

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 43
ANSWERED ON 20.07.2026

Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society

43. Shri Anurag Sharma:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched the Understanding Lifelong Learning for All in Society (ULLAS) - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram to promote adult literacy, digital literacy, financial literacy and lifelong learning among persons aged 15 years and above and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of funds allocated, released and utilised under the scheme since its inception, State/UT-wise and district-wise for Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) the number of learners enrolled, assessed and certified under the programme in UP particularly in Jhansi district, year-wise;
- (d) the details of measures taken to enhance participation of volunteers, educational institutions and local bodies and to promote the use of technology for effective implementation of the scheme in rural and urban areas; and
- (e) whether the Government has undertaken any assessment of the impact of the scheme on improving adult literacy and learning outcomes in Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The Government of India is implementing, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, New India Literacy Programme (NILP) since 2022-23, popularly known as ULLAS (Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society) - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram. In pursuance to the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the scheme targets non-literates aged 15 and above based on the vision of making Bharat '**Jan Jan Saakshar**'. The scheme is being implemented through community engagement and volunteerism. It has five components, (i) Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, (ii) Critical Life Skills, (iii) Basic Education, (iv) Vocational Skills, and (v) Continuing Education. The scheme provides Foundational Literacy and Numeracy (FLN) to non-literate learners, enabling them to become literate.

(b) Under the ULLAS scheme, total Centre share allocated, funds released and utilized for the scheme State/UT wise is attached at **Annexure-I**. The details of funds allocated, released and utilized for the scheme district-wise for Uttar Pradesh is attached at **Annexure-II**.

(c) The number of learners registered, assessed and certified under the programme in Uttar Pradesh particularly in Jhansi district, year-wise is as follows:

State of Uttar Pradesh:

S.No	Year	Number of learners registered for assessment under FLNAT*	Number of learners certified
1	2022-23	1,13,716	81,784
2	2023-24	3,48,298	2,99,680
3	2024-25	2,76,642	2,67,160
4	2025-26	5,30,213	5,19,653

*Foundational Literacy and Numeracy Assessment Test

Jhansi district of Uttar Pradesh:

S.No	Year	Number of learners registered for assessment under FLNAT	Number of Learners Certified
1	2022-23	1043	742
2	2023-24	8461	7312
3	2024-25	2320	2224
4	2025-26	5383	5283

(d) Under ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saaksharta Karyakram, wide-ranging measures have been undertaken to strengthen participation of volunteers, educational institutions and local bodies. Students, teachers, retired personnel, SHGs and community members are encouraged to register as volunteer teachers through the ULLAS Mobile App. Schools, Teacher Education Institutions, Higher Education Institutions, School Management Committees, Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies actively support the scheme for identification and registration of learners, awareness generation and teaching learning activities. Technology-enabled implementation through the ULLAS Mobile App and Portal facilitates learner and volunteer registration, digital learning, assessments, certification, real-time monitoring and data-driven decision-making, ensuring effective outreach in both rural and urban areas. The States/UTs employ various best practices to enhance outreach including awareness drives and camps, convergence with line departments, CSR participation, etc.

(e) An evaluation study has been conducted in 2025 by the DMEO, NITI Aayog on Centrally Sponsored Schemes in Education Sector including ULLAS- Nav Bharat Saaksharta

Karyakram. NIEPA (National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration) has also conducted a mid-term evaluation of ULLAS in 2025 for the country.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 43 FOR 20TH JULY, 2026 REGARDING “UNDERSTANDING OF LIFELONG LEARNING FOR ALL IN SOCIETY” ASKED BY HON’BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT SHRI ANURAG SHARMA.

