

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

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-1636**  
ANSWERED ON 31/07/2023

**Decline in Educational Performance at District Level**

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the pandemic had led to decline in educational performance of many districts of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is true that the Performance Grading Index for Districts (PGI-D) will help State Education Departments to identify gaps at district level;
- (d) whether it is true that according to PGI-D report for 2020-21 and 2021-22, none of the districts attained the top two grades; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**

**(SMT. ANNPURNA DEVI)**

(a) to (e): The Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education has developed 83-indicator based on Performance Grading Index for District (PGI-D) for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22 to measure the performance of districts in school education. The score obtained by each district is then classified into 10 grades namely Daksh, Utkarsh, Atti-uttam, Uttam, Prachesta -1, Prachesta -2, Prachesta -3, Akanshi-1, Akanshi-2 and Akanshi-3.

The PGI-D is aims to help States and UTs to pinpoint the gaps at the disaggregated level and to prioritize areas for intervention so as to ensure school education system is robust at every level. It also provides insight into intra State comparison of progress of School education which is useful to assess the intervention required at district level and to take mid-course correction, wherever required for the holistic development of district as a whole in school education.

The grades of districts of all States/UTs of PGI-D for the year 2021-22 can be accessed at Annexure-II in PGI-D combined report for the year 2020-21 & 2021-22 at the link [https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGID-2020-21\\_2021-22.pdf](https://pgi.udiseplus.gov.in/PGID-2020-21_2021-22.pdf).

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