

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 372
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Uploading of Information on PM-SHRI Portal

372. Adv. Adoor Prakash:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the State of Kerala has uploaded the information of schools on PM-SHRI portal after signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Union Government in October, 2025, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any communication from the State of Kerala regarding withdrawal from the PM-SHRI scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by the Union Government in this regard?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): 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, be the exemplar schools, and also offer benchmarking 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.
