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

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2394 ANSWERED ON 15.12.2025

Status of 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) sanctioned/approved, operational and under construction since 2019 till date, year-wise and State/UT including Punjab, Rajasthan particularly in Karauli-Dholpur district;
- (b) the details of total enrolment, dropout and retention rates of girls in KGBVs during the same period, State/UT and year-wise;
- (c) the details of the enrolment of Scheduled Caste (SC), Scheduled Tribe (ST) Other Backward Classes (OBC) and Below Poverty Line (BPL) students in KGBVs across the country State/UT, year-wise and category-wise;
- (d) the extent of enrolment of girls belonging to SC, ST, OBC and BPL category in KGBVs in Karauli-Dholpur district;
- (e) whether the Government has identified any deficiencies in these schools and if so, the corrective measures being taken in this regard;
- (f) the details of the coverage and implementation of the KGBV scheme since its merger with the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyaan to include classes 6 to 12;
- (g) the details of average teacher-student ratio maintained in KGBVs in the country since 2019, State/UT-wise; and
- (h) whether any proposal is pending for setting up KGBVs in the tribal dominated district of Dausa in the State of Rajasthan, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (h): The Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) are residential schools for girls belonging to Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) such as Schedule Tribe, Schedule Caste, Other Backward Class, Economically Weaker Section of the society in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs). The objective of the scheme is to ensure access to quality education for girls from SEDGs and reduce the gender gap at the elementary to senior secondary level by setting up residential schools with boarding facilities.

The KGBV Scheme was launched in 2004-05 for Classes VI-VIII to provide residential education for girls from ST, SC, OBC, Minority, and BPL communities. It was merged with the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) with effect from April 1, 2007. Another scheme, titled "Construction of Girls' Hostel in Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools" for Class IX-XII girls, was launched in 2009-10 and merged with Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) in 2014.

In 2018-19, the KGBV component of SSA and the Girls' Hostel component of RMSA were merged under Samagra Shiksha as KGBVs, bringing all hostels under a single framework. Samagra Shiksha envisaged upgrading all KGBVs up to Class XII. To streamline the existing and upgraded KGBVs, these were categorised into four types, which are at present functional forms:-

| Type I | VI to VIII | School+Hostel/ Only Hostel |
|----------|------------|----------------------------|
| Type II | VI-X | School+Hostel/ Only Hostel |
| Type III | VI-XII | School+Hostel/ Only Hostel |
| Type IV | IX-XII | Only Hostel |

In order to improve the working of KGBVs and remove the deficiencies, various measures have been taken like upgradation of all KGBVs upto Grade XII. Further, a structured training programme is organized for KGBV wardens in collaboration with the National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration (NIEPA). This initiative aims to strengthen the wardens' capacity to manage resources effectively and enhance their institutional and administrative skills, thereby fostering a safe and supportive environment that promotes and improves quality education for girls.

Samagra Shiksha supports creation of infrastructure and other basic facilities such in Government Schools. In this regard, Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) is prepared by the States and UTs based on their requirements. These plans are then appraised/approved by PAB in consultation with the States and UTs as per the programmatic and financial norms of the Scheme and availability of budgetary resources. The States/UTs Government are regularly urged to address the deficiencies.

State-wise/UT-wise details of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) approved and functional as on 05.12.2025 including States of Punjab and Rajasthan are at **Annexure-I**.

As per information received from the State Government of Rajasthan, there are total 4 KGBVs operational in Dholpur District, 6 KGBVs operational in Karauli District, 8 KGBVs operational in Dausa District and no proposal is pending for setting up of KGBVs in Dausa district

The details of total enrollment of girls in KGBVs during the last five years is as follows:-

| Sl. No. | Year | Total no. of girls enrolled |
|---------|---------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 2020-21 | 6,07,771 |
| 2 | 2021-22 | 6,50,690 |
| 3 | 2022-23 | 6,69,070 |
| 4 | 2023-24 | 6,91,304 |
| 5 | 2024-25 | 7,11,505 |

The details of overall dropout, and retention rates of girls in Government schools including KGBV as per UDISE+ are as follows:-

| | Year | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Drop-Out Rate | Middle (VI-VIII) | 8.3 | 5.3 | 2.9 |
| | Secondary (IX-XII) | 12.6 | 9.4 | 6.6 |
| Retention Rate | Middle (VI-VIII) | 76.4 | 78.9 | 84.2 |
| Retention Rate | Secondary (IX-XII) | 45.1 | 47.5 | 49.6 |
| Source: UDISE+ | | | | |

