

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2493
TO BE ANSWERED ON 1st AUGUST, 2022

Promotion of Higher Education in Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand

†2493. **SHRI MOHAN MANDAVI:**
SHRI CHUNNI LAL SAHU:
SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to give a fillip to higher education in Baster, Kanker, Gariyaband and Dhamtari districts of Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand in the remote areas of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of the programmes launched by the Government to promote higher education in the border, rural, tribal and hilly areas of the country during the last five years?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(Dr. SUBHAS SARKAR)

(a) to (c): Education being in the Concurrent List, enhancing the quality of education is the responsibility of both the Central and State Governments. However, recognizing the need for central assistance, the Central Government has implemented various schemes for supporting State Governments. Department of Higher Education is implementing a centrally sponsored scheme of Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) with aim to promote access, equity and quality, inter alia. The scheme provides central assistance to States under various components. Under RUSA, priority has been given to unserved and underserved areas such as educationally backward districts, Aspirational Districts, border, rural, tribal and hilly areas etc. Under RUSA, projects worth Rs. 433.00 crores have been approved in Chhattisgarh including Rs. 44.00 crores in the districts of Baster, Kanker, Gariyaband and Dhamtari and projects worth Rs. 630.24 crores have been approved in the State of Jharkhand.
