# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

### LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2080 ANSWERED ON 05.08.2024

#### RASHTRIYA UCHCHTAR SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

2080. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY: SHRI APPALANAIDY KALISETTI: SHRI G LAKSHMINARAYANA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of Rashtriya Uchchtar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA);
- (b) the details of funds allocated and number of higher education institutes benefited by this scheme in Andhra Pradesh, district wise;
- (c) the number of new universities and colleges established under the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) in the last five years in Andhra Pradesh, districtwise:
- (d) the details of funds allocated and disbursed and utilised under RUSA for the establishment of new institutions in Andhra Pradesh, categorized by year and district;
- (e) the current status of the above projects funded and milestones achieved;
- (f) any challenges or delays encountered in implementing RUSA-funded projects in Andhra Pradesh and the reasons thereof;
- (g) whether there is any planned project/pending proposal for the development of a new university in the Vizianagram district, if so, the details thereof; and
- (h) whether there is a pending proposal for the development of an Energy University in the Anantapur district, if so, the reasons for the pendency and the expected timeline for the consideration and approval?

#### ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION (Dr. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)

(a) to (f): Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), launched in 2013, is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme aimed at funding specific State government universities and colleges to improve their quality by ensuring their conformity to prescribed norms and standards. The second phase of scheme was launched in 2017. The government has now launched the third phase of RUSA as Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) in June 2023 with an outlay of Rs. 12926.10 crore for the period 2023-24 to 2025-26 to cater to needs of educationally unserved/ underserved areas. Under PM-USHA, priority is given to Focus Districts. The focus districts are identified by

the concerned States/ UTs based on various criteria including low Gross Enrolment Ratio, Gender Parity, population proportion and enrolment proportion for females, transgenders, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and Other Backward Classes, Aspirational/ Border Area/ Left Wing Extremism prone district, etc.

The scheme envisages improvement in access, equity and excellence in State Higher Education system through support under various components viz., Multi-Disciplinary Education and Research Universities (MERU), Grants to Strengthen Universities, Grants to Strengthen Colleges, New Model Degree Colleges (NMDC) and Gender Inclusion and Equity Initiatives. Under the scheme, 440 units have been approved with a total amount of Rs. 5613.12 Crore under various components.

Since inception, 158 units have been approved in Andhra Pradesh, with central support of Rs. 662.19 Crore under various components of the scheme. An amount of Rs. 338.21 Crore has been released to Andhra Pradesh, so far. The details of central funds approved to various higher education institutions in Andhra Pradesh is annexed (Annexure-I).

Under the earlier phases of RUSA, 9 units have been approved to provide support for establishment of new institutions, out of which 6 institutions are currently functional. The details of amount approved, released and utilized in these institutions is annexed (Annexure-II). The projects were delayed in general due to land alienation issues in the State, Covid-19 pandemic, slow pace of expenditure by the institutions/ executive agencies, etc.

- (g): Under the Ministry of Education, the Central Tribal University of Andhra Pradesh (CTUAP) has been established in Vizianagram district which has started functioning from its transit campus since academic year 2019-20.
- (h): There is no such proposal pending with the Ministry of Education.

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ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PARTS (A) TO (E) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2080 TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.08.2024 ASKED BY SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY, SHRI APPALANAIDY KALISETTI AND SHRI G LAKSHMINARAYANA, HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING RASHTRIYA UCHCHTAR SHIKSHA ABHIYAN

Details of central funds approved to various higher education institutions in Andhra Pradesh, since inception:

S. No.	District	Number of Units Approved	Central Share Approved (Rs. Crore)
1	Alluri Sitharama Raju	1	3.00
2	Anantapur	13	43.80
3	Annamayya	1	3.00
4	Chittoor	17	174.00
5	East Godavari	16	47.80
6	Eluru	1	3.00
7	Guntur	15	58.80
8	Kakinada	1	3.00
9	Konaseema	1	3.00
10	Krishna	13	19.20
11	Kurnool	11	61.80
12	Nandyal	1	3.00
13	Nellore	7	8.40
14	NTR	1	3.00
15	Parvathipuram Manyam	1	3.00
16	Prakasam	7	16.20
17	Spsr Nellore	1	3.00
18	Sri Sathya Sai	1	3.00
19	Srikakulam	8	17.40
20	Tirupati	1	3.00
21	Visakhapatanam	1	3.00
22	Visakhapatnam	11	91.20
23	Vizianagaram	5	18.00
24	West Godavari	13	23.40
25	Y.S.R.	2	15.00
26	Ysr Kadapa	7	25.20
	State as a unit	1	6.00
	Total	158	662.19

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Details of amount approved, released and utilized for establishment of new institutions in Andhra Pradesh, since inception:

Component: Creation of Universities by Conversion of Colleges in a Cluster

S. No.	Institution Name	Phase	Total Amount Approved (Rs. Crore)	Total Amount Released (Rs. Crore)	Total Amount Utilized (Rs. Crore)
1	Silver Jubliee Govt College(A) Kurnool (Lead College), Kurnool	1.0	55.00	43.47	43.47

## Component: New Model Degree Colleges

S. No.	Institution Name	Phase	Total Amount Approved (Rs. Crore)	Total Amount Released (Rs. Crore)	Total Amount Utilized (Rs. Crore)
1	GDC Cheepurupali, Vizianagaram **	1.0	12.00	12.00	11.55
2	GDC Pathapatnam, Srikakulam **	1.0	12.00	11.70	11.70
3	GDC, Atmakur, Kurnool **	1.0	12.00	12.00	10.80
4	GDC Jagampeta, East Godavari **	1.0	10.66	10.66	10.66
5	GDC Kamawarapukota, West Godavari **	1.0	12.00	10.81	10.81
6	GDC Yerragondapalem, Prakasam **	1.0	12.00	10.51	8.38
7	NMDC, Araku, Visakhapatnam	2.0	12.00	9.59	9.59
8	NMDC, Pendlimarri, Ysr Kadapa	2.0	12.00	11.31	11.31

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