State-wise/UT-wise details of category-wise break-up of enrolment of girls in KGBVs as on 05.12.2025 are at **Annexure-II.**

As per information received from State Government of Rajasthan, category-wise break-up of enrolment of girls in KGBVs in Karauli and Dholpur district are as follows:-

| S. No. | Districts | SC | ST | ОВС | Others | Total |
|--------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|--------|-------|
| 1 | Karauli | 335 | 252 | 167 | 4 | 758 |
| 2 | Dholpur | 237 | 337 | 276 | 4 | 854 |

Based on the information submitted by the States/UTs for the period 2020–21 to 2024–25, the Teacher-Student Ratio data is at **Annexure-III.**

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State-wise/UT-wise details of Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) approved and functional as on 05.12.2025:-

| S. No. | Name of State/UT | Total KGBVs Approved (since inception including last 5 years) | Total KGBVs Functional (as on 05.12.2025) | |
|---------|-------------------|---|---|--|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 587 | 499 | |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 82 | 78 | |
| 3 | Assam | 162 | 151 | |
| 4 | Bihar | 727 | 683 | |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 121 | 121 | |
| 6 | DNH & DD | 2 | 2 | |
| 7 | Gujarat | 170 | 168 | |
| 8 | Haryana | 72 | 65 | |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 14 | 14 | |
| 10 | Jammu and Kashmir | 176 | 94 | |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 203 | 203 | |
| 12 | Karnataka | 146 | 145 | |
| 13 | Kerala | 1 | 1 | |
| 14 | Ladakh | 20 | 15 | |
| 15 | Madhya Pradesh | 408 | 408 | |
| 16 | Maharashtra | 86 | 85 | |
| 17 | Manipur | 12 | 12 | |
| 18 | Meghalaya | 19 | 10 | |
| 19 | Mizoram | 2 | 2 | |
| 20 | Nagaland | 22 | 22 | |
| 21 | Odisha | 355 | 324 | |
| 22 | Punjab | 29 | 29 | |
| 23 | Rajasthan | 316 | 316 | |
| 24 | Sikkim | 1 | 1 | |
| 25 | Tamil Nadu | 105 | 105 | |
| 26 | Telangana | 736 | 721 | |
| 27 | Tripura | 15 | 15 | |
| 28 | Uttar Pradesh | 841 | 783 | |
| 29 | Uttarakhand | 40 | 39 | |
| 30 | West Bengal | 169 | 158 | |
| | Total | 5639 | 5269 | |
| Source: | Prabandh | | | |

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State-wise/UT-wise details of category-wise break-up of enrolment of girls in KGBVs as on 05.12.2025:-

| | | Category wise enrolment | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|
| S. No. | Name of State/UT | SC | ST | OBC | Others | Total | |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 29825 | 12529 | 52036 | 9343 | 103733 | |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 0 | 8993 | 0 | 0 | 8993 | |
| 3 | Assam | 985 | 7846 | 4229 | 8107 | 21167 | |
| 4 | Bihar | 32344 | 6336 | 22152 | 4606 | 65438 | |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | 2289 | 12637 | 3427 | 18533 | 36886 | |
| 6 | DNH & DD | 0 | 148 | 0 | 0 | 148 | |
| 7 | Gujarat | 1928 | 4791 | 7594 | 5226 | 19539 | |
| 8 | Haryana | 837 | 0 | 445 | 576 | 1858 | |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 355 | 142 | 12 | 399 | 908 | |
| 10 | Jammu and Kashmir | 376 | 2020 | 626 | 5510 | 8532 | |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 10394 | 27810 | 21509 | 11337 | 71050 | |
| 12 | Karnataka | 4390 | 2178 | 4053 | 3843 | 14464 | |
| 13 | Kerala | 6 | 28 | 8 | 38 | 80 | |
| 14 | Ladakh | 0 | 428 | 0 | 106 | 534 | |
| 15 | Madhya Pradesh | 11518 | 15702 | 10421 | 19630 | 57271 | |
| 16 | Maharashtra | 1369 | 3289 | 2024 | 1309 | 7991 | |
| 17 | Manipur | 112 | 1269 | 535 | 211 | 2127 | |
| 18 | Meghalaya | 0 | 900 | 0 | 0 | 900 | |
| 19 | Mizoram | 0 | 150 | 0 | 0 | 150 | |
| 20 | Nagaland | 0 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 100 | |
| 21 | Odisha | 10283 | 18335 | 11168 | 1213 | 40999 | |
| 22 | Punjab | 2584 | 0 | 313 | 294 | 3191 | |
| 23 | Rajasthan | 16409 | 13467 | 10207 | 2312 | 42395 | |
| 24 | Sikkim | 10 | 72 | 72 | 2 | 156 | |
| 25 | Tamil Nadu | 2643 | 2467 | 4568 | 33 | 9711 | |
| 26 | Telangana | 31036 | 29810 | 74572 | 6353 | 141771 | |
| 27 | Tripura | 33 | 1813 | 34 | 0 | 1880 | |
| 28 | Uttar Pradesh | 43171 | 1493 | 32195 | 9287 | 86146 | |
| 29 | Uttarakhand | 1819 | 457 | 1026 | 713 | 4015 | |
| 30 | West Bengal | 1581 | 1799 | 949 | 1826 | 6155 | |
| | Total | 206297 | 177009 | 264175 | 110807 | 758288 | |
| Source: F | Prabandh | | | | | | |

