

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEPARTMENT OF EMPOWERMENT OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2548  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2015**

**Visually Impaired Children**

**2548. DR. K. KAMARAJ:**

**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the total number of visually impaired children and the details of special schools for them in the country, State-wise; and
- (b) the quantum of funds allocated/ utilised for the education of such children in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT**

**(SHRI KRISHANPAL GURJAR)**

(a) & (b) As per Census 2011 there are 11,33,472 children with visual impairment in the age group of 5-19 years. The details of special Schools run by the State Governments are not centrally maintained. However, this Ministry is implementing Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS) under which grant-in-aid is provided to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGO) for their projects including special schools for visually impaired aimed at enabling persons with disabilities to reach and maintain their optimal, physical, sensory, intellectual, psychiatric or social functional levels. A Statement indicating State/UT wise number of special schools for visually impaired, admissible financial assistance sanctioned during last three years and the current year is at **Annexure-I**.

In addition, the Ministry of Human Resource and Development is implementing Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) as main programme for universalising elementary education for all children from 6-14 years of age. SSA provides Rs. 3000/- per child per annum. The major interventions under SSA for the education of children with special needs (CWSN) are identification, assessment, provision of free aids and appliances, teacher training, engagement of resource persons exclusively for CWSN, support services and barrier free access. The quantum of funds allocated/ utilised for inclusive education for children with special needs in the country during the last three years and the current year, State-wise under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan is at **Annexure-II**.

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**Annexure-I**

Annexure referred to in reply to Part (a) and (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question Number 2548 for answer on 15.12.2015 regarding "Visually Impaired Children"

**Number of Special Schools for Visually Impaired (VI) admissible financial assistance sanctioned under DDRS during the last three years and Current year.**

**(Amount Rs. in Lakhs)**

S.No.	Name of State/UT	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15		2015-16 (as on 10.12.2015)	
		Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
1	Andhra Pradesh	4	93.52	6	153.97	2	11.04	4	39.29
2	Assam	0	0	1	4.45	0	0	0	0
3	Bihar	1	2.65	1	6.92	0	0	2	10.43
4	Chhattisgarh	1	10.69	2	14.24	0	0	1	4.65
5	Delhi	2	48.17	2	58.79	2	4.24	4	55.09
6	Goa	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Gujarat	1	2.87	1	1.64	0	0	0	0
8	Haryana	1	6.65	3	38	2	22.22	0	0
9	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	2	10.93	1	4.89	0	0
10	Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Karnataka	8	54.37	7	49.24	2	6.24	0	0
13	Kerala	2	14.65	2	27.58	0	0	1	1
14	Madhya Pradesh	2	6.91	1	3.61	0	0	1	3.92
15	Maharashtra	1	10.11	1	1.8	2	16.18	0	0
16	Manipur	0	0	1	0	1	3.13	0	0
17	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Mizoram	1	5.89	6	2.03	1	0.67	0	0
19	Odisha	5	62.41	0	134.14	1	20.55	7	57.32
20	Puducherry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Punjab	1	6.13	1	2.52	3	35.53	1	4.84
22	Rajsthan	2	14.27	2	57.13	0	0	1	10.24
23	Tamil Nadu	4	37.86	6	0	1	4.38	2	9.79
24	Telangana	0	0	0	0	7	109.42	1	6.37
25	Tripura	0	0	0	66.38	0	0	0	0
26	Uttar Pradesh	2	35.76	5	0	3	43.66	3	17.16
27	Utrakhand	0	0	0	11.45	0	0	0	0
28	West Bengal	2	31.83	2	0	1	10.68	1	4.06
	<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>444.74</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>644.82</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>292.83</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>224.16</b>

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## Funds allocated/ utilised for CWSN under SSA

(Rs. in Lakhs)

