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

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2674 ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025

KVs AND PM SHRI SCHOOL IN TAMIL NADU

2674. THIRU DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and PM School for Rising India (PM SHRI) Schools that are currently functioning in the country along with the fund allocated and disbursed for the operation of these KVs and PM SHRI schools during the last five years, State-wise including Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the total number of teachers available for Tamil, Hindi and Sanskrit languages in the PM SHRI KVs operational in Tamil Nadu, school-wise along with the funds allocated for each school's language departments; and
- (c) the manner by which the Government ensure a balanced representation of teachers for different languages keeping in view the linguistic diversity across the country, especially in Tamil Nadu, where regional languages such as Tamil are the primary medium of communication and instruction?

ANSWER

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

(a) At present, 1253 Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) including 45 KVs in the State of Tamil Nadu are functioning across the country. The Government of India allocates funds to Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) under the heads Grant-in-Aid- "Salaries", Grant-in-Aid-General" and Grant for Creation of Capital Assets. The Government of India does not allocate funds to KVS State/UT/District/KV wise. The funds allocated/released to KVS for opening and functioning of KVs during the last five years are as under:

Year	Funds allocated / released (Rs. in Cr.)				
2019-20	6331.40				
2020-21	6437.68				
2021-22	6800.00				
2022-23	7461.25				
2023-24	8500.00				

The scheme called PM SHRI was launched on 07.09.2022. These schools showcase the implementation of the National Education Policy-2020 and are its exemplar schools. They also offer leadership to other schools in the neighborhood. Under this Programme, there is provision of setting up of more than 14,500 PM SHRI Schools by strengthening the existing schools from amongst schools managed by Central government/State/UT Government/local bodies.

At present, a total of 12,505 schools including 884 KVs have been selected as PM SHRI schools across the country up to 6th phase of selection. The State-wise details of funds allocated and disbursed for PM SHRI Scheme for Financial Year (FY) 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 are annexed.

- (b) There are 34 Tamil Language Teachers, 69 Hindi Language Teachers, and 50 Sanskrit Language Teachers across 34 PM SHRI KVs in Tamil Nadu. Tamil teachers are appointed on a contractual basis, as the sanctioned language teacher posts in KVS are for Hindi, English, and Sanskrit as KVs are 'specified category' schools, mandated to provide uniform education to the wards of Central Government employees across the country. No separate funds are allocated for any specific language.
- (c) KVs primarily cater to students who are the wards of transferable Central Government employees who come from diverse linguistic backgrounds. Therefore, the medium of communication and instruction in KVs is Hindi and English. However, the Article 112 of the Education Code of KVS has provisions for teaching regional languages which provides for additional arrangement for teaching of the regional language/ mother tongue, provided 15 or more students are willing to opt for the same. For this, part-time contractual teacher are appointed after obtaining sanction from the concerned Deputy Commissioner of KVS.

Additionally, as approved by Board of Governors (BoG) of KVS, all KVs have been directed to engage local/regional language teachers on contractual basis on a need-based requirement to support children at the Foundational and Preparatory stages, especially when they face difficulties in understanding concepts taught in Hindi or English.

As per information received from KVS, Tamil is taught through the Tamil Virtual Academy (TVA), an autonomous organization under the Tamil Nadu State Government, in 21 out of 45 KVs of Tamil Nadu. In the remaining 24 KVs, contractual teachers are hired for teaching Tamil.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2674 RAISED BY SHRI THIRU DAYANIDHI MARAN, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT ANSWERED ON 17.03.2025 REGARDING "KVs AND PM SHRI SCHOOL IN TAMIL NADU".

State/UT-wise details of funds allocated and disbursed for PM SHRI Schools for Financial Year 2023-24 and FY 2024-25

(Rs. in crores)

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SI. No.	States/UTs/ KVs/NVs	Funds approved in FY 2023-24	Central Share in FY 2023-24	Funds Released in FY 2023-24	Funds approved in FY 2024-25	Central Share in FY 2024-25	Funds released in FY 2024-25*	
1.	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	6.25	6.25	1.56	5.27	5.27	2.83	
2.	ANDHRA PRADESH	354.86	212.91	106.46	701.65	420.99	176.76	
3.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	18.73	16.857	4.21	49.55	44.595	21.6	
4.	ASSAM	127.47	114.723	57.36	296.28	266.65	84.16	
5.	CHANDIGARH	0.73	0.73	0.64	1.77	1.77	0.8	
6.	CHHATTISGARH	65.8	39.48	19.73	180.7	108.42	37.35	
7.	DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	2.6	2.6	0.65	1.5	1.5	0.51	
8.	GOA	6.19	3.714	3.25	15.24	9.144	3.08	
9.	GUJARAT	109.79	65.874	32.95	145.84	87.504	36.15	
10.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	-	-	-	150.39	135.351	67.67	
11.	HARYANA	85.27	51.162	25.59	199.01	119.40	56.09	
12.	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	116.44	104.796	52.39	246.73	222.05	99.72	
13.	JHARKHAND	-	-	-	258.72	155.23	38.80	
14.	KARNATAKA	50.3	30.18	26.4	248.42	150.85	31.4	
15.	LADAKH	8.09	8.09	4.04	23.86	23.86	5.24	
16.	LAKSHADWEEP	4.36	4.36	1.09	4.12	4.12	0	
17.	MADHYA PRADESH	219.99	131.994	44.52	329.09	197.45	103.14	
18.	MAHARASHTRA	211.35	126.81	63.42	504.63	302.778	71.00	
19.	MANIPUR	39.19	35.271	17.63	81.79	73.611	20.46	
20.	MEGHALAYA	9.55	8.595	4.29	30.94	27.846	12.44	
21.	MIZORAM	9.12	8.208	4.12	11.27	10.143	2.34	
22.	NAGALAND	4.34	3.906	0.97	23.38	21.042	0	
23.	ODISHA	-	-	-	435.03	261.018	65.25	
24.	PUDUCHERRY	3.92	2.352	2.05	10.61	6.366	2.99	
25.	PUNJAB	-	-	-	209.46	125.676	62.83	
26.	RAJASTHAN	163.95	98.37	24.6	366.76	220.056	59.37	
27.	SIKKIM	22.62	20.358	10.18	28.08	25.272	15.10	
28.	TELANGANA	398.69	239.214	59.82	447.64	268.584	147.97	
29.	TRIPURA	26.24	23.616	11.8	46.2	41.58	19.21	
30.	UTTARAKHAND	72.91	65.619	57.41	124.19	111.771	31.85	
31.	UTTAR PRADESH	404.98	242.988	121.49	513.36	308.016	146.19	
32.	KVS	590.71	590.71	295.35	668.78	668.78	542.69	
33.	NVS	260.73	260.73	162.74	567.23	567.23	441.03	
	TOTAL	3395.16	2520.47	1216.7	6927.49	4993.9	2406.02	

^{*}As on 11.03.2025

The state of Tamil Nadu is yet to onboard the PM SHRI scheme.
