

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1936
TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2021**

Regional offices to control KVs

1936 # SHRI RAJENDRA GEHLOT:

Will the Minister of *Education* be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has made any policy regarding setting up of regional offices in order to have effective control over Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs), if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of regional offices required to be established in Rajasthan as per the above mentioned policy and whether the locations thereof have been identified, if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the scheme to establish new Kendriya Vidyalayas in western Rajasthan, especially in the regions alongside border like Barmer, Shergarh, Jaisalmer, Bikaner, Ganganagar, Nagaur, Sikar and Jhunjhunu, where families of solidiers reside in large numbers, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)**

(a) & (b) Opening of new Regional Offices is a continuous process. At present, 1245 Kendriya Vidyalayas (KVs) are functioning across the country under the Administrative jurisdiction of 25 Regional Offices (including one in at Jaipur, Rajasthan). Proposals for setting up of new Regional Offices are undertaken as per administrative needs keeping in view the density of KVs opened in that area.

(c) Opening of new 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. Proposals for opening of new KVs are considered only if sponsored by Ministries or Departments of the Government of India / State Governments / Union Territories (UTs) Administrations

and committing resources for setting up a new KV. The proposals received from various sponsoring authorities found fulfilling the mandatory pre-requisites for opening of new KVs have to compete with other such proposals under the “Challenge Method” and subject to approval of the competent authority.

At present, 77 KVs (including 32 KVs in Western Rajasthan especially in the regions alongside border districts like Barmer, Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Bikaner, Sri Ganganagar, Nagaur, Sikar and Jhunjhunu) are functioning in the State of Rajasthan.
