

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1258
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.09.2020

FUNDS TO EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS

1258. MS. RAMYA HARIDAS:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds allocated for the Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) during the current year, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has undertaken any survey to ascertain the extent of fund utilisation;
- (c) whether it is a fact that the quantum of funds required for the development and promotion of education in tribal dominated areas could not be allocated under this scheme and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government would provide the required funds for implementation of this scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI ARJUN MUNDA)

(a) and (b): There is no provision of State-wise allocation of funds under the scheme of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS). However, funds are released to State Governments/State Societies based on the actual requirement of funds under recurring and non-recurring component as admissible under the scheme. Recurring grant in Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) and in Eklavya Model Day Boarding School (EMDBS) are respectively Rs.1.09 lakhs and Rs.0.85 lakhs per student per annum and construction cost of EMRS is Rs. 20.00 crore per school in plain area and Rs. 24.00 crore in North East, Hilly Area, and areas affected by LWE. Total Budget allocation under the scheme of EMRS during the current year, i.e. 2020-21, is Rs. 1313.23 crore. As per provisions of General Financial Rules 2017, utilization certificate and physical progress report are obtained from the State Governments to ascertain the proper utilization of the funds.

(c) and (d): No Sir. During 2019-20, a separate budget head has been created exclusively for the scheme of EMRS and this year required funds have already been allocated under this scheme. However, funds towards construction of EMRS is to be released to the concerned agencies in a phased manner over a period of time. Therefore, funds are projected to be allocated under this scheme in phased manner over the years which will be commensurate with physical targets achieved under the scheme.
