

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4698
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22ND JULY 2019**

Targets of RTE

†4698. SHRI DILIP SAIKIA:

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

- (a) the extent to which the Government has achieved the targets contained in Right to Education Act;
- (b) whether the Government is making all possible efforts for implementation of this Act and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether efforts are being made by the Government to improve the condition of rural schools in view of the said Act; and
- (d) the details thereof and the outcome, State-wise?

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

(a) to (d) In order to provide free and compulsory elementary education, 97.15% habitations are served by Primary Schools within a radius of 1 kilometre, and 96.49% habitations are served by Upper Primary Schools within a radius of 3 kilometres as per information provided by States & UTs in their Annual Work Plan proposal 2018-19. The State/UT wise details is at Annexure. The remaining 3% habitations are largely remote and sparsely populated which do not qualify for opening of schools as per neighbourhood norms and are covered through residential schools, hostels and transport and escort facility as per provisions of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.

The Department of School Education and Literacy has launched an Integrated Scheme for School Education – SamagraShiksha, from 2018-19, which subsumes the three erstwhile Centrally Sponsored Schemes of SarvaShikshaAbhiyan (SSA), RashtriyaMadhyamikShikshaAbhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE). The new integrated scheme envisages school education as a continuum from Pre-school to Senior Secondary level and aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality

education, all levels of schooling. The main objectives of the scheme are provision of quality education and enhancing learning outcomes of students, bridging social and gender gaps in school education, ensuring minimum standards in schooling provisions, support States in the implementation of RTE Act, 2009 and strengthening of teacher education institutions.

The major features of SamagraShiksha are:

- (i) Universalizing access to quality school education by expansion of schooling facilities in the uncovered areas through up-gradation of schools up-to senior secondary level.
- (ii) Ensuring availability of adequate infrastructure to ensure that schools conform to the prescribed norms.
- (iii) Annual Grant of Rs. 5,000 to Rs. 20,000/- per school for strengthening of Libraries.
- (iv) Annual Composite school grant of Rs. 25,000 to Rs.1,00,000to be allocated on the basis of school enrolment, out of which at least 10% is required to be spent on activities related to Swachhata Action Plan.
- (v) Annual Grant for sports equipments at the cost of Rs. 5000 for Primary Schools, Rs. 10,000 for upper primary schools and up to Rs. 25,000 for secondary and senior secondary schools.
- (vi) Allocation for children with Special Needs (CWSN) of Rs. 3,500 per child per annum including a stipend of Rs. 200 per month for CWSNgirls to be provided from Classes I to XII.
- (vii) Allocation for uniforms at the rate of Rs. 600 per child per annum, at elementary level.
- (viii) Allocation for textbooks at the rate of Rs. 250/400 per child per annum,at elementary level.
- (ix) Upgradation of Kasturba Gandhi BalikaVidyalayas (KGBVs) from Class 6-8 to Class 6-12.
- (x) Strengthening Teacher Education Institutions like SCERTs and DIETs to improve the quality of teachers.
- (xi) Enhanced use of digital technology in education through smart classrooms, digital boards and DTH channels.
- (xii) Support States & UTs for implementation of provisions of RTE Act, including reimbursement under Section 12(1)(c) of the Act.
- (xiii) Setting up of residential schools and hostels for difficult areas and for children in difficult circumstances.

- (xiv) The scheme also provides for annual maintenance and repair of existing school building, toilets and other facilities to upkeep the infrastructure in good condition.

The SamagraShiksha Scheme supports States for strengthening of existing Government schools including those in rural areas, and for creation and augmentation of infrastructure facilities based on the gaps identified Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) and appraisal of the proposals received from respective State/UT.

Under erstwhile SSA till 2017-18 and SamagraShiksha effective from 2018-19, construction of 3.13 lakh school buildings, 18.89 lakh additional classrooms, provision of 2.41 lakh drinking water facility, construction of 3.99 lakh Boys' toilets, 5.22 lakh separate girls' toilets and 1.41 lakh CWSN toilets have been sanctioned to States and UTs, out of which States and UTs have reported construction of 2.97 lakh school buildings, 18.17 lakh additional classrooms, provision of 2.34 lakh drinking water facility, construction of 3.83 lakh Boys' toilets, 5.14 lakh separate girls' toilets and 1.25 lakh CWSN toilets, till 31.03.2019.

Annexure

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4698 ANSWER ON 22.07.2019 ASKED BY SHRI DILIP SAIKIAREGARDINGTARGETS OF RTE.

Gross Attendance Ratio (GAR) Primary and Upper Primary level (As on 31st may 2019)

(In Percentage)

S. No.	State	Primary Level	Upper Primary Level
1	A&N Island	86.36	39.14
2	Andhra Pradesh	96.49	94.82
3	Arunachal Pradesh	86.70	79.46
4	Assam	99.60	99.72
5	Bihar	96.68	97.52
6	Chandigarh UT	100.00	100.00
7	Chhattisgarh	97.91	97.07
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	100.00	100.00
9	Daman & Diu	100.00	100.00
10	Delhi	100.00	100.00
11	Goa	100.00	100.00
12	Gujarat	100.00	100.00
13	Haryana	97.94	93.40
14	Himachal Pradesh	95.52	94.29
15	Jammu & Kashmir	87.67	87.35
16	Jharkhand	99.78	98.89
17	Karnataka	96.21	95.43
18	Kerala	97.74	96.84
19	Lakshadweep	100.00	100.00
20	Madhya Pradesh	99.45	99.69
21	Maharashtra	95.51	84.84
22	Manipur	85.42	43.19
23	Meghalaya	91.92	87.09
24	Mizoram	97.99	95.59
25	Nagaland	87.12	70.91
26	Odisha	96.71	97.78
27	Puducherry	100.00	100.00
28	Punjab	99.71	99.76
29	Rajasthan	96.36	97.36
30	Sikkim	100.00	100.00
31	Tamil Nadu	97.52	98.71
32	Telangana	98.24	87.68
33	Tripura	92.54	92.68
34	Uttar Pradesh	96.08	97.64
35	Uttarakhand	97.70	98.48
36	West Bengal	99.52	99.41
	Total	97.15	96.49

Source: AWP&B 2018-19