

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PLANNING

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2073**  
TO BE ANSWERED 12.03.2025

**ATAL TINKERING LABS**

2073. SHRI S JAGATHRATCHAKAN:

Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs) established across the country along with a breakdown of their distribution between Government and private schools;
- (b) whether the Government has assessed the availability of trained instructors and mentors in ATLs and if so, the findings of such assessments;
- (c) the measures taken to address the disparities in ATL distribution to ensure equitable access for students from all socio-economic backgrounds; and
- (d) whether any evaluations have been conducted regarding the utilization rates of equipment and resources in ATLs and if so, the details of steps taken or proposed to be taken to enhance their effective use?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION; MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE

**(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)**

- (a) Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog has established a total of 10,000 Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs) across the country, out of which 5,945 ATLs have been established in Government schools (60%), while 4,055 have been established in Private schools (40%).
- (b) No Sir.
- (c) AIM has taken measures to ensure equitable access to ATLs for students from all socio-economic backgrounds. Out of 10,000 ATLs established by AIM, 5,692 (56.92%) ATLs have been established in rural areas. Further, 1022 (10.22%) ATLs have been established in Aspirational districts.

(d) Yes Sir, AIM has conducted a third-party assessment study of ATLS. In order to enhance the effective use of equipment and resources, AIM publishes an annual ATL calendar of activities, ATL curriculum & ATL Equipment Manual.

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