GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4265 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.3.2021

JNV in Aspirational Districts

†4265. SHRI GAJENDRA SINGH PATEL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any new scheme for opening Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas in the aspirational districts is under consideration and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether any new scheme is likely to be launched to improve the educational standard in the aspirational districts?

ANSWER MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

- (a): The Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme is an ongoing scheme which envisages opening of one JNV in each district of the country under which 116 JNVs have been sanctioned in 112 aspirational districts including second JNV in 07 aspirational districts.
- (b): Improving the educational standard in the aspirational districts is a constant endeavour of the Government. Under Samagra Shiksha Scheme, an amount of Rs. 1890.55 Crore has been approved for aspirational districts during the last 3 years for the purpose of establishment of new/upgrading of school buildings including Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas and strengthening existing schools by providing requisite infrastructural facilities as well for strengthening teacher education infrastructure. Further, the following educational indicators are closely monitored:
 - Transition Rate- primary to upper primary and upper primary to secondary;
 - Mathematics and language performance in Class 3, 5 and 8;
 - Percentage of schools with functional girl's toilets;
 - Percentage of schools with functional drinking water facility;
 - Percentage of schools with functional electricity facility at secondary level;
 - Percentage of elementary schools complying with RTE specified Pupil Teacher; Ratio (PTR) Female Literacy Rate (15+ age group).
