

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 126
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25th APRIL, 2016**

Education in Rural Areas

†126. SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of schools in the country having only one room and one teacher, State/UT-wise; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that such schools are not able to attract and retain students and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

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(a) : A statement showing the State and UT wise details of schools with single teacher and schools with single classroom is annexed.

(b) : Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) programme provide a number of incentives to increase the enrolment and retention of children in schools. These include enhancing access to elementary schools, strengthening school infrastructure like school building, additional classrooms, toilets, drinking water facilities etc., and improving the pupil teacher ratio. In addition, 3598 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas or residential schools for girls belonging predominantly to the SC, ST, OBC and minorities at upper primary level in educationally backward blocks of the country have been set up. The Mid-Day Meal programme is also implemented in elementary schools to help retain children in schools.

During the Annual Work Plans and Budget (AWP&B) meetings for SSA every year, the Project Approval Board (PAB) has been stressing on ensuring at least two teachers in primary schools/sections, three subject teachers in upper primary sections and a provision of one classroom per teacher. These provisions are in accordance with the Schedule to the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.

Many States are rationalizing stand-alone primary school with only one room and low enrolment by creating composite school where such school may be merged or they are mentored by a larger school in the same geographical area.

ANNEXURE AS REFERRED IN THE REPLY OF PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 126 FOR 25th APRIL, 2016 ASKED BY SHRI SHARAD TRIPATHI REGARDING EDUCATION IN RURAL AREAS.

The number of Schools with Single Teacher and schools with single classroom.

State/UTs	No. of Govt. Schools with Single Teacher	No. of Govt. Schools with Single Classroom
A & N Island	16	14
Andhra Pradesh	9496	7708
Arunachal Pradesh	1020	174
Assam	1213	6427
Bihar	3682	1633
Chandigarh	0	1
Chhattisgarh	3782	1276
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	49	5
Delhi	12	0
Goa	366	191
Gujarat	636	413
Haryana	885	210
Himachal Pradesh	1117	540
Jammu & Kashmir	1430	2360
Jharkhand	7308	232
Karnataka	4551	1873
Kerala	307	29
Lakshadweep	0	1
Madhya Pradesh	17655	3540
Maharashtra	2726	2500
Manipur	227	1
Meghalaya	225	1045
Mizoram	73	6
Nagaland	83	4
Orissa	3720	4178
Pondicherry	0	10
Punjab	1350	517
Rajasthan	13552	1798
Sikkim	13	9
Tamil Nadu	1095	0
Telangana	6280	3763
Tripura	45	99
Uttar Pradesh	16966	795
Uttarakhand	1735	231
West Bengal	2644	5561
Total	1,04,259	47,144

Source: UDISE-2014-15
