

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 51
TO BE ANSWERED ON 18.11.2019**

Public Education System

51. SHRIMATI KANIMOZHI KARUNANIDHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is paucity of latest official data about the public education system and if so, the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether any latest reports/ surveys have been conducted to evaluate the effectiveness of Right to Education post 2015-16 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to analyze and assess the latest data before going forth with the implementation of the draft New education Policy and if so, the details of the timeline of the release of such official data?

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

- (a) No Sir, the Central Government has taken several initiatives to address the issue of timely and accurate data dissemination on public education system. To collect timely and accurate data, a well-functioning and sustainable Educational Management Information System called UDISE+ (UDISE plus) has been launched in 2018-19. It covers 1.54 million schools and 8.9 million teachers of 36 States and UTs.
- (b) & (c) For post 2015-16 period, the report titled "School Education in India, U-DISE Flash Statistics 2016-17" provides information, inter alia, on students' access, availability of infrastructure and teachers in schools across all 36 states and UTs. MHRD has designed a 70 indicators based matrix Performance Grading Index (PGI) to grade the States/UTs. Report on PGI for 2017-18 is available in public domain.

Analysing and assessing the quality of education across all levels from primary to university level is a continuous and ongoing process. Several initiatives are currently being undertaken in this direction. Since 2011-12, the Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE), which was an annual census of schools and teacher, had been instrumental in aligning the 'supply of data' to the 'information demand' in the school education sector. Since 2018-19, the UDISE+ has been launched by the MHRD adding value to the system namely UDISE. Further, the National Achievement Survey (NAS) was conducted throughout the country on November 13, 2017 for Classes 3, 5 and 8 in Government and Government aided schools across the country to assess Learning Outcomes of students. The District Report Cards generated through NAS 2017 has also been released by the MHRD and is available in public domain.
