

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 4075
TO BE ANSWERED ON- 19/12/2024

EKLAVYA MODEL RESIDENTIAL SCHOOLS IN WEST BENGAL

4075. SHRI JAGANNATH SARKAR:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the list of blocks in West Bengal with more than 50 per cent Scheduled Tribe (ST) population as per the 2011 Census;
- (b) the details of the blocks out of the above currently having operational Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS);
- (c) the reasons for the absence of EMRS in other eligible blocks;
- (d) whether there is any proposal for establishing new EMRS in these blocks or other areas in West Bengal in the near future and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has a list of the top twenty blocks in West Bengal with the highest Scheduled Tribe (ST) population as per the 2011 Census and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI. DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) to (d): The Central Sector Scheme of Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) was launched in the year 2018-19 to provide quality education at par with Navodaya Vidyalaya to the tribal children in their own environment. 440 EMRSs, one EMRS in every block having more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons (as per census 2011) have been approved, provided land is to be provided by the State Government. Before 2018-19, 288 schools were sanctioned under Article 275(1).

Total 9 schools have been sanctioned in West Bengal, which include 08 EMRSs sanctioned under Article 275 (1) before 2018. All 08 EMRSs are functional and the construction work has been completed at 07 locations by the State Government. Though Ministry has made sufficient fund available to State Government of West Bengal, the EMRS Kalimpong work is yet to be started by State Government

As per census 2011, only Bundwan block of Purulia Distric, fulfilling twin criteria has been identified for establishment of EMRS under the new scheme. The EMRS in Bundwan block is not operational, as the State Government has not been able to provide land to the construction agency. List of EMR Schools of West Bengal is as follows:-

S. No.	District	Block/ Taluka	Village	Scheme	Year of Sanction
1	Bankura	Khatra	Gorabari	Article 275 (1)	1997-98
2	Birbhum	Bolpur Sriniketan	Kankutia	Article 275 (1)	2005-06
3	Dakshin Dinajpur	Bansihari	Kuarsai	Article 275 (1)	2005-06
4	Jalpaiguri	Nagrakata	Sulkapara	Article 275 (1)	1997-98
5	Jhargram	Jhargram	Jhargram (Satyabanpally)	Article 275 (1)	1997-98
6	Kalimpong	Kalimpong	Kalimpong	Article 275 (1)	2018-19 (Old)
7	Paschim Bardhaman	Kanksa	Raghunathpur	Article 275 (1)	1997-98
8	Purulia	Manbazar - II	Shusina	Article 275 (1)	1997-98
9	Purulia	Bundwan	State is yet to provide land	New Scheme	State is yet to provide land

(e): List of top twenty blocks in West Bengal having the highest Scheduled Tribe (ST) population as per the 2011 Census is given below:

S. No	District Name	Sub District Name	Total Population	ST Population	% ST Population
1	Puruliya	Bundwan	94929	49232	51.86
2	Jalpaiguri	Nagrakata	127397	62624	49.16
3	Puruliya	Manbazar - II	97164	47580	48.97
4	Bankura	Ranibundh	119089	56061	47.07
5	Jalpaiguri	Matiali	117540	51789	44.06
6	Jalpaiguri	Kalchini	298458	120282	40.30
7	Paschim Medinipur	Nayagram	142199	56887	40.01
8	Paschim Medinipur	Binpur - II	164522	65722	39.95
9	Jalpaiguri	Madarihat	202026	78314	38.76
10	Darjiling	Kalimpong - II	66830	24773	37.07
11	Jalpaiguri	Mal	299556	103356	34.50
12	Darjiling	Kalimpong -I	74746	25657	34.33
13	Paschim Medinipur	Keshiary	149260	51128	34.25
14	Paschim Medinipur	Gopiballavpur - I	108254	36819	34.01
15	Darjiling	Rangli Rangliot	70125	23187	33.07
16	Puruliya	Santuri	78515	25083	31.95
17	Puruliya	Balarampur	137950	43738	31.71
18	Darjiling	Kurseong	94347	29232	30.98
19	Darjiling	Mirik	46374	14280	30.79
20	Darjiling	Phansidewa	204522	62595	30.61
