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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO – 160

ANSWERED ON 21/07/2025

Re-enrolment of the School-age Children

160. Shri P V Midhun Reddy:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any targeted interventions have been planned to re-enroll the 46,138 school-age children in Andhra Pradesh who remain out of school as per recent reports;
- (b) whether the Government has evaluated the role of emerging technologies—such as AI-based platforms—in enabling early identification of potential dropouts, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of funds allocated under Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan for dropout mitigation, district-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a): Children above six years of age, who have not been admitted in any school or though admitted could not complete their elementary education, are identified as Out of School Children (OoSC), to enrol them to age-appropriate class of regular schools. To ensure that such OoSC admitted to regular schools are integrated into the school system, special training is provided in the form residential or non-residential courses, as needed. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Samagra Shiksha', financial assistance, upto Rs.6000 per child per year for non-residential training and upto Rs. 20000 per child per year for residential training, is provided to States / UTs. At Secondary level, for OoSC in 16-19 years age group and belonging to Socially &

Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDG), financial assistance is available to continue education through Open/Distance Learning mode, if it is not possible to mainstream them into formal school. Financial assistance upto Rs. 2000/- per child per grade per annum is provided for completing education through the Open School System at Secondary/ Senior Secondary stage for registration, accessing course material and certification.

The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has identified 47,543 OoSC for the 2025-26 Academic Year. Out of these 47543 OoSC, 8882 children have been enrolled into regular schools / hostels, 2833 children have been identified for non-residential special training, 11842 children have been identified for residential special training, and 23986 children have been identified for the provision of course material and certification under the Open School system.

- (b): Technology based initiatives have been taken up to monitor and improve student retention. As per information received from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, a data driven, multi-departmental approach has been adopted to ensure that all children aged 5-18 are enrolled and retained in the education system. Through API based integration, data from various departments is analyzed to accurately identify Out of School Children. For instance, integration of data from Anganwadi centres helps in identifying children who are never enrolled, especially in early age groups. Field level functionaries use real-time dashboards for follow-up and need based interventions.
- (c): As per information received from the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, District-wise details of funds allocated under Samagra Shiksha, for Out of School Children, are given in **Annexure-I**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 160 ANSWERED ON 21.07.2025 REGARDING RE-ENROLMENT OF THE SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN

District-wise details of funds allocated under Samagra Shiksha for OoSC

Name of the	Direct	Non- Residential Training		Residential Training		Open schooling system	
District	Enrolment						
	(Number of Children)	Number of Children	Funds Allocation in Lakh Rupees	Number of Children	Funds Allocation in Lakh Rupees	Number of Children	Funds Allocation in Lakh Rupees
Anakapalli	115	98	3.12	100	10.00	505	10.10
Anantapur	289	118	1.77	51	2.55	1265	25.30
Annamayya	540	0	0.00	0	0.00	808	16.16
ASR	1501	1370	61.65	0	0.00	863	17.26
Bapatla	294	10	0.15	0	0.00	670	13.40
Chittoor	156	32	0.48	0	0.00	980	19.60
East Godavari	411	0	0.00	0	0.00	1610	32.20
Eluru	125	0	0.00	0	0.00	252	5.04
Guntur	456	13	0.20	1400	140.00	691	13.82
Kadapa	649	0	0.00	0	0.00	2677	53.54
Kakinada	197	153	4.59	445	44.50	1831	36.62
Konaseema	99	0	0.00	0	0.00	1588	31.76
Krishna	152	89	2.67	2150	215.00	826	16.52
Kurnool	287	422	12.66	4003	400.30	831	16.62
PVP Manyam	153	2	0.06	1	0.10	190	3.80
Nandyal	219	20	0.30	100	5.00	390	7.80
SPSR Nellore	343	360	10.80	1120	112.00	1248	24.96
NTR	92	0	0.00	1866	186.60	923	18.46
Palnadu	314	0	0.00	262	13.10	985	19.70
Prakasam	205	0	0.00	344	34.40	1698	33.96
Sri Satyasai	79	29	0.44	0	0.00	537	10.74
Srikakulam	458	26	0.78	0	0.00	320	6.40
Tirupathi	145	85	1.50	0	0.00	982	19.64
Visakhapatnam	1107	0	0.00	0	0.00	353	7.06
Vizianagaram	324	6	0.21	0	0.00	485	9.70
West Godavari	172	0	0.00	0	0.00	478	9.56
Total	8882	2833	101.37	11842	1163.55	23986	479.72
