

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION AND LITERACY
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**Establishment of New Kendriya Vidyalayas
and PM-SHRI Schools in Maharashtra**

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has received proposals from Maharashtra and other States for the establishment of new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) and PM School for Rising India (PM-SHRI) Schools;
- (b) if so, the number of such proposals received, district-wise and the present status of the said proposals, along with the timeline for their approval and implementation;
- (c) the total number of Kendriya Vidyalayas and PM-SHRI Schools presently functioning in the State of Maharashtra;
- (d) whether the proposal made by Public Representative for setting up Kendriya Vidyalayas and PM-SHRI schools in Dharashiv district has been considered by the Government, if so, the present status thereof;
- (e) whether there exists a demand-supply gap in access to quality CBSE-affiliated Kendriya Vidyalayas in the rural and semi-urban areas of Maharashtra, if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Government has identified any new locations or educationally backward districts in Maharashtra including Dharashiv for the establishment of new Kendriya Vidyalayas or PM-SHRI Schools; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof with specific reference to the Washim-Yavatmal Parliamentary Constituency?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (g) Opening of new Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) is a continuous process. KVs are opened primarily to cater to the educational needs of the wards of transferable Central Government Employees including Defence & Para-military personnel, Central Autonomous Bodies, Central Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) and Central Institute

of Higher Learning (IHL) by providing a common programme of education throughout the country. Proposals for opening of new KVs may be sponsored by Ministries or Departments of the Government of India / State Governments / Union Territories (UTs) Administrations, with commitment to provide requisite resources including land and temporary accommodation for setting up a new KV as per norms. The proposals are subject to approval of the competent authority as per extant procedures. KVs are not opened on the criteria of rural/urban/backward districts/aspirational district/State/UT etc.

At present, 63 KVs are functional in the State of Maharashtra including 02 KVs in Washim-Yavatmal Parliamentary Constituency i.e. PM SHRI KV, Washim and KV, Yavatmal. All KVs are affiliated to CBSE by providing a common programme of education throughout the country.

As per information received from Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS), no feasible proposals, as per norms of KVS, for opening of new KVs have been received by KVS from State Government of Maharashtra/District Administrations.

The proposals received from the sponsoring authorities for opening of new KVs are examined / processed at various levels and are required to be considered in a holistic manner in accordance with the extant guidelines, inter alia taking into account various factors including the availability of resources and overall feasibility.

Pradhan Mantri Schools for Rising India (PM SHRI) is a centrally sponsored scheme which aims to strengthen more than 14,500 schools from amongst the existing schools managed by Central Government/State/UT Government/local bodies.

Under PM SHRI scheme, the selection of PM SHRI schools is done through the Challenge Mode, wherein schools compete for support to become exemplar schools. The criteria adopted by the Government for selecting the schools under the PM SHRI scheme are provided under "Selection Methodology" of the PM SHRI Framework, available at the link: https://pms shri .education.gov.in/assets/pdf/part1_pms shri.pdf.

Under PM SHRI scheme, a total of 946 schools including 52 KVs have been selected from the State of Maharashtra. The details of PM SHRI schools may be accessed on the website of PM SHRI scheme at the link: <https://pms shri .education.gov.in/state>.
