

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOK SABHA
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SHORTAGE OF TEACHERS/FACILITIES IN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTES IN BIHAR

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of teachers in primary schools, high schools, intermediate and colleges, the number of teachers employed permanently and temporarily, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to meet the shortage of teachers and resume other services;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to remove the shortage of classroom, laboratory, library, cleanliness and sports equipment as most of the educational institutions are facing acute shortage of basic facilities and resources;
- (c) the preparations of State schools under the New Education Policy; and
- (d) the number of schools, colleges in which smart classes have been arranged in Bihar and the details of the companies identified and awarded contracts for their maintenance?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a): Education is in the concurrent list of the Constitution. The recruitment, service conditions and deployment of teachers come under the purview of the respective State and Union Territory (UT) Government. The recruitment of teachers in schools is a continuous process and the vacancies keep arising due to retirement, resignation and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength/new schools. However, the Ministry of Education requests the State and UT Governments for filling-up the vacant posts of teachers and their rational deployment, through review meetings and advisories from time to time. Further, the Central Government through the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, provides assistance to the States and UTs for deployment of additional teachers to maintain appropriate Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) as per the prescribed norms for various levels of schooling. As per Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) for the year 2022-23, there are a total of 693600 sanctioned posts of teachers (592541 in Elementary, 57238 in Secondary and 43821 in Higher Secondary Level). Against these sanctioned posts, a total of number of 445500 teachers are in position (405332 in Elementary, 29279 in Secondary and 10889 in Higher Secondary Level) and a total number of 248100 posts are vacant (187209 in Elementary, 27959 in Secondary and 32932 in Higher Secondary Level).

(b): The details of item-wise fund provided to state government of Bihar under Samagra Shiksha since 2018-19 are as given below:

| Samagra Shiksha Approvals | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Sl no | Items | Approved Nos | Amount (Lakhs) |
| 1 | Additional Classroom | 4021 | 42093.9 |
| 2 | Boys Toilets | 3899 | 6551.3 |
| 3 | Girls Toilets | 2802 | 5215.46 |
| 4 | CWSN Toilets | 62 | 133.92 |
| 5 | CWSN Ramps | 578 | 287.74 |
| 6 | Drinking Water | 486 | 143.52 |
| 7 | Electrification | 9609 | 14701.77 |
| 8 | Science Lab | 64 | 905.6 |
| 9 | Computer Room | 160 | 2264 |
| 10 | Library Room | 113 | 1898.4 |
| 11 | Art Cultural Room | 130 | 1839.5 |
| 12 | Major Repair | 178 | 921 |
| 13 | Building Less (Primary) | 285 | 9553.3 |
| Total | | | 86509.41 |

(c): In pursuance of the goals and objectives of the NEP 2020 and to assist States, UTs and other organisations, the Department of School Education & Literacy has developed an indicative and suggestive NEP Implementation Plan for School Education, ‘Students’ and ‘Teachers’ Holistic Advancement through Quality Education (SARTHAQ)’. The major focus of SARTHAQ is to define activities in such a manner which clearly delineate goals, outcomes and timeframe. SARTHAQ is divided in two parts and has been uploaded on the Department’s website under the links mentioned below:

- (i) https://dsel.education.gov.in/sites/default/files/SARTHAQ_Part-1_updated.pdf
- (ii) https://dsel.education.gov.in/sites/default/files/SARTHAQ_Part-2_updated.pdf

(d): State Government of Bihar has informed that under the Digital Initiative of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme - “Samagra Shiksha”, a total of 5,478 Smart Classrooms are being setup in 2,739 Elementary Government Schools (2 smart classrooms in each school) of Bihar on Build Own Operate & Transfer (BOOT) model. Further, two Agencies/Companies, namely (i) M/s. Extra marks Education Private Limited, New Delhi and (ii) M/s. Telecommunications Consultants India Limited, New Delhi have been awarded the work to establish, operationalize, and maintain these Smart Classrooms for a period of 5 Years.