

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3595**  
ANSWERED ON 08.08.2022

**ICT Facilities for out of School Children**

3595. SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the percentage of school dropout rates during the last year State-wise;
- (b) the reasons for increase in school dropout rates;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps under the Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan to provide digital devices and Information and Communication Technology facilities to support out of school children belonging to socio-economically disadvantaged groups to complete their education via National Institute of Open School (NIOS)/State Institute of Open School (SIOS); and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**  
(SHRIMATI ANNPURNA DEVI)

(a) to (d): As per Unified District Information System for Education (UDISE+), 2020-21, the State/UT-wise details of dropout rates in the year 2020-21 are at **Annexure**.

As per the Report of National Statistical Survey (NSS) 75<sup>th</sup> Round, the reasons for not attending or dropping out of school, inter-alia, include poverty/economic reasons, child not interested in studies, children engaged in domestic activities or in economic activities.

Education is a Concurrent subject under the Constitution of India and majority of schools come under the purview of State/UT Government. The Ministry of Education has taken various steps for providing continued access to education, which are available to each category of students irrespective of their region or economic standard. A comprehensive initiative called PM e-Vidya has been started which aims to unify all efforts related to digital/online/on-air education to enable multi-mode access to education. The initiative includes all forms of digital modes to provide wide access- DIKSHA (online), SWAYAM (online), SWAYAM PRABHA (TV), other TV Channels including use of Doordarshan and AIR Networks, special e-content for visually and hearing impaired developed on Digitally Accessible Information System (DAISY) and in sign language on NIOS website/ YouTube.

Further, an Alternate Academic Calendar has been prepared for learning solutions for grade 1 to 12 for both children with and without device. Also, PRAGYATA guidelines were issued to States/UTs to facilitate continued education through various modes. The guidelines inter-alia include situation where internet connectivity is not available or available with very less bandwidth, resources are shared through various platforms like television, radio etc. that do not depend on internet. Further, for the first time in 2021-22, financial assistance upto Rs. 2000 per annum has been envisioned for supporting Out of School Children of age group of 16-19 years, belonging to socio economically disadvantaged groups, for completing their education through NIOS/SIOS, for accessing course materials and certification.

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**ANNEXURE**

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3595 TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2022 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV REGARDING ICT FACILITIES FOR OUT OF SCHOOL CHILDREN**

**Statement showing State/UT wise Annual Average Dropout Rate**

State/UT	2020-21	
	Elementary	Secondary
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	1.6	7.0
Andhra Pradesh	0.0	16.7
Arunachal Pradesh	7.8	10.1
Assam	3.8	30.3
Bihar	0.0	17.6
Chandigarh	0.0	0.0
Chhattisgarh	1.9	13.4
Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	3.2	17.7
Delhi	0.0	6.1
Goa	1.2	5.7
Gujarat	2.3	23.3
Haryana	2.0	10.8
Himachal Pradesh	1.7	7.6
Jammu And Kashmir	4.0	3.7
Jharkhand	4.1	13.0
Karnataka	1.4	16.6
Kerala	0.0	7.1
Ladakh	3.4	3.4
Lakshadweep	0.0	0.0
Madhya Pradesh	3.2	23.8
Maharashtra	1.2	11.2
Manipur	7.1	9.4
Meghalaya	7.9	27.6
Mizoram	7.1	20.0
Nagaland	5.3	23.6
Odisha	0.0	16.0
Puducherry	0.0	6.9
Punjab	0.0	9.0
Rajasthan	1.5	8.9
Sikkim	0.0	21.6
Tamil Nadu	0.6	6.4
Telangana	0.0	13.9
Tripura	4.7	26.7
Uttar Pradesh	2.9	12.5
Uttarakhand	1.9	8.3
West Bengal	0.0	13.3
<b>All India</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>14.0</b>

Source: UDISE+

In 2020-21 D&NH and Daman & Diu merged