

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

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SCHOOLS FOR BLIND CHILDREN  
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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of schools for blind children functioning in the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether these schools are being funded by the Government apart from the Government schools; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI D. NAPOLEON)

(a) to (c) : Details about schools for blind children being run by the State Governments in the country are not maintained by the Ministry. However, under Deendayal Disabled Rehabilitation Scheme (DDRS), grant-in-aid is provided to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) for running various projects including Schools for Blind. A statement indicating the State-wise number of such schools being assisted under DDRS is at Annexure.