Details of Total Funds allocated, released and Utilised under the scheme since its inception State/UT wise (Amount in Rs.)				
S.No.	States/UTs	Funds Allocated (Central Share) (2022-23 to 2025-26)	Funds Released (Central Share) (2022-23 to 2025-26)	Total Expenditure (Central Share) (2022-23 to 2025-26)
1	A&N Islands	1,61,46,869	39,54,000	7,63,608
2	Andhra Pradesh	33,59,56,920	18,52,76,000	8,89,12,732
3	Arunachal Pradesh	4,34,33,423	1,55,79,000	1,40,60,479
4	Assam	66,30,31,512	34,37,93,000	23,05,22,016
5	Bihar	32,42,99,040	15,79,06,000	0
6	Chandigarh	3,42,98,732	61,63,000	37,48,803
7	Chhattisgarh	26,25,14,665	13,52,07,152	8,75,21,573
8	D&D and D&NH	2,66,17,572	51,81,000	49,21,656
9	Delhi	7,58,19,744	2,49,62,000	63,45,932
10	Goa	61,31,567	25,35,838	21,32,938
11	Gujarat	22,06,86,960	6,49,30,000	62,90,882
12	Haryana	24,46,93,800	6,35,14,000	95,29,196
13	Himachal Pradesh	6,25,73,378	1,72,62,451	1,45,35,827
14	Jammu & Kashmir	20,49,11,413	8,00,73,000	4,40,08,065
15	Jharkhand	67,34,25,848	13,85,28,000	2,49,31,229
16	Karnataka	52,53,67,035	18,20,40,000	6,06,99,587
17	Kerala	4,26,28,560	1,74,40,000	95,10,117
18	Ladakh	3,55,61,240	1,12,67,000	18,65,144
19	Lakshadweep	72,76,880	24,89,000	0
20	Madhya Pradesh	77,03,91,960	32,27,95,000	11,78,30,413
21	Maharashtra	41,94,49,680	14,50,81,000	8,08,51,587
22	Manipur	6,72,65,369	2,96,87,000	1,85,94,587
23	Meghalaya	16,47,64,272	7,89,01,000	5,24,00,192
24	Mizoram	2,05,28,460	79,17,000	79,13,742
25	Nagaland	7,77,05,260	5,51,27,000	4,46,78,754
26	Odisha	46,44,71,851	18,65,89,484	15,63,32,594
27	Puducherry	69,26,400	34,31,000	15,71,813
28	Punjab	12,17,89,200	4,40,23,000	2,69,81,636
29	Rajasthan	70,70,38,800	41,13,31,000	19,58,82,902
30	Sikkim	1,45,72,814	67,88,000	56,60,451
31	Tamil Nadu	37,77,27,471	30,62,86,080	29,14,68,705
32	Telangana	32,60,77,010	9,03,77,000	84,93,938
33	Tripura	5,40,47,733	2,55,24,000	1,65,27,942
34	Uttar Pradesh	88,25,70,000	22,71,05,600	5,12,65,054
35	Uttarakhand	10,57,80,285	4,58,82,000	2,72,54,280
36	West Bengal*	0	0	0
	Total	838,64,81,723	344,49,45,605	171,40,08,375

*West Bengal has not implemented the scheme till 2025-26.

