

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2502
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2021**

District-wise Kendriya Vidyalayas

**†2502. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH:
SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to have any scheme for setting up Kendriya Vidyalayas in each district (Tehsil -rural areas) of the country and if so, the details thereof State-wise/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government has made any survey in this regard within Assam and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that there is an urgent public demand of opening new KV in Hailakandi District of Assam;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to open KV in the said district and if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be opened;
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (f) whether the Government is going to take concrete steps to upgrade standard of education in Government Schools on the lines of Kendriya Vidyalaya;
- (g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)**

(a) to (e) Opening of new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) is a continuous process. KVs are opened primarily to cater to the educational needs of the wards 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 subject to approval of the competent authority.

There is no scheme under consideration of the Government to open KVs in each district (tehsil–rural areas). At present, 1245 KVs (including 58 KVs in the State of Assam) are functioning in the country. 01 KV is already functioning in Hailakandi District of Assam. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has not received any proposal in the prescribed proforma for opening of a new KV in Hailakandi District.

(f) & (g) To improve the standard of education in the country, the Government has taken several steps, which are as under:-

- Central RTE Rules have been amended on 20th February, 2017 to include reference on class-wise, subject-wise Learning Outcomes at the Elementary level.
- National Achievement Survey (NAS) is conducted to enable States/UTs to identify gaps in learning outcomes, and take remedial steps. NAS 2021 has been conducted on 12th November 2021.
- A 70 indicator based matrix Performance Grading Index (PGI) has been developed to grade the States/UTs.
- NISHTHA integrated training programme 1.0, 2.0, and 3.0 Integrated Teacher Training Programme has been introduced for different stages of school education - Teachers, Head Teachers/Principals and other stakeholders in Educational Management and Administration have been introduced:-
 - NISHTHA 1.0 for Elementary level (Classes I-VIII)
 - NISHTHA 2.0 for Secondary level (Classes IX-XII)
 - NISHTHA 3.0 for NIPUN Bharat (ECCE to Class V)
- Learning Outcomes for Secondary level have been notified.
- The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) was entrusted to conduct teachers training through ODL (Open Distance Learning) mode, which has been completed by about 9.58 lakh teachers.
- National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN Bharat) has been launched for ensuring that every child in the country necessarily attains foundational literacy and numeracy (FLN) at Grade 3 by the end of 2026-27. The goals and objectives of the mission are required to be achieved by all Govt., Govt. Aided and Private Schools so that universal acquisition of FLN skills can be achieved by 2026-27.

- To enhance the focus on learning outcomes, Samagra Shiksha Scheme has been launched for a period of five years i.e., from 2021-22 to 2025-26. The scheme covers 1.16 million schools, over 156 million students and 5.7 million teachers of Govt. and Aided schools (from pre-primary to senior secondary level). New interventions have been incorporated and emphasis has been given on quality components in the revamped Samagra Shiksha based on the recommendations of the National Education Policy 2020. The Scheme focuses on improvement in quality of education by providing support for different interventions to all States and UTs, like in-service training of teachers and school heads, conduct of achievement surveys at state and national level, composite school grant to every school for providing a conducive learning environment, grants for library, sports and physical activities, support for Rashtriya Avishkar Abhiyan, ICT and digital initiatives, School Leadership development programme, remedial teaching for academically weaker students, support for Padhe Bharat Badhe Bharat, etc.

Also, the National Education Policy, 2020 focuses on improving the standard of education through various measures such as the introduction of New pedagogical and curricular structure, Early Childhood Care and Education, Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, Transforming Assessment for Student Development, Experiential and Competency-based Learning etc.
