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

LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO – 114

ANSWERED ON 08/12/2025

Student-Teacher Ratio in Primary and Upper Primary Schools

†*114. Shri Rajkumar Roat:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that according to the new education policy schools should not have more than 10 per cent of teacher posts vacant and with a provision for one teacher for every 30 students in primary schools and one teacher for every 35 students in upper primary schools in the country, if so, the number of schools operating in the country in accordance with the said provisions, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the number of schools in the Banswara Lok Sabha Constituency fulfilling the said criteria along with the details of the approved, sanctioned and vacant posts of teachers in all the schools in Dungarpur and Banswara district:
- (c) the details of the student-teacher ratio in each of the said schools, district/block-wise along with the name of the schools;
- (d) the details of schools in the Banswara Lok Sabha Constituency not complying with the provisions of the New Education Policy along with the number of schools which lack buildings and toilets in the said Constituency; and
- (e) whether the Government has any plan to issue special package for schools not complying with the new education policy, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF EDUCATION

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) TO (E) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 114 ANSWERED ON 08/12/2025 ASKED BY HONB'LE MP SHRI RAJKUMAR ROAT REGARDING 'STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN PRIMARY AND UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOLS'

(a) to (e): Education is in the concurrent list of the Constitution and most of the schools are under the jurisdiction of concerned States and UTs. The major responsibility of implementation of NEP 2020 following prescribed norms and standards falls under the domain of the States and UTs. NEP 2020 recommends a pupil-teacher ratio (PTR) of under 30:1 at the level of each school and under 25:1 in the areas having large numbers of socio-economically disadvantaged students.

As per UDISE+ (Unified District Information System for Education Plus), number of schools, enrolment and teacher at primary and Upper Primary level of education for States/UTs and Banswara and Dungarpur districts of Rajasthan for the year 2024-25 are available at https://www.education.gov.in/en/parl_ques.

As per UDISE+ 2024-25, State/UT wise Pupil Teacher Ratio (PTR) for Primary and Upper Primary level of education are available at https://www.education.gov.in/en/parl_ques.

As per UDISE+ 2024-25, percentage of schools having buildings, girl's toilets, and boy's toilets in Banswara district are available at https://www.education.gov.in/en/parl_ques.

The Department of School Education and Literacy is implementing an integrated Centrally Sponsored Scheme for School Education- Samagra Shiksha from 2018-19. The scheme has been revamped/ redesigned and aligned with the recommendations of the National Education Policy, 2020. As per norms of the Samagra Shiksha, the annual plans are prepared by the States and UTs as per their requirements/ priority and the same is reflected in their respective Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) Proposals. These plans are then appraised and approved by the Project Approval Board (PAB) in the Department of School Education & Literacy in consultation with the States and UTs as per the programmatic and financial norms of the scheme and physical and financial progress of the State for the interventions approved earlier.

PM SHRI Scheme has also been launched with an aim to develop more than 14,500 selected schools as exemplar schools that offer leadership to other schools in the neighbourhood, showcasing all the initiatives of NEP 2020.
