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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:- 1224

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Teachers in Government Schools Running under Central and State Governments

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SHRI OMPRAKASH BHUPALSINH ALIAS PAWAN RAJENIMBALKAR:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the required number of teachers are available in all the Government schools of the country running under the Union Government and the State Governments;
- (b) whether the Government is aware of the shortage of teachers in Government run schools;
- (c) if so, the status of teachers in the schools of Maharashtra;
- (d) whether any specific scheme is being implemented/likely to be implemented by the Government to ensure adequate teacher-student ratio to streamline education in such schools; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The recruitment of teachers in schools is a continuous process as vacancies keep arising due to factors like retirement, resignation and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength/new schools. The Department of School Education and Literacy, from time to time, through review meetings and advisories, requests the State and UT Governments for filling up of vacant posts of teachers and their rational deployment. The number of teachers in position in Government Schools, during the academic year 2021-22, is:-

	Number of Teachers in Government Schools										
	Total	Primary	Upper Primary		Secondary			Higher Secondary			
		(1-5)	(1-8)	(6-8)	(1-10)	(6-10)	(9-10)	(1-12)	(6-12)	(9-12)	(11-12)
India	4882446	1769688	1280573	227723	225132	283946	71495	353471	509522	129711	31185

Source: UDISE+

(c): The status of teachers in the schools of Maharashtra for the academic year 2021-22 is:

	Number of Teachers – all types of management										
	Total	Primary	Upper Primary		Secondary			Higher Secondary			
		(1-5)	(1-8)	(6-8)	(1-10)	(6-10)	(9-10)	(1-12)	(6-12)	(9-12)	(11-12)
Maharashtra	748589	149318	212069	383	145451	31864	4731	160907	14478	1499	27889

Source: UDISE+

(d) & (e): The Central Government, through the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, provides financial assistance to the States and UTs to maintain appropriate Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) for various levels of schooling, as per norms prescribed in the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, as amended from time to time. Further, Education is a subject in the concurrent list of the Constitution an overwhelming majority of schools are under the administrative control of respective State and Union Territory Governments. Recruitment of teachers in these schools is the responsibility of the concerned State Government/Union Territory Administration. They may ensure that the entire recruitment process is transparent and completed in a time-bound manner.