

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 2595
ANSWERED ON – 17/03/2025**

Schools Selected in Odisha under PM SHRI Scheme

2595. Shri Pradeep Purohit:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of schools selected under the PM School for Rising India (PM SHRI) scheme in Jharsuguda and Bargarh districts of Odisha, along with their names and locations;
- (b) the total financial assistance allocated to these schools, the year-wise disbursement plan for their development and infrastructure improvement;
- (c) the eligibility criteria and procedure for inclusion of more schools under the PM SHRI Scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has proposed for inclusion of more schools from Jharsuguda and Bargarh districts of Odisha under the Scheme;
- (e) whether the Government has conducted any assessment of the implementation of the PM SHRI Scheme in these districts; and
- (f) the measures being taken by the Government to ensure quality education and infrastructure development in the selected schools?

ANSWER

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

(a): Under PM SHRI scheme, a total of 8 PM SHRI schools have been selected in the Jharsuguda district and a total of 16 PM SHRI schools have been selected in the Bargarh district of Odisha. The details of PM SHRI schools selected in Bargarh and Jharsuguda districts of Odisha are attached as **Annexure I**.

(b): States/UTs submit proposal by identifying infrastructural gaps such as ICT Labs, science labs, lab equipment, digital libraries, Classroom Digital Boards, Smart Classrooms, LED lighting, composting facilities etc. The component wise proposal submitted by the States/UTs are appraised and sanctioned by the Project Approval Board (PAB) in consultation with the States/UTs according to financial and programmatic norms and provision available.

An amount of Rs. 704.50 lakh has been allocated for Jharsuguda district and an amount of Rs. 1413.69 lakh has been allocated for PMSHRI schools of Bargarh district in FY 2024-25.

(c) & (d): Selection of PM SHRI schools is through Challenge Mode wherein Schools compete for support to become exemplar schools. Selection is done through a three-stage process with definite time lines, which is as follows: -

Stage-1: States/UTs sign an MoU with Centre laying down the commitments for supporting these schools for achieving specified quality assurance as PM SHRI schools.

Stage-2: In this stage, a pool of schools that are eligible to be selected as PM SHRI Schools are identified based on prescribed minimum benchmark through UDISE+ data.

These benchmarks are automatically populated from UDISE+ portal based on the latest data. The minimum benchmarks that the school fulfils are as follows:

- i. The school should have its own pucca building in good condition.
- ii. Barrier free access -Ramp.
- iii. The school must be safety oriented.
- iv. The enrolment of students at Elementary (Class 1-5/1-8) level and Senior Secondary (Class 6-12/ 6-10/ 1-10/ 1-12) level must be more than the state average enrolment, for the category.
- v. The school should have at least one separate toilet each for boys & girls.
- vi. The school must have potable drinking water facility.
- vii. The school must have separate hand washing facility.
- viii. All teachers should have Photo ID Card as per extant guidelines.
- ix. Electricity supply should be in working condition.
- x. School should have Library/library corner facilities and Sports equipment.

Stage-3: This stage is based on the challenge method for fulfilling certain criteria. Schools in urban areas need to score a minimum of 70%, whereas schools in rural areas need to score a minimum of 60% to be selected as PM SHRI Schools. Fulfilment of conditions has to be certified by States/UTs through physical inspection.

States/UTs are required to recommend the list of schools to the Department of School Education & Literacy (DoSE&L), Ministry of Education after district verification and an Expert committee headed by Secretary (DoSE&L), at DoSE&L, has been constituted to make the final school selection through challenge method.

(e): For assessment of PM SHRI schools, a School Quality Assessment Framework (SQAF) has been developed as per the recommendations of National Education Policy (NEP), 2020, indicating the level of proficiency to be achieved by each PM SHRI school.

SQAF is divided into six main domains, based on the six pillars of the PM SHRI Scheme, aligned with NEP 2020: Curriculum, Pedagogy, and Assessment; Access and Infrastructure; Human Resources and School Leadership; Inclusive Practices and Gender Equity; Management, Monitoring, and Governance and Beneficiary Satisfaction.

