

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 214
TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.09.2020

Teachers Training for Disabled Students

214. SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government aims to introduce a mechanism for training teachers specially for students with disabilities and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of alternative homeschooling mechanisms that are accessible to a student with disabilities; and
- (c) considering that according to the 8th All India School Education Survey (AISES) out of 58,76,273 teachers, only 80,942 (1.32%) teachers have received training in inclusive education, whether the Government has any plans of providing training programmes to teachers which specifically focuses on inclusive education and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF EDUCATION
(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) There is a proper dedicated mechanism to provide teachers training under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme Samagra Shiksha. This teacher education programme is recurrent at block/cluster levels with the support of SCERT, SRGs, KRPs, etc. and integrated with the on-going in-service teacher education/training schedules in DIETs and other Institutions. Teacher education modules at NCERT, SCERT, DIET and BRC level includes suitable components on education of children with special needs.

Further, the Department has launched National Initiative for School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement (NISHTHA). It aims to build competencies among all the teachers and school principals at the elementary stage. The concerns of Children with Special Needs (CWSN) are also addressed along with other to integrate their concerns within education system.

(b) Under the scheme, the intervention for home based education is provided to those children who have severe intellectual and physical disabilities and who cannot access neighbourhood school owing to their condition. The child is recommended home schooling after a comprehensive assessment by a team of doctors and specialists. Under Samagra Shiksha, during the year 2020-21, an outlay of Rs 2588.06 lakh covering 1,12,748 CwSN has been approved for home based education in all States and Union Territories.

(c) In order to provide qualitative education to differently-abled students, 424285 general teachers have been provided training for addressing the needs of differently-abled students. Apart from the above, 28285 dedicated special educators have been recruited by all the states and UTs who work on itinerant mode for addressing the scholastic and co-scholastic needs of differently abled students in government and government aided schools in the year 2018-19. The details of general teachers who have been given training on curriculum adaptation including learning disabilities under Samagra Shiksha are given at **annexure-I**.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 214 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.09.2020 ASKED BY SHRI ACHYUTANANDA SAMANTA, M.P. REGARDING “TEACHERS TRAINING FOR DISABLED STUDENTS”.

General Teachers trained on curriculum adaptations.

Sr. No.	State/UT	Total Trained Govt. Teachers (CWSN)	Total Trained Aided. Teachers (CWSN)	Total trained teachers (Govt.+Aided)
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	110	0	110
2	Andhra Pradesh	518	135	653
3	Arunachal Pradesh	422	3	425
4	Assam	11363	83	11446
5	Bihar	11232	71	11303
6	Chandigarh	478	28	506
7	Chhattisgarh	12995	253	13248
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	82	0	82
9	Daman & Diu	109	35	144
10	Delhi	1298	224	1522
11	Goa	188	321	509
12	Gujarat	65	783	848
13	Haryana	1344	11	1355
14	Himachal Pradesh	1379	0	1379
15	Jammu And Kashmir	1152	1	1153
16	Jharkhand	4422	91	4513
17	Karnataka	186282	0	186282
18	Kerala	1958	4298	6256
19	Lakshadweep	25	0	25
20	Madhya Pradesh	14179	103	14282
21	Maharashtra	39	7747	7786
22	Manipur	82	15	97
23	Meghalaya	274	159	433
24	Mizoram	175	85	260
25	Nagaland	220	0	220
26	Odisha	162	7	169
27	Puducherry	250	24	274
28	Punjab	6917	362	7279
29	Rajasthan	8062	0	8062
30	Sikkim	170	0	170
31	Tamil Nadu	82185	20255	102440
32	Telangana	1319	96	1415
33	Tripura	415	4	419
34	Uttar Pradesh	18388	1172	19560
35	Uttarakhand	965	59	1024
36	West Bengal	18600	36	18636
	Total	387824	36461	424285

Source: UDISE+ 2018-19