

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4671
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2019

Self-Defence Training to Girl Students

4671. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN:

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to strengthen Samagra Shiksha initiative that was launched in 2018-19 by providing Rs 3,000 per month for a period of three months per Government-run school for the self-defence training and inculcating life skills among girl student;
- (b) whether the Government has directed States to avail funding for self-defence training to girls under the Nirbhaya Fund along with other State Government schemes; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

A N S W E R

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

(a) to (c) : Yes Sir. Self Defence training for girls is an activity under Samagra Shiksha. Keeping in view, the rising number of crimes against girls and women in the country and to ensure safety and security of girls, Self defence training is imparted to girls of class VI to XII belonging to Government Schools. Fund for this purpose is provided for three months @ Rs. 3000/- per school per month for inculcating self-defence skills including life skill for self-protection and self-development among the girls. Self defence training is also being given in Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) which are residential schools meant for girls of Class VI to XII and belonging to disadvantaged groups.

The States have been advised for convergence for availing funding for self-defence training under the Nirbhaya Fund under Ministry of Woman and Child Development, Government of India or with other State Government schemes.

Under Samagra Shiksha, an amount of Rs. 10221.87 lakh had been estimated for 134835 Elementary Schools and Rs. 6227.22 lakh was estimated for 76581 Secondary Schools for self defence training during the year 2018-19.
