

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PM SHRI Scheme in Odisha

†2026. **SHRI BASANTA KUMAR PANDA:**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM-SHRI);
- (b) the details of the implementation of the PM-SHRI scheme;
- (c) the transformational education methods which are likely to be implemented by the PM-SHRI schools as per the New Education Policy, 2020;
- (d) the number of schools in Odisha which are proposed to be converted into PM-SHRI Schools, district-wise; and
- (e) the details of the funds allocated per schools in Odisha under PM-SHRI Yojana?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)**

(a) to (c) The Cabinet has approved a new Centrally Sponsored Scheme named Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) on 7th September, 2022. These schools demonstrate the implementation of the National Education Policy 2020 and become exemplar schools over time, offering guidance to other schools in the neighbourhood. They provide leadership in their respective regions in offering high-quality education in an equitable, inclusive, and joyful school environment that accommodates the diverse backgrounds, multilingual needs, and different academic abilities of children, empowering them to take an active role in their own learning process, aligning with the vision of the National Education Policy 2020. This initiative is intended to prepare PM SHRI Schools in which every student feels welcomed and cared for, where a safe and stimulating learning environment exists, where a wide range of learning experiences are offered, and where good physical infrastructure and appropriate resources conducive to learning are available to all students. These schools are environment friendly aspects like Energy efficient using solar panels and LED lightings, nutrition gardens with natural farming, waste management, plastic free, water conservation and harvesting, study of traditions/practises related to protection of environment, climate change related hackathons and awareness generation to incorporate organic lifestyle.

Under the scheme there is provision of setting up of more than 14500 PM SHRI Schools by strengthening the existing schools from amongst schools managed by Central government/State/UT Government/local bodies.

The duration of scheme is proposed to be from 2022-23 to 2026-27; after which it shall be the responsibility of the States/UTs to continue to maintain the benchmarks achieved by these schools. More than 20 lakh students are expected to be direct beneficiaries of the scheme. The total cost of the project will be Rs 27360 crore spread over a period of 5 years which includes central share of Rs 18128 crore.

(d) & (e) States and UTs were asked to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSE&L), Ministry of Education, Government of India, for implementation of PM SHRI scheme. However, State of Odisha has not signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with DoSE&L, MoE so far.
