

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 894
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 07/02/2022

DIGITAL CLASS ROOMS IN EMRS

894. SHRIMATI NUSRAT JAHAN RUHI:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of digital classrooms set up or planned to be set up in existing Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS);
- (b) whether the Government met its proposed target of completing the first set of classrooms in 50 schools by December 2021; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SMT. RENUKA SINGH SARUTA)

- (a) The project entitled “Establishment of Intelligent Educational Infrastructure (SMART) in Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs)” is being presently implemented in those EMRSs which are functioning from its own buildings. The project is being funded jointly under Schedule Tribe component (STC) component of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (90% contribution) and Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) (10% contribution). The total outlay of the project is Rs.3629.75 lakh and the project is being implemented through ERNET India which is an agency of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. 175 EMRSs are envisaged to be covered under the project in next two years. The project is also being monitored by Project Review and Steering Group (PRSG) constituted by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- (b) & (c) The timeline to setup smart educational infrastructure in 48 schools during first year is 31st March, 2022 and remaining in next year. The whole process to set up digital classrooms includes installation of Interactive Digital Board (IDB) (8 Nos.), UPS (8 Nos.) Access Points (4 Nos.), internet connectivity and teachers’ training. All these requirement except internet connectivity have been completed in 42 EMRSs and the process of fixing internet connectivity in these schools is underway.
