

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

**LOK SABHA**  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. ‡2402.  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019

**Divyang Children**

‡2402. SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY:

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

- (a) the total number of Divyang children in the country who do not go to school, State-wise;
- (b) the number of Divyang children who are studying at primary, secondary, higher secondary level and getting higher education; and
- (c) the details of the schemes being run by the Government to increase literacy rate amongst the said children?

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

(a):- As per an independent survey commissioned in 2014 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, the number of out of school Divyang children in the age group of 6 to 13 years is estimated at 6.00 lakh. State-wise details are given at Annexure.

(b):- As per Unified District Information System for Education (U-DISE) 2017-18 (provisional), 12,29,639, 7,23,276, 2,28,134 and 74,014 Divyang children are enrolled at primary, upper primary, secondary and higher secondary level respectively and as per All India Survey on Higher Education Report 2017-18, there are 74,317 persons with disabilities enrolled in higher education courses.

(c):- Inclusive Education component of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha aims to look at education of Children with Special Needs (CwSN) in a continuum from classes I to XII. The Scheme is governed and regulated by the provisions of the RTE Act, 2009. The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 enshrines the entitlement to free and compulsory elementary education, access to school and barrier free access for all children including CwSN. Samagra Shiksha covers all Divyang

Children with one or more disabilities as mentioned in the Schedule of disabilities of the Rights of the Persons with Disabilities (RPwD) Act, 2016.

The Scheme of Samagra Shiksha lays emphasis on inclusion or mainstreaming of CwSN into the fabric of formal schooling. Inclusive education for CwSN under the Scheme emphasises on developing the full potentiality of each child with a disability through student oriented interventions which include provision of Braille kits, teaching learning materials, teaching aids, assistive devices, aids and appliances to enhance access of CwSN in schools, corrective surgeries, transportation and escort allowances, reader allowances, stipend to girls students, training/orientation programmes for teachers and other stakeholders and resource support through special educators etc. for addressing the specific learning needs of CwSN for equitable and quality education.

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**Annexure**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2402 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019 ASKED BY SHRI GOPAL CHINNAYA SHETTY, MP REGARDING 'DIVYANG CHILDREN'**

**Statement showing details of Divyang children not going to school**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name of the State</b>	<b>No. of Divyang children not going to school</b>
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1014
2	Andhra Pradesh (including Telangana)	26157
3	Arunachal Pradesh	0
4	Assam	13777
5	Bihar	103187
6	Chandigarh	0
7	Chhattisgarh	27542
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	330
9	Daman & Diu	86
10	Delhi	2848
11	Goa	0
12	Gujarat	5693
13	Haryana	2095
14	Himachal Pradesh	2176
15	Jammu & Kashmir	11482
16	Jharkhand	19425
17	Karnataka	18106
18	Kerala	16273
19	Lakshadweep	62
20	Madhya Pradesh	50609
21	Maharashtra	22551
22	Manipur	863
23	Meghalaya	1594
24	Mizoram	777
25	Nagaland	346
26	Odisha	35081
27	Puducherry	285
28	Punjab	3695
29	Rajasthan	74288
30	Sikkim	0
31	Tamil Nadu	23627
32	Tripura	1227
33	Uttarakhand	6008
34	Uttar Pradesh	96237
35	West Bengal	33189
	<b>Total</b>	<b>600630</b>

*Source: IMRB Survey, 2014*