

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1258
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2020**

Enrolment of Students

1258. SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU:

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

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey to assess the enrolment of student in Government schools after introduction of free education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the factors responsible for reduction of children in Government schools in the recent past;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of funds sanctioned, released and utilized for school education after introduction of free education; and
- (f) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to improve school education system across the country?

A N S W E R

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

(a) To (d) The Department of School Education & Literacy annually collects data on various educational indicators including the enrolment of children at all levels of schooling through the Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE). The UDISE data collection system has been upgraded to UDISE+ from 2018-19. The total enrollment in Government schools in last 4 years as per UDISE is given below:

Year	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Enrollment in Government schools (in Crores)	14.14	13.32	13.72	13.18

Source: UDISE 2016-17 and 2017-18 provisional

(e) The budget details of Department of School Education & Literacy for the last 4 years are given below:

(Rupees in Crores)

Year	Budget	RE	Expenditure	Percent (w.r.to RE/FG*)
2015-16	42219.50	42186.50	41809.26	99.11
2016-17	43554.00	43896.04	42904.22	97.74
2017-18	46356.25	47006.25	46586.12	99.11
2018-19	50000.00	50113.75	48069.80	95.92

* RE: Revised Estimate, FG: Final Grant

(f) Under Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, financial assistance is provided to the States and UTs for various activities to improve school education system across the country which include opening/strengthening of new schools upto senior secondary level, construction of school buildings & additional classrooms, setting up, up-gradation and running of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas, setting up of residential schools/hostels, free uniforms, free text books, transport allowance and undertaking enrolment drives, Seasonal Hostels/ residential camps, Scheme for Providing Quality Education in Madrasas (SPQEM), Infrastructure Development in Minority Institutions (IDMI), National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education (NSIGSE), National Means-cum-Merit Scholarship Scheme (NMMSS). Financial assistance is also provided for Inclusive Education of children with special need. Also, Mid-Day-Meal is provided to students at the elementary level of education. To improve quality of teaching, the central Government initiatives include development of a dedicated digital infrastructure for teachers, DIKSHA, and launching of an integrated teacher training programme titled NISHTHA (National Initiative for School Heads and Teachers' Holistic Advancement).