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Details of Total Funds allocated, released and Utilised under the scheme since its inception district wise for Uttar Pradesh (Amount in Rs.)			
Sl.No.	Districts	Funds Allocated/Released (2022-23 to 2025-26)	Total Expenditure (2022-23 to 2025-26)
1	AGRA	2,277,745.00	1,646,468.00
2	ALIGARH	4,044,747.00	1,622,632.00
3	AMBEDARNAGAR	2,006,004.00	1,355,756.00
4	AMETHI	1,564,237.00	296,376.00
5	AMROHA	1,016,004.00	450,436.00
6	AURAIYA	908,680.00	513,730.00
7	AYODHYA	2,832,290.00	1,107,999.00
8	AZAMGARH	2,487,183.00	1,780,368.00
9	BAGPAT	1,113,499.00	862,275.00
10	BAHRAICH	4,059,891.00	286,988.00
11	BALLIA	3,969,465.00	1,240,504.00
12	BALRAMPUR	2,641,513.00	1,069,330.00
13	BANDA	1,990,301.00	688,503.00
14	BARABANKI	4,153,085.00	588,102.00
15	BAREILLY	2,084,082.00	344,955.00
16	BASTI	3,248,268.00	2,525,833.00
17	BHADOHI	2,123,964.00	1,687,968.00
18	BIJNOR	2,386,546.00	1,627,890.00
19	BUDAUN	2,378,525.00	1,820,966.00
20	BULANDSHAHR	6,196,414.00	2,784,736.00
21	CHANDAULI	2,148,061.00	324,910.00
22	CHITRAKOOT	2,703,159.00	1,416,238.00
23	DEORIA	3,416,906.00	2,107,746.00
24	ETAH	4,381,760.00	1,774,084.00
25	ETAWAH	2,265,308.00	1,564,722.00
26	FARRUKHABAD	1,693,536.00	1,286,538.50
27	FATEHPUR	1,764,976.00	861,415.00
28	FIROZABAD	2,944,644.00	2,400,866.00
29	GAUTAMBUDH NAGAR	630,921.00	251,779.00
30	GHAZIABAD	931,529.00	274,853.00
31	GHAZIPUR	2,140,228.00	1,073,777.00
32	GONDA	5,197,793.00	1,793,870.00
33	GORAKHPUR	2,960,364.00	1,289,365.00
34	HAMIRPUR	1,285,984.00	684,024.00
35	HAPUR	1,919,088.00	1,077,735.00
36	HARDOI	13,473,046.00	3,868,961.00
37	HATHRAS	3,428,932.00	2,147,472.00
38	JALAUN	1,758,310.00	1,227,496.00

39	JAUNPUR	3,152,857.00	1,652,312.00
40	JHANSI	3,008,405.00	2,502,435.00
41	KANNAUJ	2,325,607.00	1,396,214.00
42	KANPUR DEHAT	1,748,271.00	1,173,744.00
43	KANPUR NAGAR	2,853,656.00	1,062,466.00
44	KASGANJ	4,420,043.00	2,715,780.00
45	KAUSHAMBHI	1,084,808.00	600,130.00
46	KHERI	2,786,167.00	1,839,196.00
47	KUSHINAGAR	5,691,118.00	5,082,488.00
48	LALITPUR	1,096,553.00	383,080.00
49	LUCKNOW	1,914,503.00	770,421.00
50	MAHARAJGANJ	1,469,846.00	1,049,894.00
51	MAHOBAB	2,203,515.00	1,524,848.00
52	MAINPURI	2,891,054.00	1,958,975.00
53	MATHURA	3,981,728.00	1,140,725.00
54	MAU	1,488,703.00	471,539.00
55	MEERUT	4,499,742.00	1,838,388.00
56	MIRZAPUR	4,088,848.00	315,760.00
57	MORADABAD	1,172,859.00	319,237.00
58	MUJJAFAR NAGAR	1,465,427.00	399,386.00
59	PILIBHIT	1,139,154.00	969,807.00
60	PRATAPGARH	2,391,027.00	1,524,987.00
61	PRAYAGRAJ	3,332,496.00	2,634,097.00
62	RAEBAREILI	2,383,176.00	1,252,864.00
63	RAMPUR	980,355.00	576,935.00
64	SAHARANPUR	2,435,814.00	1,074,660.00
65	SAMBHAL	1,004,055.00	256,408.00
66	SANT KABIR NAGAR	1,975,848.00	1,438,526.00
67	SHAHJAHANPUR	3,071,560.00	1,794,691.00
68	SHAMLI	1,391,139.00	419,777.00
69	SHRAVASTI	1,806,423.00	790,882.00
70	SIDDHARTNAGAR	1,526,938.00	992,215.00
71	SITAPUR	4,905,771.00	2,922,112.00
72	SONBHADRA	1,363,845.00	352,437.00
73	SULTANPUR	2,632,623.00	2,027,646.00
74	UNNAO	3,613,929.00	480,078.00
75	VARANASI	3,649,744.00	1,772,281.00
	Total	201,474,595.00	99,205,087.50