4.17 lakh toilets including 1.91 lakh girls' toilets in 2.61 lakh Government elementary and secondary schools were constructed/re-constructed in one year upto 15th August, 2015 in association with States, UTs, Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and private corporates, to provide separate toilets for girls and boys in all Government schools.

All the States have been requested on several occasions to maintain the toilets and keep them functional, neat and clean and also fill the gaps, if any, and ensure availability and functionality of toilets in all the schools.

The Department of School Education and Literacy has launched an Integrated Scheme for School Education – Samagra Shiksha w.e.f. 2018-19, which subsumes the three erstwhile Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE). Under Samagra Shiksha, States and UTs are supported for strengthening of existing government schools, and for creation and augmentation of infrastructure facilities including drinking water and toilets as per proposals received from respective State/UT. The scheme also envisages an annual recurring composite school grant varying upto Rs. 1,00,000/- per annum depending upon the number of students, for all government schools. Each school is required to spend at least 10% of the composite school grant on activities related to Swachhata Action Plan. The scheme also provides for annual maintenance and repair of existing school building, toilets and other facilities to upkeep the infrastructure in good condition.

(e) Under the erstwhile scheme of SSA, an amount of Rs. 318.12 crore and Rs. 211.63 was estimated for school toilets during the 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively. Also, under the erstwhile scheme of RMSA, an amount of Rs. 34.64 crore and Rs. 6.02 was estimated for school toilets during the 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively. Under Samagra Shiksha, an amount of Rs. 131.57 crore has been estimated for provision of school toilets for the year 2018-19.

ANNEXURE**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2286 TO BE ANSWERED ON 8th JULY, 2019 ASKED BY SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWAR REGARDING TOILETS IN SCHOOLS**

Statement showing State/UT-wise details of Government schools without toilet facilities indicating the States having largest and least number of schools without boys' and girls' toilets

S. No.	State/UT	No. of schools without Girls' toilet	No. of schools without Boys' Toilet	Percentage of schools without Girls' toilet	Percentage of schools without Boys' Toilet
1	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	0	1	0.00	0.29
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	1664	9433	3.71	21.01
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	180	266	5.22	7.72
4	ASSAM	1708	4749	3.35	9.32
5	BIHAR	6790	8476	9.23	11.53
6	CHANDIGARH	0	0	0.00	0.00
7	CHHATTISGARH	2243	2473	4.59	5.06
8	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	0	1	0.00	0.33
9	DAMAN & DIU	2	3	1.74	2.61
10	DELHI	885	598	31.75	21.46
11	GOA	0	0	0.00	0.00
12	GUJARAT	808	1119	2.30	3.18
13	HARYANA	784	1419	5.43	9.82
14	HIMACHAL PRADESH	27	84	0.17	0.54
15	JAMMU & KASHMIR	1114	1935	4.66	8.09
16	JHARKHAND	425	844	1.07	2.13
17	KARNATAKA	822	1784	1.66	3.61
18	KERALA	33	86	0.69	1.80
19	LAKSHADWEEP	0	0	0.00	0.00
20	MADHYA PRADESH	5335	7345	4.35	5.99
21	MAHARASHTRA	1647	2455	2.47	3.68
22	MANIPUR	81	91	2.67	3.00
23	MEGHALAYA	462	206	5.92	2.64
24	MIZORAM	51	58	1.98	2.25
25	NAGALAND	90	60	4.33	2.88
26	ODISHA	574	1963	1.02	3.49
27	PUDUCHERRY	19	29	4.48	6.84
28	PUNJAB	621	1287	3.18	6.59
29	RAJASTHAN	609	1213	0.91	1.81
30	SIKKIM	71	6	8.32	0.70
31	TAMIL NADU	342	625	0.91	1.66
32	TELANGANA	1286	3298	4.31	11.05
33	TRIPURA	22	31	0.51	0.72
34	UTTAR PRADESH	1249	2382	0.77	1.46
35	UTTARAKHAND	880	1078	4.99	6.11
36	WEST BENGAL	975	2637	1.17	3.17
	Total	31799	58035	2.91	5.31

Source: UDISE 2017-18 (Provisional)