

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY  
**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 1008**

ANSWERED ON- 29/07/2024

**UPGRADATION OF SCHOOLS UNDER SAMAGRA SHIKSHA ABHIYAN**

1008. SHRI RAJESH VERMA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has set any objective for Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA);
- (b) if so, the details thereof and whether these objectives have been achieved, so far;
- (c) the challenges faced by the Government while implementing the scheme;
- (d) the number of Elementary, Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools that have been upgraded under SSA during each of the last three years and the current year in the country especially in Bihar; and
- (e) the number of schools in which library and sports equipment facilities provided and also classes upgraded under SSA during the said period?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): The Department of School Education and Literacy is implementing an Integrated Centrally Sponsored Scheme for School Education- Samagra Shiksha since 2018-19. The scheme has been redesigned and aligned with the recommendations of the National Education Policy, 2020. It aims to ensure that all children have access to quality education with an equitable and inclusive classroom environment which should take care of their diverse background, multilingual needs, different academic abilities and make them active participants in a continuous learning process.

The major objectives of the Scheme are: (i) Support States and UTs in implementing the recommendations of the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020); (ii) Support States in implementation of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009; (iii) Focus on Early Childhood Care and Education; (iv) Emphasis on Foundational Literacy and Numeracy; (v) Thrust on Holistic, Integrated, Inclusive and activity based Curriculum and Pedagogy to impart 21st century skills among the students; (vi) Provision of quality education and enhancing learning outcomes of students; (vii) Bridging Social and Gender Gaps in School Education; (viii) Ensuring equity and inclusion at all levels of school education; (ix) Strengthening and up-gradation of State Councils for Educational Research and Training (SCERTs)/State Institutes of Education and District Institutes for Education and Training (DIET) as nodal agency

for teacher training; (x) Ensuring safe, secure and conducive learning environment and maintenance of standards in schooling provisions and (xi) Promoting skill education.

(c) & (d): As per norms of the scheme, the annual plans are prepared by the States and UTs as per their requirements/ priority and the same is reflected in their respective Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) Proposals. These plans are then appraised and approved/estimated by the Project Approval Board (PAB) in the Department of School Education & Literacy in consultation with the States and UTs as per the programmatic and financial norms of the scheme and physical and financial progress of the State for the interventions approved earlier. The State of Bihar did not submit any proposal for upgradation of schools during the last 3 years (2021-2022 to 2023-2024) and current year.

The number of schools approved for upgradation during the last 3 years (2021-2022 to 2023-2024) and current year at national level is given below:-

S.	Components	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
1	New/Upgraded Upper Primary Schools	15	205	92	30
2	New/Upgraded Secondary Schools	46	77	112	87
3	New/Upgraded Sr. Secondary Schools	37	100	156	2

**Source: PRABANDH**

(e): The number of schools in which library and sports equipment facilities have been approved during the last 3 years (2021-2022 to 2023-2024) and current year at national level is given below:-

S. NO.	Year	Component	Physical
1.	2024-25	Sports & Physical Education (upto highest class VIII)	527602
2.		Sports & Physical Education (upto highest class XIII)	49829
3.		Library Grants (upto highest class VIII)	225244
4.		Library Grants (upto highest class XII)	53312
5.	2023-24	Library Grants	855228
6.		Sports & Physical Education	961507
7.	2022-23	Library Grants (upto highest class VIII)	227195
8.		Sports & Physical Education	833149
9.	2021-22	Library Grants	1012194
10.		Sports & Physical Education	982483

*Source: PRABANDH*

The number of classes approved for upgradation during the last 3 years (2021-2022 to 2023-2024) and current year at national level is given below:-

Component	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
New Schools Additional Stream (classes upgraded)	175	752	37	55

**Source: PRABANDH**