

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1637**  
ANSWERED ON 31/07/2023

**Performance Grade Index for Districts**

1637. SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:  
SHRI B.B. PATIL:  
SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:  
SHRI DHAIRYASHEELSAMBHAJIRAO MANE:  
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAOMANDLIK:  
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:  
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Indian Education System is one of the largest in the world and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSE&L) has released the Performance Grading Index for Districts (PGI-D) for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the highlights of the report;
- (d) the aims and objectives of the PGI-D and how it helps various districts across the country to achieve it;
- (e) the details of indicators based on which PGI has been designed to grade the performance of all districts in school education in the country and the manner in which PGI-D grades the districts;
- (f) whether the Government has ranked the States and UTs on the basis of Performance Grading Index (PGI) in the field of school education;
- (g) if so, the details thereof for the last three years, State-wise/year-wise; and
- (h) whether the Government has taken any steps to assist the States/UTs that stand low in the PGI ranking and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

**(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)**

(a): Indian school Education System is one of the largest in the world with nearly 14.89 lakh schools, more than 95 lakh teachers and nearly 26.52 Crore students of pre-primary to higher secondary level from varied socio-economic backgrounds.

(b) and (c): Yes Sir. The Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education has released combined Performance Grading Index for District (PGI-D) report for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22. PGI-D report for the year 2020-21 & 2021-22 is available at the link [https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGID-2020-21\\_2021-22.pdf](https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGID-2020-21_2021-22.pdf).

(d): The PGI-D aims to help States and UTs to pinpoint the gaps at the disaggregated level and to prioritize areas for intervention so as to ensure school education system is robust at every level. It also provides insight into intra State comparison of progress of School education which is useful to assess the intervention required at district level and to take mid-course correction, wherever required for the holistic development of district as a whole in school education.

(e) to (g): The list of indicators used for arriving the score of PGI-D can be accessed at Annexure-IV in PGI-D combined report for the year 2020-21 & 2021-22 at the link [https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGID-2020-21\\_2021-22.pdf](https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGID-2020-21_2021-22.pdf). PGI grades the States and UTs on the basis of their Performance. The grades attained by States/UTs at Annexure 1 in the PGI 2.0 report 2021-22 at the link <https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGI-State-2021-22-Brochure.pdf>.

(h): The DoSEL, Ministry of Education has shared the findings of PGI 2.0 report with all the States/UTs for further improvement by prioritizing areas of intervention to ensure that the school education system is robust at every level. Further, Central Government helps States and UTs under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, which is an overarching scheme of school education covering all levels from pre-primary to senior secondary. Financial assistance is provided to the States and UTs for various activities to improve enrolment in Govt. schools, which include opening/strengthening of new schools up to senior secondary level, strengthening school infrastructure, setting up, up gradation and running of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBV) up to class 12, setting up of residential schools/hostel named Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Avasiya Vidyalayas, transport allowance, undertaking enrolment drives, seasonal hostels/residential camps, provision of vocational education and ICT facilities in schools, etc, financial assistance is also provided for aids and appliances for children with special needs.

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