

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF DEFENCE
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2080
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4th March, 2020

SELECTION OF STUDENTS FOR REPUBLIC DAY

2080. SHRI L.S. TEJASVI SURYA:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of students selected and invited for the Republic Day programme along with the number and names of schools from which the students were selected;
- (b) the procedures followed for the selection of such students;
- (c) whether the Government will come up with a standard operating procedure to select students for programmes like Republic Day, Children's Day, Independence Day etc. and to ensure a fair procedure; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

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MINISTER OF STATE
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(SHRI SHRIPAD NAIK)

(श्री श्रीपाद नाईक)

(a) In so far as Republic Day 2020 is concerned, 636 students from 4 schools participated, as detailed hereunder:-

Sl. No.	Name of Schools/Zonal Cultural Centre	No. of Students
1.	AG DAV Public School, Model Town, Delhi	160
2.	Vinay Nagar Bengali SSS, Sarojini Nagar, New Delhi	162
3.	SKV B-Block, Janakpuri, New Delhi	164
4.	West Zone Cultural Centre (WZCC), Udaipur	150

(b) to (d): There is a well established system for the selection of school children items in the Republic Day Parade. The performances of the various schools which offer to be considered for selection for participation in the Republic Day Parade are assessed by an Expert Committee, consisting of eminent persons in the field of dance, music, choregraphy etc. Based on such assessment, the Expert Committee shortlists the schools for participation in the Republic Day Parade.
