

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1208
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2022

Self Defence Training for Girls

1208. SHRI B.B.PATIL:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Self Defence Training is imparted to Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes/Economically Weaker Section girl students in Government Schools under Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the age group of girls shortlisted for this purpose;
- (c) the number of schools engaged in conducting Self Defence Trainings for safety and security of girls during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (d) the funds allocated/spent during the said period on such training and the number of girls trained during the said period; and
- (e) whether the Government has been able to ensure safety and security of girls by imparting Self Defence Training and if so, the details thereof and the achievement made by the Government in this regard?

A N S W E R

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

(a) to (c): Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education is implementing the centrally sponsored scheme of Samagra Shiksha, under which self defence training is imparted to girls of classes VI to XII, studying in Government Schools, irrespective of their social categories. Self defence training is also given in Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) which are residential schools for girls of Class VI to XII belonging to disadvantaged groups such as SC, ST, OBC, Minority and Below Poverty Line. Details of number of schools approved for Self Defence Training for Girls under Samagra Shiksha from the year 2019-20 to 2022-23 are as under:

Sl. No.	Year	No. of Schools	
		Elementary	Secondary
1	2019-20	180160	81800
2	2020-21	147784	81438
3	2021-22	163045	56869
4	2022-23	188005	83031

(Source: Prabandh)

(d) & (e): Samagra Shiksha scheme has now been extended till 2025-26 and the Self Defence training has been renamed as 'Rani Laxmi Bai Aatma Raksha Prashikshan'. The fund for this component has been increased from Rs. 3000/- to Rs. 5000/- per month per school for three months. Self Defence training aims to ensure safety and security of girls, empower girls to tackle risk of assault and boost their self confidence. Details of funds allocated/spent during the last three years and the current year on self defence training of girls in schools under Samagra Shiksha and the number of Government schools approved for the same are as under:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No	Year	Elementary				Secondary			
		Approvals		Expenditure		Approvals		Expenditure	
		No. of Schools	Financial	No. of Schools	Financial	No. of School	Financial	No. of School	Financial
1	2019-20	180160	15346.25	124287	7684.411	81800	6656.358	42241	3071.113
2	2020-21	147784	13300.56	44721	1486.846	81438	7329.42	38300	2120.902
3	2021-22*	163045	8320.49	36381	1125.521	56869	3337.27	8457	350.338
4	2022-23	188005	23106.85	188005	--	83031	9082.63	83031	--

(Source: Prabandh)

*In the year 2021-22, funds approved only for one month due to COVID-19 pandemic.