(f): PM SHRI Scheme aims to showcase all the components of the National Education Policy 2020 and focuses not only on cognitive development, but also creating holistic and well-rounded individuals equipped with key 21st century skills. The scheme focuses on creating an equitable, inclusive, and joyful learning environment that caters to diverse backgrounds, multilingual needs, and varied academic abilities. These schools are designed to engage students actively in their learning process, ensuring that every child feels welcomed, cared for, and supported in a safe and stimulating environment.

Further, PM SHRI scheme has a provision to equip PM SHRI schools with science labs, ICT- enabled smart classrooms, library, furniture and playground. Further, digital learning tools like smart boards supports modern, technology-driven education. Efforts like the introduction of LED lighting, composting facilities, and medicinal gardens create eco-friendly “green schools”.

Annexure I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2595 ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025 ASKED BY SHRI PRADEEP PUROHIT, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "SCHOOLS SELECTED IN ODISHA UNDER PM SHRI SCHEME"

The details of PM SHRI schools selected in Jharsuguda district of Odisha is as follows:

| Sl. No. | Block Name | UDISE Code | School Name |
|----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|---|
| 1 | JHARSUGUDA | 21020107001 | BAPUJI GOVT. HIGH SCHOOL, SRIPURA |
| 2 | KIRMIRA | 21020203103 | GOVT. HIGH SCHOOL, KIRMIRA |
| 3 | KOLABIRA | 21020303604 | GOVERNMENT UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOL RAGHUNATHPALI |
| 4 | LAIKERA | 21020402401 | K.B.J. GOVT. NODAL HIGH SCHOOL, LAIKERA |
| 5 | LAKHANPUR | 21020506201 | GOVT. UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOL BANJIPALI |
| 6 | BELPAHAR-MUNICIPALITY | 21020600505 | GIRIDHARILAL GOVT HIGH SCHOOL, BELPAHAR |
| 7 | BRAJARAJNAGAR-MUNICIPALITY | 21020701501 | OPM GOVT GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL |
| 8 | JHARSUGUDA-MUNICIPALITY | 21020801507 | PURUNABASTI GOVT HIGH SCHOOL, JHARSUGUDA |

The details of PM SHRI schools selected in Bargarh district of Odisha is as follows:

| Sl. No. | Block Name | UDISE Code | School Name |
|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1 | AMBABHONA | 21010100102 | KEDARNATH ADIVASI HIGH SCHOOL, AMBABHONA |
| 2 | ATTABIRA | 21010201104 | JANATA NODAL HIGH SCHOOL, GODBHAGA |
| 3 | ATTABIRA-NOTIFIED AREA COUNCIL | 21010205002 | LADERPALI SEV. |

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| 4 | BARGARH | 21010303401 | CEMENT NAGAR H.S. |
| 5 | BARPALI | 21010402602 | GOVT.HIGH SCHOOL, KANBAR |
| 6 | BHATLI | 21010500601 | MURUMKEL H.S |
| 7 | BHEDEN | 21010607306 | REMUNDA H.S |
| 8 | BIJEPUR | 21010706101 | GOVT NODAL HIGH SCHOOL , LAUMUNDA |
| 9 | GAISILET | 21010803601 | BUDDHADEB GOVT HIGH SCHOOL, GANIAPALI |
| 10 | JHARBANDH | 21010908502 | GOVT. UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOL, NILJIPATRA |
| 11 | PAIKMAL | 21011009902 | GOVT. HIGH SCHOOL, MANDOSIL |
| 12 | PADAMPUR | 21011101904 | P.K.A. GOVT. HIGH SCHOOL, KHAIRPALI |
| 13 | SOHELLA | 21011210504 | GOVT. GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL, SOHELLA |
| 14 | BARGARH- MUNICIPALITY | 21011301201 | GOVT.GIRLS H.S., BARGARH MPL |
| 15 | PADMAPUR-NOTIFIED AREA COUNCIL | 21011500101 | GIRLS H.S PADAMPUR |
| 16 | BARPALI | 21010402801 | B.D.NODAL HIGH SCHOOL, KATAPALI |
