

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2483  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019**

**Government School Teachers**

2483. SHRI RITESH PANDEY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of teaching and non-teaching hours spent by Government school teachers, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government plans to introduce legislation to restrict the number of non-teaching hours;
- (c) if so, the timeline for such a legislation; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')**

(a): No such data is maintained at central level. Section 27 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 states that no teacher shall be deployed for any non-educational purposes other than the decennial population census, disaster relief duties or duties relating to elections to the local authority or the State Legislatures or Parliament, as the case may be. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has also issued guidelines to all States and UTs that emphasize that teachers should not be deployed for non-educational duties other than those which are in accordance with the RTE Act. Further, the recruitment, service conditions and deployment of teachers come under the purview of the respective State/ Union Territory (UT) Government.

(b) to (d): As per the Schedule to RTE Act, 2009 the minimum number of working days/ instructional hours in an academic year are as under:

1. two hundred working days for first class to fifth class;
2. two hundred and twenty working days for sixth class to eighth class;
3. eight hundred instructional hours per academic year for first class to fifth class;
4. one thousand instructional hours per academic year for sixth class to eighth class

Further as per Schedule to RTE Act, 2009 the minimum number of working hours per week for the teacher are forty-five teaching including preparation hours.

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