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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No - 2395

ANSWERED ON - 04/08/2025

Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) currently functioning in the country, particularly in Maharashtra, district-wise;
- (b) the total number of teaching and non-teaching staff appointed in these KGBVs;
- (c) whether there is a shortfall of teachers in the KGBVs especially in Maharashtra, and if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government to fill the vacancies;
- (d) whether the Government is providing residential educational facilities under KGBV scheme for girl students belonging to SCs/STs/OBCs/Minority Communities and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of criteria adopted for selection of students and allocation of seats among the different disadvantaged groups;
- (f) whether there is any provision to accommodate out-of-school girls and dropouts under the scheme, especially in tribal areas in the country especially in Maharashtra;
- (g) whether the Government proposes more KGBVs in the country especially in Maharashtra; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a): Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs), residential schools from class VI to XII for girls belonging to Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) such as SC, ST, OBC, are a part of centrally sponsored scheme of Samagra Shiksha. As on 30.07.2025, a total of 5,138 KGBVs are functional in the country, including 83 KGBVs in Maharashtra. The district-wise list of functional KGBVs in Maharashtra is at Annexure-I.
- (b) & (c): Education is in the Concurrent List of the Constitution and KGBVs are under the administrative control of respective State Governments and UT administrations. The matters related to operationalization and functioning of KGBVs including the recruitment, and deployment of teaching and non-teaching staff of KGBVs, come under the purview of concerned State/UT Governments.

Teaching and non-teaching staff of KGBVs are recruited by States/UTs, as per the terms and conditions of the respective States and UTs for KGBVs. The recruitment of teachers is a continuous process. The Central Government, through Samagra Shiksha, provides assistance to the States and UTs for deployment of teachers in KGBVs to maintain appropriate Pupil Teacher Ratio as per the prescribed norms for various levels of schooling.

(d) to (f): KGBVs provide educational facilities such as ICT labs, library, vocational education, etc along with the basic residential facilities like food, lodging, drinking water & sanitation, medical care, etc for girls in the age group of 10-18 years. In view of the targeted nature of the scheme, girls from SEDGs such as SC, ST, OBC, etc are accorded priority for enrolment in these residential schools. Further, States/UTs also conduct special enrolment drives, awareness campaigns, community involvement, extra-curricular activities to retain girls in KGBVs.

(g) & (h): KGBVs are set up in those identified Educationally Backward Blocks where, as per census data of 2001, the rural female literacy is below the national average and which does not have residential schools under any other scheme of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Tribal Affairs or the State Government. The State/UT has to submit proposals for sanctioning new KGBV in the Annual Work Plan under Samagra Shiksha, which is then scrutinized and approved by the Project Approval Board.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2395 TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025 ASKED BY SHRI BHASKAR MURLIDHAR BHAGARE, DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE, SHRI MOHITE PATIL DHAIRYASHEEL RAJSINH, PROF. VARSHA EKNATH GAIKWAD, SMT. SUPRIYA SULE, HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "KASTURBA GANDHI BALIKA VIDYALAYAS".

District-wise list of functional KGBVs in Maharashtra

S. No.	District	No. of functional KGBVs
1	Beed	6
2	Gadchiroli	10
3	Jalna	14
4	Hingoli	1
5	Kolhapur	2
6	Nashik	8
7	Nandurbar	10
8	Nanded	8
9	Palghar	10
10	Parbhani	14
	Total	83

(Source: Inputs received from the State)