

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO - 14
ANSWERED ON – 01/12/2025**

Provision for withdrawal of MoU under PM SHRI Scheme

*14. Shri M. K. Raghavan:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has allocated funds to State Government of Kerala under the PM-SHRI Scheme, if so, the details of the funds sanctioned, released, and utilized;
- (b) whether the State Governments have the right to withdraw from the MoU signed with the Union Government under the PM-SHRI scheme; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof, including the guidelines and timeframe stipulated for such withdrawal procedure?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (c) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 14 ANSWERED ON 01.12.2025 ASKED BY SHRI M. K. RAGHAVAN, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "PROVISION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF MOU UNDER PM SHRI SCHEME"

(a) to (c): Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) is a Centrally Sponsored Scheme in which PM SHRI schools are set up by strengthening the existing schools from amongst schools managed by Central Government/State/UT Government/local bodies. These schools are to showcase all the initiatives of National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, emerge as exemplar schools over a period of time, and also offer leadership to other schools in the neighbourhood.

Under the PM SHRI scheme, States/UTs sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Centre, laying down the commitments for supporting these schools for achieving specified quality assurance as PM SHRI schools. Thereafter, the selection of PM SHRI schools is done through the Challenge Mode, wherein schools compete for support to become exemplar schools.

The State of Kerala has signed the MoU on 23rd October 2025, which is to be followed by transparent challenge Mode for the selection of PM SHRI schools. Subsequently, State of Kerala has been requested to upload information of schools on PM SHRI portal.
