

9GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 2402
ANSWERED ON 15/12/2025

Samagra Shiksha Abhiyaan in South Chennai

2402. **Dr. T Sumathy *Alias* Thamizhachi Thangapandian:**

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has sanctioned funds under Samagra Shiksha Abhiyaan for Information and Communication Technology (ICT) labs, smart classrooms or digital learning infrastructure in Government schools located in South Chennai during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details of schools covered, funds approved and released;
- (c) whether several Government schools in South Chennai have not received ICT upgrades due to revised central funding patterns or delays in approvals, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government proposes to release additional funds or special assistance to ensure that urban Government schools in South Chennai do not lag in digital learning access, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c): During the last three years (2022-23 to 2024-25), 6825 ICT Labs with an estimated cost of Rs. 31010.50 Lakh and 6284 Smart Classrooms with an estimated cost of Rs. 14955.60 Lakh, were sanctioned under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme Samagra Shiksha for the State of Tamil Nadu. As per information received from the State Government of Tamil Nadu, during the aforesaid period, ICT Labs for 35 schools of South Chennai with an estimated cost of Rs. 238.10 Lakh and Smart Classrooms for 23 schools of South Chennai with an estimated cost of Rs. 59.57 Lakh were approved, and Rs. 154.50 Lakh was released for ICT Labs in 24 schools of South Chennai.

(d): During the current year 2025-26, 2166 ICT Labs with an estimated cost of Rs. 13523 Lakh and 2683 Smart Classrooms with an estimated cost of Rs. 3219.20 Lakh, have been sanctioned under Samagra Shiksha for the State of Tamil Nadu. As per information received from the State Government of Tamil Nadu, during 2025-26, 56 ICT Labs with an estimated cost of Rs. 339.30 Lakh and 22 Smart Classrooms with an estimated cost of Rs. 26.40 Lakh, have been approved for 78 schools of South Chennai.
