

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3378
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2021

Adolescent Health Programme

3378. SHRI THOMAS CHAZHIKADAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Scheme of Samagra Shiksha of the Government is fulfilling its unique objectives of providing sanitary pad vending machines and incinerators in schools;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, along with the relevant details of funds provided to the State-specific special projects such as Adolescent Health Programme, Programmes on Menstrual Health and Hygiene, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has carried out any survey to assess the number of school days missed by girls because of the lack of access to hygienic sanitary products or due to disease from the use of unhygienic sanitary products; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

A N S W E R

**MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

(a) to (d): Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education is implementing the scheme of Samagra Shiksha under which, inter-alia, state specific projects under equity are emphasized for enhancing access, retention and quality for girls by promoting enrolment drives, retention and motivation camps, gender sensitization modules etc. Financial Support is provided under state specific projects as per the allocation of flexi fund under quality to the States and UTs. Subject to viable proposals received from the respective State and UTs, among others, Incinerators, Sanitary Pad Vending Machines, Life Skills and Awareness programmes etc., for varied interventions are approved under state specific projects for equity.

State/UT-wise list of funds approved for Incinerator, Sanitary Pad Vending Machines and Sanitary Pad & Vending & Incinerator Machine under state specific projects for Equity is at Annexure-I and State/UT-wise list of funds approved for various programmes other than Incinerator and Sanitary Pad Vending Machine under State Specific Projects for Equity under Samagra Shiksha is at Annexure-II.

All States and UTs have been requested to take necessary steps to create awareness amongst adolescent girls in schools about safe usage and benefits of Sanitary Napkins which would further help in increasing retention and reducing drop-out of adolescent girls in schools. Further, it is also communicated that subsidized sanitary napkins are available at the Jan Aushadi Kendras set up by the Ministry of Chemical and Fertilisers, Government of India and States are free to explore the possibility of convergence with Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the matter.

As menstrual hygiene management is an integral part of the Swachh Bharat Mission Guidelines, Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation has issued Menstrual Hygiene Management Guideline to support all adolescent girls and women which outlines what needs to be done by School Head teachers, teachers and others.

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Funds approved under Samagra Shiksha for Incinerator, Sanitary Pad Vending Machines and Sanitary Pad & Vending & Incinerator Machine for the year 2018-19 to 2020-21

(Rs. In lakh)

S. No.	State/UT	Amount
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	58.86
2	Delhi	1148.34
3	Gujarat	101.00
4	Haryana	1459.80
5	Himachal Pradesh	6.60
6	Jammu And Kashmir	745.14
7	Ladakh	33.00
8	Lakshadweep	16.00
9	Madhya Pradesh	477.12
10	Mizoram	261.44
11	Manipur	48.00
12	Punjab	1041.72
13	Rajasthan	1604.80
14	Sikkim	6.00
15	Tamil Nadu	643.20
16	Telangana	402.24
17	Tripura	60.00
18	Uttar Pradesh	1439.68
19	Uttarakhand	316.50
	Total	9869.44

(Source: Prabandh)

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Funds approved for various programmes other than Incinerator and Sanitary Pad Vending Machine under State Specific Projects for Equity under Samagra Shiksha for the year 2020-21

(Rs. in lakh)

S. No.	State/UT	Amount
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	10.68
2	Andhra Pradesh	626.66
3	Arunachal Pradesh	14.15
4	Assam	383.46
5	Bihar	91.02
6	Chandigarh	19.20
7	Chhattisgarh	176.91
8	Delhi	80.70
9	Dnd - Dnh	79.62
10	Goa	106.18
11	Gujarat	1581.86
12	Haryana	460.10
13	Himachal Pradesh	261.68
14	Jammu And Kashmir	246.70
15	Karnataka	141.75
16	Kerala	124.00
17	Ladakh	11.00
18	Lakshadweep	8.66
19	Madhya Pradesh	468.76
20	Manipur	155.62
21	Meghalaya	7.56
22	Mizoram	58.45
23	Odisha	301.90
24	Puducherry	32.40
25	Punjab	140.96
26	Rajasthan	2300.96
27	Sikkim	329.27
28	Tamil Nadu	264.42
29	Telangana	403.35
30	Tripura	85.85
31	Uttar Pradesh	2436.82
32	Uttarakhand	12.70
33	West Bengal	508.14
Grand Total		11931.49

(Source: Prabandh)

