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

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 410

ANSWERED ON 5th FEBRUARY, 2024

#### SAMAGRA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN IN KARNATAKA

### 410. SHRIMATI SUMALATHA AMBAREESH:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has noticed that a large number of sanctioned school building projects are not being completed in time and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has data of such sanctioned school building projects which are using Central funds for the State of Karnataka and if so, the details regarding the same for Mandya;
- (c) whether any new projects are sanctioned for Mandya district under Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has noticed that the staff strength is not adequate in many Government schools in Karnataka; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to ensure that staff recruitment is done timely and also the teachers are trained therein?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): Since inception of the Samagra Shiksha Scheme in 2018-19, the state of Karnataka has been granted approval for the construction of 55 new secondary school buildings and 6 new senior secondary school buildings. The construction of these school buildings is currently in progress. A sum of Rs. 11,090.29 lakh for the construction of new secondary school buildings and Rs. 746.64 lakh for new senior secondary school buildings has been sanctioned to the state of Karnataka under the Scheme.

Financial assistance is provided to State Government under Samagra Shiksha based on proposals received from States as per norms of the Scheme. Accordingly, 50 repair works were approved in respect of Mandya District, Karnataka under rejuvenation.

(d) & (e): Recruitment and service conditions of staff in schools are in the domain of the respective State Governments and UT Administrations. The recruitment of teachers and staff is a continuous process and the vacancies keep arising due to retirement, resignation and additional requirements on account of enhanced students' strength/new schools. The Central Government consistently pursues the matter of expeditious recruitment and redeployment of staff in schools with the States and UTs. Advisories to maintain appropriate Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) have been issued to States and UTs from time to time. States are provided financial assistance for the same under Centrally Sponsored Scheme, Samagra Shiksha. As regards teacher training of in-service teachers, the Department of School Education & Literacy is implementing an integrated Teacher Training Programme called National Initiative for School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement (NISHTHA). The programme addresses the continuous professional development of teachers and school principals at all stages.

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