

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 2475
ANSWERED ON- 18/12/2023

Student Teacher Ratio in Schools

†2475. SHRI DINESH LAL YADAV “NIRAHUA”:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is disparity in school education among different States of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and also the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has defined any standard for student-teacher ratio in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the details of student-teacher ratio in the country, State-wise; and
- (e) the schemes being implemented by the Government to remove the persisting disparity in different States of the country?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Education is in the Concurrent list of Constitution and most of the schools come under jurisdiction of concerned States and UTs. State and UT Governments are the appropriate Governments under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. Therefore, regulation, maintenance and supervision of school come under the purview of the respective State and Union Territory (UT) Government in accordance with the norms laid down in the Schedule to the RTE Act, 2009 and as per respective State RTE Rules.

The Performance Grading Index (PGI) developed by Department of School Education & Literacy (DoSEL) aims to assess the relative performance of all the State/UTs in a uniform scale to encourage State/UTs to perform better. The PGI-State has been conceptualized as a tool to catalyse transformational change in the field of school education and introduced from 2018-19. The PGI-State motivate States and UTs to adopt best practices followed by the top performing State and it has 6 domains with seventy (73) indicators carrying a score of 1000. The six domains on which states are assessed (i) Learning Outcomes (ii) Access (iii) Infrastructure & Facilities (iv) Equity (v) Governance Process and (vi) Teachers Education and Training. Scores obtained by States/ UT's are then classified into ten grades: Daksh, Utkarsh,

Atti-Uttam, Uttam, Prachesta -1, Prachesta -2, Prachesta -3, Akanshi-1, Akanshi-2, Akanshi-3. The score wise details is available at:

https://www.education.gov.in/sites/upload_files/mhrd/files/statistics-new/pgi-s.pdf

(c) & (d): As per Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, the Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) norms for primary and upper primary level are 30:1 and 35:1 respectively. The PTR at national level for Government primary schools is 28:1, for upper primary schools is 24:1, for elementary school is 26:1, for secondary school is 19:1 and for Higher Secondary School is 27:1 as per UDISE 2021-22. The state-wise detail of Pupil-Teacher ratio is placed at **Annexure**.

(e): The Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha has been aligned with the recommendation of National Education Policy (NEP), 2020. In pursuance of the goals and objectives of the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020), several initiatives have been launched in School Education under Samagra Shiksha viz. National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN Bharat) for ensuring foundational literacy and numeracy by the end of Grade 3; Vidya-Pravesh–Guidelines for Three-month Play-based School Preparation Module; Indian Sign Language as a Subject at secondary level by National Institute of Open Schooling; National Initiative for School Heads’ and Teachers’ Holistic Advancement (NISHTHA) extended to cover teachers at all levels of schooling including training of master trainers for ECCE; Vidya Sameeksha Kendra (VSK) launched on 06.09.2020. So far, 11 States namely - Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Nagaland, Punjab, Odisha, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh - have set up Vidya Samiksha Kendra; ICT and Digital initiatives component of centrally sponsored scheme of Samagra Shiksha covers Government and Aided schools having classes VI to XII. Under this component financial assistance is provided for establishing ICT Lab and Smart Classrooms in schools; National Digital Educational Architecture (NDEAR) has 1500+ Micro courses, 5 billion+ Learning sessions, 12 billion+ QR codes, 20K+ ecosystem participants, 15K+ Micro improvements ongoing across the various linked building blocks.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2475 TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.12.2023 ASKED BY HON'BLE MP SHRI DINESH LAL YADAV "NIRAHUA" REGARDING 'STUDENT TEACHER RATIO IN SCHOOLS'.

State-wise Student Teacher Ratio – 2021-22

State/UTS	Pupil Teacher Ratio - Government (2021-22)				
	Primary	Upper Primary	Elementary	Secondary	Higher Secondary
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	10	11	10	7	14
Andhra Pradesh	24	17	21	11	26
Arunachal Pradesh	11	10	11	12	22
Assam	23	18	21	12	23
Bihar	60	31	46	73	75
Chandigarh	36	19	26	14	39
Chhattisgarh	23	23	23	17	18
Dadra & Nagar Haveli & Daman & Diu	33	34	33	22	31
Delhi	40	39	40	30	24
Goa	15	12	14	7	19
Gujarat	30	26	29	32	27
Haryana	32	25	29	13	15
Himachal Pradesh	15	11	13	6	11
Jammu & Kashmir	13	9	11	14	34
Jharkhand	33	38	34	46	76
Karnataka	20	16	18	19	41
Kerala	26	29	27	17	23
Ladakh	5	3	4	5	13
Lakshadweep	17	16	17	9	13
Madhya Pradesh	25	34	27	31	40
Maharashtra	22	25	23	24	31
Manipur	10	12	10	7	12
Meghalaya	20	13	17	11	21
Mizoram	14	7	11	9	15
Nagaland	7	5	6	8	14
Odisha	19	19	19	23	42
Puducherry	19	15	17	9	21
Punjab	25	24	24	11	24
Rajasthan	26	16	21	14	22
Sikkim	5	9	6	9	12
Tamilnadu	25	18	22	14	25
Telangana	25	16	20	10	31
Tripura	19	22	20	15	16
Uttar Pradesh	29	33	30	23	36
Uttarakhand	18	18	18	10	15
West Bengal	29	35	31	19	30
INDIA	28	24	26	19	27

Source: UDISE+ 2021-22