

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO - 28
ANSWERED ON – 02/02/2026**

Selection of Schools under PM SHRI Schools Scheme

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Shri Bhumare Sandipanrao Asaram:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and total number of schools selected so far under the PM SHRI Schools Scheme across the country, especially in respect of UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Maharashtra;
- (b) the details of the criteria adopted for the selection of schools under the said scheme;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include more schools from the UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and the State of Maharashtra during the next phase of the said scheme; and
- (d) the details of various steps being taken by the Government to ensure quality infrastructure, digital access and skill based education in the said schools, especially in respect of UT of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and the State of Maharashtra?

ANSWER

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 28 ANSWERED ON 02.02.2026 ASKED BY SMT. DELKAR KALABEN MOHANBHAI AND SHRI BHUMARE SANDIPANRAO ASARAM, HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "SELECTION OF SCHOOLS UNDER PM SHRI SCHOOLS SCHEME"

(a) to (c): The centrally sponsored scheme of PM SHRI was approved by Cabinet on 7th September, 2022. Subsequent to the approval, a total of 13,076 PM SHRI schools have been selected from 33 States/UTs along with KVS/NVS/NCERT in seven phases of selection process. Out of 13,076, a total of 7 PM SHRI schools have been selected from UT of Dadar & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu and a total of 860 PM SHRI schools have been selected from State of Maharashtra. The State/UT/KVS/NVS/NCERT-wise details of number of schools selected under the PM SHRI scheme is attached as **Annexure I**. Further, the list of PM SHRI schools across the country may be accessed on the website of PM SHRI scheme at the link: <https://pmsfri.education.gov.in/state>.

The criteria adopted by the Government for selecting the schools under the PM SHRI scheme are provided under "Selection Methodology (Page no. 13-22)" of the PM SHRI Framework, available at the link: https://pmsfri.education.gov.in/assets/pdf/part1_pmsfri.pdf.

(d): To ensure quality infrastructure, PM SHRI scheme has a provision to equip PM SHRI schools with science labs, ICT-enabled smart classrooms, library, furniture and playground. Initiatives like introduction of LED lighting, creation of eco-friendly green schools with herbal/medicinal gardens and composting facilities have been included. For quality assurance and continuous monitoring, all PM SHRI schools are onboarded on School Quality Assessment Framework (SQUAF) for a four-stage upgradation.

PM SHRI scheme incorporates digital learning establishing ICT-enabled smart classrooms and digital libraries along with digital educational content. Platforms like DIKSHA are being utilized to provide a repository of high-quality digital learning resources, enabling resource-sharing among educators and students. There is also a provision for the capacity-building of teachers to effectively integrate digital pedagogy into their teaching practices, ensuring enriched and engaging learning experiences for students.

The scheme, aligned with NEP 2020, also has a provision to integrate vocational education into the mainstream curriculum at the secondary and senior secondary levels, equipping students with essential skills for the future. There is a provision of setting up of vocational and skill labs by providing tools & equipment, raw materials, trainers, in-service and induction trainings for trainers, hands on training for students, linkages with sector skill councils etc. Students gain hands-on experience through internships with organisation/companies.

Annexure I

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The States/UTs/KVS/NVS/NCERT-wise details of number of schools selected under the PM SHRI scheme in the country are as follows:

S.No.	States/UTs/KVS/NVS/NCERT	Number of PM SHRI schools
1	A & N ISLANDS	16
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	935
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	93
4	ASSAM	382
5	BIHAR	836
6	CHANDIGARH	2
7	CHHATTISGARH	341
8	DNH & DD	7
9	DELHI	6
10	GOA	28
11	GUJARAT	463
12	HIMACHAL PRADESH	199
13	HARYANA	250
14	JAMMU & KASHMIR	396
15	JHARKHAND	363
16	KARNATAKA	585
17	LADAKH	37
18	LAKSHADWEEP	11
19	MADHYA PRADESH	799
20	MAHARASHTRA	860
21	MANIPUR	121
22	MEGHALAYA	65
23	MIZORAM	35
24	NAGALAND	49
25	ODISHA	762
26	PUDUCHERRY	12
27	PUNJAB	356
28	RAJASTHAN	639
29	SIKKIM	47
30	TELANGANA	794
31	TRIPURA	84
32	UTTARAKHAND	241
33	UTTAR PRADESH	1725
34	KVS	913
35	NVS	620
36	NCERT	4
	Total	13076
