

Balika Vidyalayas (KGBVs) have been sanctioned in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBBs) under Samagra Shiksha. KGBVs are residential schools from class VI to XII for girls belonging to disadvantaged groups such as SC, ST, OBC, Minority and Below Poverty Line (BPL). A Total of 5930 KGBVs have been sanctioned under Samagra Shiksha as on 30.09.2019. Out of it, 4881 are operational enrolling 6.18 lakh girls.

Committee to look into suicides in IITs

1666. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government proposes to constitute a Committee to look into the incidents of suicides committed by the students of IITs in different parts of the country, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) the details of suicides committed by students of various IITs in different parts of the country during the last two years, IIT-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'): (a) Ministry of HRD had constituted a Task Force for prevention of suicides and promotion of wellness in the CFTIs. The Task Force submitted its report in September, 2012 to the Ministry. The report / recommendations of the Task Force was considered and accepted by the IIT Council in its 46th meeting held on 07.01.2013 and were forwarded to all the Centrally Funded Technical Institutions with the request to take necessary action.

The IIT Council in its 51st meeting held on 28th April, 2017 considered the issue of suicide and a presentation was made by Prof. Partha P. Chakraborti, the then Director, IIT Kharagpur. In the presentation it was emphasized that the IIT students face various challenges related to academic, inspirational, social & life style. The Council adopted the following measures to be taken by all the IITs, in addition to the counseling centres being run:-

- (i) Multi-modal Vulnerability Assessment for Early Identification
- (ii) Wider Mental Health Assessment Programme
- (iii) Help Manual, Attendance Management, Alert and QRTs.

IITs have also taken various steps for overall development of students as well as to de-stress them, which includes, establishment of Students Wellness Centre,

Guidance and Counseling units and appointment of Student Counselors, student mentors, organizing Workshops / Seminars on Happiness/Wellness, regular sessions on Yoga, holding induction programs, extracurricular activities including sports and cultural activities.

(b) The details of suicides reported in IITs during the last two years are given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of suicides reported in IITs during the last two years

Sl. No.	Name of the IIT	Year-wise details of suicide		
		2018	2019	Total
1.	IIT Kharagpur	1	-	1
2.	IIT Bombay	1	-	1
3.	IIT Delhi	1	1	2
4.	IIT Madras	1	3	4
5.	IIT Kanpur	1	-	1
6.	IIT Roorkee	1	-	1
7.	IIT(ISM) Dhanbad	1	-	1
8.	IIT Hyderabad	1	2	3
TOTAL		8	6	14

Student-teacher ratio in schools

1667. SHRI P. BHATTACHARYA:

SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:

SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:

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

(a) the student-teacher ratio in Government primary and middle schools;

(b) the reasons for this anomaly and the steps Government proposes to take to solve the problem of shortage of teachers in Government schools; and