

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

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2181  
ANSWERED ON 09.12.2024**

**STATUS OF KVs IN ODISHA**

**2181. SHRI PRADEEP PUROHIT:**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of the proposed Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV) in Brajrajnagar, Jharsuguda district in Odisha;
- (b) whether any financial allocation has been made for this project and if so, the amount allocated for the project;
- (c) whether the Government has fixed any timeline for implementation of this project;
- (d) whether there is any proposals of the Government to establish a KV in Padampur, Bargarh district to cater the educational needs of the region;
- (e) whether the Government has any plans to consider the project in the upcoming budget to address the lack of quality education infrastructure in these areas;
- (f) the steps being taken by the Government to expedite the establishment of KVs in these districts, considering the growing demand for CBSE-affiliated schools therein; and
- (g) whether there are any additional funds/resources allocated for enhancing educational infrastructure in Western Odisha, particularly in Jharsuguda and Bargarh districts?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION  
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)**

(a) to (f) Opening of new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) is a continuous process. KVs are opened primarily to cater to the educational needs of the wards of transferable Central Government Employees including Defence & Para-military personnel, Central Autonomous Bodies, Central Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Central Institute of Higher Learning (IHL) by providing a common programme of education throughout

the country. Proposals for opening of new KVs may be sponsored by Ministries or Departments of the Government of India / State Governments / Union Territories (UTs) Administrations, with commitment to provide requisite resources including land and temporary accommodation for setting up a new KV as per norms. The proposals are subject to approval of the competent authority as per extant procedure.

At present, 1253 KVs are functioning across the country including 67 KVs in the State of Odisha. Out of 67 KVs in the state of Odisha, there is 01 KV each in the districts of Jharsuguda and Bargarh. As per information received from Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), no feasible proposal, as per norms of KVS, has been received for opening of a new KV at Brajrajnagar, Jharsuguda district and Padampur, Bargarh district from concerned State Government / District Administration.

(g) The Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India has announced on 03.07.2024 to saturate Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Labs and Smart Classrooms, as per Samagra Shiksha norms, in all functional Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBV) and Hostel to empower girl students, make them digitally savvy, and enhance their learning outcomes. The Proposals were received from the States/UTs for saturating ICT Labs and Smart Classroom facilities in all the functional KGBVs and subsequently it was approved in Supplementary PAB 2024-25. In Supplementary PAB, an amount of Rs. 969.62 lakhs was approved for 95 ICT labs & 319 Smart Classrooms in Odisha State including Rs. 25.46 lakhs for 7 Smart Classrooms and 3 ICT labs in Bargarh district.

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