

made selection to teaching and non teaching posts through online process. The details are as under:—

Sl. No.	Institute	Teaching post	Non-teaching posts
1.	Central Universities (CUs)	116	07
2.	Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs)	170	10
3.	Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIITs)	18	03
4.	Indian Institute of Management (IIMs)	46	150
5.	National Institute of Technology (NITs)	-	01
6.	School of Planning and Architecture (SPA)		01

(c) To curb unfair practices and ensure fair selection of candidates, University Grants Commission (UGC) has issued guidelines for selection of candidates. The staff is appointed as per the UGC (Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education) Regulations 2018 as amended from time to time. To ensure transparency in online interview, the time of interview is kept progressively i.e. one candidate is called for video call at a pre assigned time so that full opportunity is available to each candidate to explain him/herself. During this period, other candidates are completely out of the video call.

#### **Training of teachers for online classes**

1336. SHRI DINESH TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government plans to undertake steps for virtual training of teachers for the new modalities of teaching online; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'): (a) and (b) DIKSHA has been leveraged to deliver online courses to teachers on multiple competencies. Till now, 6 states, NCERT and CBSE have already started their programs

and have uploaded more than 200 courses and have collectively trained 12 Lakh teachers. This has led to 8 crore learning sessions for these teachers.

CBSE has uploaded 20 courses on competencies like Experiential learning, pedagogical competencies, ICT etc. and have trained more than 1 Lakh teachers already. NCERT has also started leveraging DIKSHA and has uploaded 2 courses and NISHTHA training modules are being uploaded with the goal of training 40 Lakh teachers across the country.

States such as UP has launched 88 courses, Gujarat has launched 30 courses, Madhya Pradesh has uploaded 11 courses and both Haryana and Rajasthan have launched 5 courses which are relevant to the needs of their teachers leading to high enrolment and completion rate.

The courses are available on <https://diksha.gov.in/explore-course>

#### **Shortage of teachers in Tea Garden Schools**

1337. SHRI C.M. RAMESH: Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tea Garden Schools in the North Eastern States are facing shortage of school teachers, the details thereof for the last three years; and

(b) since when these posts of school teachers are lying vacant and steps taken by Government to fill the vacant posts with a definite time-line and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF EDUCATION (SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK'):

(a) As per information received from the State of Assam, the number of Government/provincialised schools in tea garden areas having shortage of teachers during 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 are given below:

Year	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19
Number of Schools	881	539	572

Source: UDISE.

Further, Government of Tripura has reported that the schools in blocks having tea garden areas have no shortage of teachers and are having an average PTR - 1:13. Other North Eastern States have reported no tea garden schools.

(b) State Government of Assam has completed the recruitment process against the vacancies of teachers during the year 2020-21. Recruitment of teachers is a continuous