

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
TRIBAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

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INFRASTRUCTURE OF EMRS  
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**Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of poor infrastructure of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any mechanism in place to monitor the quality of infrastructure of EMRS and the funds utilisation by the State Governments in this regard;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the action taken by the Union Government in this regard ?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI MAHADEO SINGH KHANDELA)

(a) & (b): No report of poor infrastructure of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) has been received by the Ministry. However, in order to ensure good infrastructure of EMRS, the Ministry had issued revised guidelines on EMRS in June 2010. The guidelines inter alia specify the requirement for design, layout of the buildings, requirement of adequate land for the EMRS, earmarking of adequate space for sports/ games, science laboratory, computer laboratory, auditorium and infirmary/ sick room, etc. The capital cost for construction of EMRS including hostels and staff quarters, etc. has been increased substantially from Rs. 2.50 crore to Rs. 12.00 crore with the provision to go up to Rs.16.00 crore in hill areas, deserts and islands.

(c), (d) & (e): The Ministry ensures the quality of EMRS through the following:

- (i) Submission of periodic submission of progress reports by the State Governments.
- (ii) Visits by Officials of this Ministry's to the States.
- (iii) Meetings/Conferences convened at the Central level with State officials to review the physical and financial progress.
- (iv) Utilization Certificates from the State Governments.