

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1113
TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.02.2026

EMRS IN BHAGALPUR, BIHAR

†1113. SHRI AJAY KUMAR MANDAL:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) is proposed in Ekchari PRP of Bhagalpur district of Bihar;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reason for not establishing Eklavya Vidyalaya so far despite the fact that a large number of tribals reside in the district;
- (d) the factors responsible for this and the impact of this decision on the education and development of tribal students in the region;
- (e) whether the State Government and the Ministry of Tribal Affairs have considered any alternative tribal education model; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

(a) to (f) As per announcement made in the Union Budget of 2018-19, Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRSs) are set up in blocks having more than 50% ST population and at least 20,000 tribal persons (as per census 2011) to provide quality education to tribal students in their own environment. None of the blocks in the Bhagalpur district fulfils the twin criteria as per Census 2011. However, the requirement of EMRS across country is reviewed from time to time.
