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

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1728 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.03.2020

#### **Pupil Teacher Ratio**

1728. SH. D. M. KATHIR ANAND:

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

- (a) the details of schools which maintain the pupil-teacher ratio and physical infrastructure as mandated under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act (RTE);
- (b) whether Government has set any target to achieve the above goals, as mandated in the Act; and
- (c) if so, the details of progress made in this regard?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): Education is in the Concurrent list of the Constitution and majority of the schools are under the domain of the respective State and Union Territory Government which are the appropriate Government under the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (Act), 2009 and are responsible for implementing the various provisions of the RTE Act. As per Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE) 2017-18 (Provisional), 95.56% schools have Girls Toilet, 98.74% schools have Boys toilet, 97.18% schools have drinking water facility, 72.26% schools have ramps, 59.86% schools have boundary wall, 56.72% schools have playground and 79.30% schools have library and 72% schools are PTR compliant.

Further, the Central Government has been supporting States and Union Territories (UT)s for implementation of various provisions of the Act including expenditure incurred on infrastructure development. Under erstwhile Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), till 2017-18 and Samagra Shiksha effective from 2018-19, construction of 3.12 lakh school buildings, 18.98 lakh additional classrooms, provision of 2.46 lakh drinking water facilities and construction of 4.10 lakh Boys' toilets, 5.30 lakh separate girls' toilets, 1.50 lakh Children with Special Needs(CwSN) toilets and 2.83 lakh ramps with hand rails have been sanctioned to States and UTs for elementary schools, Out of which, States and UTs have reported construction of 2.95 lakh school buildings, 18.12 lakh additional classrooms, provision of 2.34 lakh drinking water facility, construction of 3.77 lakh Boys' toilets, 5.09 lakh separate girls' toilets, 1.22 lakh CwSN toilets and 2.46 lakh ramps with hand rails, till 31.12.2019.

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