

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.163
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.11.2021**

Kendriya Vidyalayas in Odisha

163. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) during the current academic year;
- (b) if so, the States where these new KVs are proposed to be set up;
- (c) whether any new KV is proposed to be set up in Sundargarh and other Scheduled Districts in Odisha and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) Opening of new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) is a continuous process. KVs are opened on the basis of availability of Central Government employees, land and temporary accommodation as per Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) norms. The KVs are opened primarily to cater to the educational needs of the children of transferable Central Government employees including Defence & Para-Military personnel, Central Autonomous Bodies, Central Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Central Institute of Higher Learning (IHL) by providing a common programme of education. Proposals for opening of new KVs are considered only if sponsored by Ministries or Departments of the Government of India / State Governments / Union Territories (UTs) Administrations and committing resources for setting up a new KV. The proposals received from various sponsoring authorities found fulfilling the mandatory pre-requisites for opening of new KVs have to compete with other such proposals under the "Challenge Method" and also subject to approval of the competent authority.

(c) & (d) At present, 63 KVs (including 04 KVs in Sundargarh District) are functioning in the State of Odisha. Proposal for opening of a new KV in Sundargarh District has not been received by KVS. KVS has informed that 08 proposals for opening of new KVs at Patnagarh & Titlagarh Railway (Bolangir), Kochinda (Sambalpur), Jaypore (Koraput), Udala (Mayurbhanj), Athamallick (Angul), ITBP Khurda (Khurda) and Champua (Keonjhar) have been received by KVS. Out of these 08 proposals, proposal for KV Titlagarh Railway found fulfilling the pre-requisites as per norms of KVS. The proposed land and temporary building for opening of a new KV at ITBP Khurda have been inspected by the Joint Committee of KVS and ITBP. There are some discrepancies / deficiencies in remaining 06 proposals which have been brought to the notice of concerned district administrations by KVS for necessary rectification.
