

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO -666
ANSWERED ON 06.02.2023

Existing Schools in UT of Ladakh

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Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to state:

(a) whether the existing Schools in UT of Ladakh are having all basic mandatory criteria such as infrastructures, classrooms, playgrounds, study materials, sport equipment, computer and digital lab and other essentials;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) the detail of the schools upgraded in the last five years and whether the Government has proposed to upgrade/open new schools at all levels in UT of Ladakh;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the Government is planning to affiliate all the existing Private Schools in UT of Ladakh with CBSE; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): Education is in the concurrent list of the Constitution and majority of schools are under the domain of respective State/UT Government. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha is an overarching scheme for school education covering all levels from pre-primary to senior secondary, under which financial assistance is provided to the States and UTs for various activities which include opening/strengthening of new schools up to senior secondary level, strengthening school infrastructure etc. Under the scheme, State/UT Governments send their proposals and recommendations through Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) every year to the Department. Establishment of new schools, new classroom, repair of existing room and other infrastructure related civil work is also included in the proposal as per requirement of State/UT. A Project Approval Board, under the chairmanship of Secretary (SE&L), considers such various proposals/recommendations sent by the States/UTs on a whole irrespective of region and geographical area in its annual meeting and approves the physical and financial components of various activities as per the guidelines of the scheme.

As per the information received from the UT Administration, the details of basic infrastructure facilities in government schools in the UT of Ladakh are as follows:

Government Schools with Basic Infrastructure Facilities in - UT of Ladakh	
Infrastructure component	No. of Govt. Schools
Classrooms	832
Playground	591
Study Materials	832
Sport Equipment	832
Information & Communication Technology Labs	123
Computer Aided Learning centres	124
Astronomy Labs	40
Atal Tinkering Labs	24
Library rooms	157
Art and Craft rooms	41
Total No. of Govt. Schools	832

A supplementary meeting of the Project Approval Board (PAB) to consider the proposals received from the States/UTs including UT of Ladakh for seeking funds for Rejuvenation of Basic Infrastructure in Government schools under the Samagra Shiksha was held on 19.01.2023 and 24.01.2023. The PAB approved proposal on Rejuvenation of Basic Infrastructure in Government schools in the UT of Ladakh is as follows:

(Rs. in lakh)

Components	State Proposal		Recommendation	
	Physical	Amount	Physical	Amount
Major Repair	6	12.00	6	12.00
Minor Repair	26	52.00	26	52.00
Electricity Connection	1	0.80	1	0.80
Functional Drinking Water	1	2.50	1	2.50
Boundary Wall	17	173.16	17	173.16
Total	51	240.46	51	240.46

The details of the Government Schools in UT of Ladakh upgraded in the last five years are as follows:

Ladakh: School upgraded/opened in last 5 years				
S.No.	Year	No. of Schools upgraded from Middle School to High School	No. of Schools upgraded from High School to Higher Secondary School	No. of new Schools opened
1	2018-19	6	3	1
2	2019-20	0	0	0
3	2020-21	5	3	0
4	2021-22	0	0	0
5	2022-23	2	0	0
Total		13	6	1

(e) & (f): The Private Schools can opt for any Board of their own choice.
