

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 485
ANSWERED ON- 24/07/2023

RASHTRIYA MADHYAMIK SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

†485. SHRI ASHOK KUMAR RAWAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- a) the number of new High Schools and new Inter Colleges required in the State of Uttar Pradesh as per the norms of the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan;
- (b) whether the Government has taken any steps to establish High Schools and Inter Colleges in Uttar Pradesh, especially in the three districts viz. Sitapur, Hardoi and Kanpur Nagar under Misrikh Parliamentary Constituency as per the norms of the Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (c): Union Budget, 2018-19 has announced that school education would be treated holistically and without segmentation from pre-primary to class XII. It is, in this context, that the Department launched the Integrated Scheme for School Education, Samagra Shiksha in 2018 by subsuming the erstwhile Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) and Teacher Education (TE).

Education is in the Concurrent list of the Constitution and majority of the schools come under the purview of the respective State Government/ UT Administration. The opening and closing of schools are within the purview of respective State Government and UT Administration.

For providing universal access to quality secondary education, the neighbourhood norms notified by the State/UT are applicable for opening of new Secondary schools. This Department is implementing an integrated Centrally Sponsored scheme- Samagra Shiksha. The scheme envisages school education as a continuum from pre-school to senior secondary level and aims to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education for all. The States and UTs, which have not notified the neighbourhood norms for Secondary Schools, Samagra Shiksha provides support for access to secondary schools within a distance of 5 Km of a habitation while ensuring their viability and cost effectiveness.

Under the Scheme financial assistance is provided to all the States and Union territories including the State of Uttar Pradesh for implementing various interventions of the Scheme based on the annual plans prepared by the States and UTs as per their requirements/priority and is reflected in their respective Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) Proposals. These plans are then appraised and approved/estimated by the Project Approval Board (PAB) in the Department of School Education & Literacy in consultation with the States and UTs as per the programmatic and financial norms of the scheme and physical and financial progress of the State for the interventions approved earlier.

As reported by States and UTs in their Annual Work Plan & Budget Proposals – 2022-23, 96.09% of habitations were covered by Secondary schools within a distance of 5 km and 91.65% of habitations were covered by Sr. Secondary schools, within a distance of 7-10 km.

As informed by the State of Uttar Pradesh, 1469 High Schools have been established under Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan. Under Samagra Shiksha (Madhyamik), since 2018-19, 144 High Schools and 44 Upgraded Inter Colleges have been sanctioned. A total of 94 High Schools and 3 Inter colleges have been established in the districts of Hardoi, Sitapur and Kanpur Nagar under RMSA and Samagra Shiksha together.
