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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:- 3250
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Vacancies of Teachers in Elementary Schools

3250. SHRI VARUN CHAUDHRY:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the sanctioned post of teachers in elementary schools and the number of vacancies in such schools;
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to fill the vacancies; and
- (c) the timeline fixed by the Government for filling the sanctioned posts?

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

(a) to (c): Education being a subject in the Concurrent List of the Constitution, an overwhelming majority of the schools in the country comes under the administrative control of States/UTs. The recruitment, service conditions and rational deployment of teachers come under the purview of the respective State Governments/UT Administrations. Further, Recruitment is a continuous process and vacancies get generated due to a number of factors like retirement, resignation, increased requirement of teachers as a result of the enhanced students' strength etc. As reported by the State Governments/Union Territory administrations, for the Financial Year 2024-25, there are a total of 45,46,395 sanctioned posts at the elementary level of schooling across the country.

The Central Government through the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Samagra Shiksha, provides financial assistance to the States and UTs to maintain appropriate Pupil-Teacher Ratio (PTR) for various levels of schooling, as per norms prescribed in the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009, as amended from time to time. The progress regarding filling up of teacher vacancies through a competitive selection examination conducted by States/UTs, with due care for consistency and sanctity and after a technology based comprehensive teacher requirement planning and forecasting exercise, is periodically reviewed by the Department of School Education & Literacy with States/UTs.