S. No.	Name of the State	Allocation	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15		2015-16		Exp upto Sept 2015	% Exp.	
			Exp.	% Exp.	Allocation	Exp.	% Exp.	Allocation	Exp.	% Exp.			
1	A & N Islands	18.65	16.58	88.90	10.4	9.19	88.37	14.667	8.76	59.73	14.667	0	0.0
2	Andhra Pradesh	5530.29	3225.83	58.33	2076.95	1644.35	79.17	1560.804	869.47	55.71	2005.04	208.7	10.4
3	Assam	461.006	434.52	94.26	329.73	277.48	84.15	315.21	105.17	33.37	191.01	0	0.0
4	Bihar	2476.525	1849.45	74.68	1778.77	1587.72	89.26	1642.98	1344.42	81.83	2172.288	260.64	12.0
5	Chhattisgarh	9878.91	4392.59	44.46	3906.2	2627.18	67.26	4086.9	2406.02	58.87	4142.3	375.73	9.1
6	D&N Haveli	132.21	87.44	66.14	99.06	87.84	88.67	120.84	104.83	86.75	134.4	63.74	47.4
7	Daman & Diu	1925.328	1154.84	59.98	958.72	862.5	89.96	2129.97	2080.26	97.67	1866.0	500.00	26.8
8	Goa	7.8	6.69	85.77	7.86	7.73	98.35	12.27	5.73	46.69	12.81	4.405	34.4
9	Gujarat	10.47	7.57	72.34	7.89	4.6363	58.76	7.47	5.63	75.34	7.53	0.87	11.6
10	Haryana	531.48	440.26	82.84	517.51	126.94	24.53	266.305	122.32	45.93	302.88	82.901	27.4
11	Himachal Pr.	29.28	13.84	47.27	17.89	17.89	100.00	28.611	28.61	100.00	33.52	33.52	100.0
12	J&K	3450.538	3409.75	98.82	2376.75	2325.42	97.84	2404.872	2325.08	96.68	2644.7	1046.88	39.6
13	Karnataka	928.2	598.29	64.46	997.02	997.02	100.00	727.85	532.52	73.16	832.47	265.43	31.9
14	Kerala	434.13	298.22	68.69	266.67	214.25	80.34	233.75	210.76	90.16	349.24	41.88	12.0
15	Lakshadweep	1046.85	258.88	24.73	382.98	152.18	39.74	534.47	283.37	53.02	792.72	290.28	36.6
16	Madhya Pr.	2206.464	1246.27	56.48	1733.95	1137.76	65.62	1621.82	378.97	23.37	1891.775	137.24	7.3
17	Maharashtra	4439.97	2941.91	66.26	1530.64	1321.75	86.35	2170.34	1784.27	82.21	2196.325	258.575	11.8
18	Manipur	3445.974	3214.81	93.29	2370.07	2211.74	93.32	2384.92	2081.72	87.29	2057.975	469.09	22.8
19	Mizoram	7.8	0.00	0.00	9.06	0	0.00	8.67	0.00	0.00	6	0	0.0
20	Nagaland	2782.08	1839.82	66.13	1284.89	917.4	71.40	1693.755	1247.74	73.67	2343.054	240.32	10.3
21	Odisha	7818.792	5401.65	69.09	8057.09	6622.02	82.19	7830.7	6143.12	78.45	8011.53	1616.79	20.2
22	Puducherry	355.05	281.63	79.32	256.38	193.47	75.46	206.26	190.22	92.22	242.94	13.36	5.5
23	Punjab	334.386	237.25	70.95	293.91	179.69	61.14	358.32	157.32	43.91	308.94	9.542	3.1
24	Rajasthan	228.06	217.77	95.49	166	165.29	99.57	190.249	190.25	100.00	189	19.93	10.5
25	Tamil Nadu	306.84	302.19	98.48	275.91	56.81	20.59	190.038	0.00	0.00	174.03	0	0.0
26	West Bengal	3432.74	2956.42	86.12	1995.36	1605.02	80.44	3548.85	2408.39	67.86	2561.52	145.84	5.7
27	Andhra Pradesh	86.228	33.27	38.58	59.95	50.253	83.82	56.04	45.66	81.47	37.8	19.47	51.5
28	Punjab	3250.5	2469.53	75.97	2039.68	1881.39	92.24	1444.72	774.41	53.60	1712.08	417.23	24.4

S. No.	Name of the State	2012-13		2013-14		Exp.	% Exp.	2014-15		2015-16		Exp. Upto Sept 2015	% Exp.
		Allocation	Exp.	Allocation	Exp.			Allocation	Exp.				
29	Rajasthan	2343.6	1834.00	1159.72	1093.98	1093.98	94.33	1162.673	946.48	1255.715	39.35	3.1	
30	Sikkim	64.29	48.21	34.02	35.39	35.39	104.03	40.23	18.46	36.9	0	0.0	
31	Tamil Nadu	3657.05	3298.66	2541.11	2498.99	2498.99	98.34	3166.028	3114.79	3705.89	1326.68	35.8	
32	Telangana	0	0	0	0	0	0	1172.643	448.34	1662.07	58.36	3.5	
33	Tripura	117.72	102.06	76.6	76.6	76.6	100.00	74.78	74.78	112.59	53.5	47.5	
34	Uttarakhand	656.94	406.92	387.18	294.56	294.56	76.08	259.58	179.37	317.88	50.76	16.0	
35	UP	9514.256	5832.07	3440.04	2345.71	2345.71	68.19	4923.873	3372.3618	5767.9	1353.33	23.5	
36	West Bengal	7420.868	4784.05	3637.24	3122.14	3122.14	85.84	4267.22	3133.0846	4677.13	276.00	5.9	
	Total	79331.275	53643.23	45083.2	36752.28874	36752.28874	81.52	50858.678	37122.69	54770.619	9680.34	17.7	