

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2763  
ANSWERED ON:11.08.2005  
SCHOOLS INSTITUTES FOR BLIND  
Badi Shri Rajendra Kumar

**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of blind persons in various States, State-wise;
- (b) whether there is any proposal to open schools and institutes for the blinds during the current year;
- (c) if so, the details alongwith the locations thereof; and
- (d) the funds earmarked for the purpose?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT(SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

- (a) The Census 2001 figures of visually disabled persons are at Annexure-I.
- (b) No, Sir.
- (c) &(d) Do not arise.

Annexure.I

Annex referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha USQ No.2763 for answer on 11.8.2005 put by Shri Rajender Kumar regarding Schools/Institutes for Blind.

State      Number of Visually Disabled Persons as per Census, 2001

Andaman & Nicobar Islands	3321
Andhra Pradesh	581587
Arunchal Pradesh	23079
Assam	282056
Bihar	1005605
Chandigarh	8422
Chattisgarh	160131
Dagar & Nagar Haveli	2346
Daman & diu	1898
Delhi	120712
Goa	4393
Gujarat	494624
Haryana	201358
Himachal Pradesh	64122
Jammu & Kashmir	208713
Jharkhand	186216
Karnataka	440875
Kerala	334622
Lakshadweep	603
Madhya Pradesh	636214
Maharashtra	580930
Manipur	11713
Meghalaya	13381
Mizoram	6257
Nagaland	9968
Orissa	514104
Pondicherry	10646
Punjab	170853
Rajasthan	753962
Sikkim	10790
Tamil Nadu	964063
Tripura	27505
Uttar Pradesh	1852071
Uttranchal	85668

West Bengal 862073  
All India 10634881