

Council (NDC) envisaged setting up of one Central University each in States which did not, have any Central University till then. Accordingly, 16 Central Universities were established by the Central Universities Act, 2009 in different un-served States. Further, the Ministry has decided to set up four new Central Universities, viz. one Central Tribal University each in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, one Central University in Andhra Pradesh and one Mahatma Gandhi Central University in Bihar. No new Central University is proposed in the State of Jharkhand.

Model Schools

†2018. SHRI VISHAMBHAR PRASAD NISHAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has been successful in establishing 6,000 model schools like Kendriya Vidyalayas and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether those schools have started functioning in all the blocks of the country including Uttar Pradesh and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that in several development blocks in various States of the country, model schools have not been established, so far; and

(d) if so, the efforts made by Government to open model schools in all blocks of the country?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) and (b) The Model School Scheme envisages setting up of 6,000 model schools as benchmark of excellence at block level at the rate of one school per block. The scheme has two modes of implementation, viz. (i) setting up of 3,500 schools in educationally backward blocks (EBBs) through State/UT Governments, and (ii) the remaining 2,500 schools under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode in blocks which are not educationally backward.

Under the State sector component of the scheme, the Government of India has approved 2490 model schools in 22 States till date. Out of these approved schools, 1256 model schools have so far become functional in 12 States including 193 schools in the State of Uttar Pradesh, the details therefore given in the Statement (*See below*). Under the PPP component of the scheme, no school has been awarded till date.

(c) and (d) Setting up of model schools in EBBs depends on receipt of viable proposals from the State/UT Governments. Subsequent to approval, States are encouraged and regularly monitored to expedite making these schools functional.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

Statement

The details about 1256 functional schools in 12 states out of 2490 approved model schools

Sl. No.	State	No. of functional schools
1.	Andhra Pradesh	325
2.	Chhattisgarh	74
3.	Gujarat	84
4.	Haryana	36
5.	Jharkhand	89
6.	Karnataka	74
7.	Madhya Pradesh	201
8.	Maharashtra	43
9.	Punjab	21
10.	Rajasthan	72
11.	Tamil Nadu	44
12.	Uttar Pradesh	193
TOTAL		1256

New Education Policy

†2019. SHRI MOHAMMED ADEEB: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government is considering to prepare a new education policy;
- (b) if so, by when;
- (c) whether Government is considering to implement uniform education throughout the country;
- (d) if so, by when; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI): (a) to (e) Yes, Sir. The National Policy on Education 1986,

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