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Based on the information submitted by the States/UTs for the period 2020–21 to 2024–25, the Teacher-Student Ratio data is as below:-

| S. No. | Name of State/UT | Teacher-student ratio | | | | | |
|-----------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|--------------------|-------------|---------|--|
| | | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | 2023-24 | 2024-25 | |
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 1:21 | 1:21 | 1:21 | 1:21 | 1:21 | |
| 2 | Arunachal Pradesh | 1:25 | 1:25 | 1:25 | 1:25 | 1:25 | |
| 3 | Assam | 1:8 | 1:8 | 1:10 | 1:10 | 1:10 | |
| 4 | Bihar | - | - | 1:33 | 1:28 | 1:39 | |
| 5 | Chhattisgarh | - | 1:27 | 1:28 | 1:28 | 1:30 | |
| 6 | DNH & DD | 1:13 | 1:29 | 1:15 | 1:12 | 1:24 | |
| 7 | Gujarat | 1:20 | 1:20 | 1:20 | 1:20 | 1:20 | |
| 8 | Haryana | 1:24 | 1:26 | 1:28 | 1:19 | 1:17 | |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | | KGBV | hostels are reside | ential only | 1 | |
| 10 | Jammu and Kashmir | 1:13 | 1:13 | 1:13 | 1:13 | 1:11 | |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 1:50 | 1:50 | 1:50 | 1:50 | 1:50 | |
| 12 | Karnataka | 1.30 | 1.30 | 1.30 | 1.30 | 1.30 | |
| 13 | Kerala | KGBV hostels are residential only | | | | | |
| 14 | Ladakh | 1:6 | 1:6 | 1:6 | 1:6 | 1:6 | |
| 15 | Madhya Pradesh | | KGBV | hostels are reside | ential only | | |
| 16 | Maharashtra | 1:18 | 1:18 | 1:20 | 1:21 | 1:22 | |
| 17 | Manipur | 1:19 | 1:20 | 1:18 | 1:16 | 1:16 | |
| 18 | Meghalaya | - | 1:10 | 1:15 | 1:20 | 1:20 | |
| 19 | Mizoram | | KGBV | hostels are reside | ential only | | |
| 20 | Nagaland | 1:33 | 1:33 | 1:33 | 1:33 | 1:33 | |
| 21 | Odisha | | KGBV | hostels are reside | ential only | | |
| 22 | Punjab | | | hostels are reside | | | |
| 23 | Rajasthan | 1:25 | 1:25 | 1:25 | 1:25 | 1:25 | |
| 24 | Sikkim | 1:19 | 1:19 | 1:19 | 1:19 | 1:19 | |
| 25 | Tamil Nadu | 1:20 | 1:20 | 1:20 | 1:20 | 1:20 | |
| 26 | Telangana | 1:14 | 1:14 | 1:15 | 1:16 | 1:16 | |
| 27 | Tripura | 1:30 | 1:30 | 1:30 | 1:30 | 1:30 | |
| 28 | Uttar Pradesh | 1:14 | 1:19 | 1:17 | 1:17 | 1:16 | |
| 29 | Uttarakhand | KGBV hostels are residential only | | | | | |
| 30 | West Bengal | KGBV hostels are residential only | | | | | |
| | e: State/UT Governmen | nts | | | <u>*</u> | | |
