

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Implementation of Norms under RTE Act

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(a) whether the Government has asked all State Governments and UT Administrations to declare the number of schools that have been shut down due to non-compliance of rules under the RTE Act;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the States which have responded to the Union Government along with the details of schools closed as such; and

(c) the reaction of the Union Government on shutting down of school as the future of students is likely to be affected as a result thereof?

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

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

(a) & (b): All State Governments and UT Administrations had been requested to inform about the schools which were shut down due to non-compliance of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) norms. States of Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Odisha, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Telangana, Tripura, Uttarakhand and UT Administrations of Chandigarh, Delhi, Lakshadweep and Puducherry responded. Punjab reported closure of 1170 schools, Himachal Pradesh 4 schools, Madhya Pradesh 998 schools and Puducherry 1 school due to failure to maintain norms under the RTE Act.

(c): States have notified their own State RTE Rules for the implementation of the provisions of the RTE Act. The Government of India, in collaboration with States/ UTs, is implementing the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) Programme for providing universal access to elementary education with an aim to meet the objectives of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009. Under SSA, financial support is provided by the Central Government to all States/UTs for creation and improvement of school infrastructure as per their Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B).
