GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1788
ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025**

Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) in Andhra Pradesh

1788. Shri Appalanaidu Kalisetti:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) the details of data on education-related indicators such as high school enrolment rates, dropout rates and literacy rates in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise;
(b) the criteria used for identifying educationally backward districts and whether these criteria are periodically updated, if so, the details thereof along with the educationally backward districts in Andhra Pradesh;
(c) the details of districts selected under the Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) program in Andhra Pradesh for establishment of Model Degree Colleges including the dates of approval and their current status;
(d) the details of total funds allocated, released and utilized under RUSA for the creation of Model Degree Colleges and other infrastructure improvements in Andhra Pradesh during the last five years; and
(e) whether any proposals is pending for inclusion of additional districts in Andhra Pradesh, particularly in educationally backward areas, under the RUSA program and the Government's plans for expanding this initiative?

ANSWER

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

(a): The details of school enrolment, dropout rate, GER and literacy rate of Andhra Pradesh are at Annexure-I.

(b)& (c): The government has launched the third phase of Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA) in June 2023 in the form of Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (PM-USHA) with an outlay of Rs. 12,926.10 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.

Under RUSA 1.0, 4 Model Degree Colleges (MDCs) in district Prakasam, Kurnool, East Godavari, and West Godavari and 2 MDCs in district Vizianagaram and Srikakulam were approved during the 1st Project Approval Board (PAB) meeting held on 06.11.2013 and the 6th PAB meeting held on 27.03.2015 respectively. Under RUSA 2.0, 2 more MDCs were approved in district Y.S.R. and Visakhapatnam during the 12th PAB meeting held on 25.05.2018. As per the information furnished by the State, all the above 8 MDCs approved in the State of Andhra Pradesh are functional.

(d) & (e): Since the inception of RUSA in 2013, 166 units including 33 units under PM-USHA have been approved in Andhra Pradesh, with central support of Rs. 734.23 Crore under various components of the scheme, including creation of Model Degree Colleges and other infrastructure improvements. An amount of Rs. 339.24 Crore has been released to the State so far, including release of Rs. 89.75 Crore during the last five years and the current financial year i.e. 2019-20 to 2024-25 (as on 05.03.2025). In the current financial year, an amount of Rs. 19.50 crore has been sanctioned to the State. Out of which, the State has incurred an expenditure of Rs. 1.03 crore so far. The State of Andhra Pradesh has identified 13 districts as focus districts. All the proposals submitted by the State under various components of PM-USHA were placed before the PAB for consideration and approval. There is no such proposal pending with the Ministry of Education.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1788 ANSWERED ON 10.03.2025 ASKED BY SHRI APPALANAIDU KALISETTI, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING RASHTRIYA UCHCHATAR SHIKSHA ABHIYAN (RUSA) IN ANDHRA PRADESH.

Details of school enrolment, dropout rate, GER and literacy rate of Andhra Pradesh

1. District-wise Enrolment of Andhra Pradesh

District	Enrolment (Pre-Primary to Class 12)
ANAKAPALLI	264828
ANANTAPUR	442869
ANNAMAYYA	296761
ASR	196040
BAPATLA	211903
CHITTOOR	290941
EAST GODAVARI	322998
ELURU	330731
GUNTUR	389290
KADAPA	367129
KAKINADA	368895
KONASEEMA	251361
KRISHNA	287313
KURNOOL	550383
MANYAM	143179
NANDYAL	353422
NELLORE	416186
NTR	409505
PALNADU	355568
PRAKASAM	392480
SRI SATYASAI	282768
SRIKAKULAM	350094
TIRUPATI	401202
VISAKHAPATNAM	473736
VIZIANAGARAM	295323
WEST GODAVARI	296980

Source- UDISE+ 2023-24

2. District -wise Dropout rate of Andhra Pradesh

District	Dropout Rate		
	Primary	Upper Primary	Secondary
ANAKAPALLI	1.5	2.2	22.4
ANANTAPUR	1.0	2.0	15.1
ANNAMAYYA	0.1	2.2	21.0
ASR	2.0	3.5	20.7

BAPATLA	2.8	3.9	25.6
CHITTOOR	2.7	2.6	19.6
EAST GODAVARI	0.0	0.0	6.8
ELURU	1.4	2.9	18.3
GUNTUR	0.0	0.0	2.1
KADAPA	0.7	3.5	19.6
KAKINADA	0.5	1.9	16.1
KONASEEMA	1.2	2.2	17.1
KRISHNA	0.0	0.0	0.7
KURNOOL	0.0	0.0	8.8
MANYAM	0.8	1.8	15.4
NANDYAL	0.0	0.0	7.7
NELLORE	0.2	1.2	5.0
NTR	0.0	1.4	0.0
PALNADU	0.5	1.6	20.7
PRAKASAM	1.0	3.1	20.4
SRI SATYASAI	1.2	3.3	27.1
SRIKAKULAM	0.2	1.4	19.4
TIRUPATI	0.0	0.9	2.3
VISAKHAPATNAM	0.0	0.0	0.0
VIZIANAGARAM	0.0	1.5	14.2
WEST GODAVARI	0.0	0.7	6.9

Source- UDISE+ 2023-24

3. GER of Andhra Pradesh and India.

GER	Secondary (9-10)			Higher Secondary (11-12)		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Andhra Pradesh	96.9	94.8	95.9	62.9	67.9	65.4
India	76.8	78	77.4	54.4	58.2	56.2

Source- UDISE+ 2023-24

4. Literacy Rate of Andhra Pradesh and India.

Literacy rate	Male	Female	Person
Andhra Pradesh	78.8	66.8	72.6
India	87.2	74.6	80.9

Source- PLFS 2023-24(NSS, MoSPI)