

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

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 3474
ANSWERED ON – 10/08/2026

Shortage of Libraries in Schools in Uttar Pradesh

3474. Shri Pushpendra Saroj:
Shri Mohibbullah:
Adv Priya Saroj:

Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that over five per cent of schools in Uttar Pradesh do not have libraries with books, if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to implement any scheme to equip such schools with library books and strengthen access to learning resources for students, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) The number of schools run by the Central Government in the country, State-wise and district-wise for Uttar Pradesh; and
- (d) the details of the availability of electricity, functional toilets, drinking water, libraries and other basic infrastructure in schools run by the central Government in Uttar Pradesh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): As reported in UDISE+ (2025-26), 98.4% Government Schools in Uttar Pradesh are equipped with library/Book Bank/Reading Corner facilities.

Under the component 'strengthening of existing schools' of Samagra Shiksha, a provision has been made to provide library room in schools where library rooms are not available. The scheme also includes provision for library and books across all levels of school education. It includes providing grant for libraries in all government schools. This grant is used to develop school libraries as learning spaces that nurture life-long readers and seekers of knowledge and promote reading ability through relevant, age-appropriate, diverse and engaging books and other reading material.

Moreover, Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya (ReP) is an innovative free digital library for children and adolescents that can be accessed online anytime, anywhere across India. The platform is available on iOS, Android and the web to ensure maximum accessibility. Currently, the platform offers a curated collection of more than 7,000 non-academic books in 25 Indian languages and English.

(c) & (d): The details of School run by Central Government in the country, State-wise and district-wise for Uttar Pradesh is at **Annexure-I & II**. All the 76 Navodaya Vidyalayas and 130 Kendriya Vidyalayas functional in Uttar Pradesh are equipped with the requisite basic infrastructure, including electricity, functional toilets, drinking water facilities and libraries.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) & (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3474 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2026 ASKED BY SHRI PUSHPENDRA SAROJ, SHRI MOHIBULLAH AND ADV. PRIYA SAROJ HON'BLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING "SHORTAGE OF LIBRARIES IN SCHOOLS IN UTTAR PRADESH"

State / UT-Wise Details of functional KVS and JNV Schools under Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti

S. No.	States / UTs	JNV	KVS
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands (UT)	3	02
2	Andhra Pradesh	15	46
3	Arunachal Pradesh	19	20
4	Assam	30	59
5	Bihar	39	60
6	Chandigarh (UT)	1	05
7	Chhattisgarh	28	40
8	Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu (UT)	3	02
9	Delhi (UT)	5	47
10	Goa	2	05
11	Gujarat	34	47
12	Haryana	21	36
13	Himachal Pradesh	12	27
14	Jammu & Kashmir (UT)	20	46
15	Jharkhand	26	44
16	Karnataka	31	57
17	Kerala	14	39
18	Ladakh (UT)	2	02
19	Lakshadweep (UT)	1	01
20	Madhya Pradesh	54	126
21	Maharashtra	34	63
22	Manipur	14	09
23	Meghalaya	12	07
24	Mizoram	8	04
25	Nagaland	11	05
26	Odisha	31	79
27	Puducherry (UT)	4	04
28	Punjab	23	52
29	Rajasthan	35	86
30	Sikkim	4	02
31	Tamil Nadu *	-	49
32	Telangana	15	36
33	Tripura	8	12
34	Uttar Pradesh	76	130
35	Uttarakhand	13	48
36	West Bengal	18	62
TOTAL		666	1362

* The State of Tamil Nadu (38 Districts) has not yet accepted the Navodaya Vidyalaya Scheme.

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District-wise details of functional KVS and JNV Schools under Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan and Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti in Uttar Pradesh

S. No.	Districts	JNV	KVS
1	Agra	01	04
2	Aligarh	01	01
3	Ambedkar Nagar	01	--
4	Amethi	01	02
5	Auriya	01	01
6	Ayodhya	01	01
7	Azamgarh	01	01
8	Badaun	01	01
9	Bagpat	01	02
10	Bahraich	01	01
11	Ballia	01	01
12	Balrampur	01	01
13	Banda	01	--
14	Barabanki	01	01
15	Bareilly	01	06
16	Basti	01	01
17	Bhadohi	01	01
18	Bijnor	01	01
19	Bulandshahar	01	01
20	Chandauli	01	02
21	Chitrakoot	01	01
22	Deoria	01	02
23	Etah	01	01
24	Etawah	01	01
25	Farrukhabad	01	01
26	Fatehpur	01	01
27	Firozabad	01	01
28	Gautam Buddh Nagar	01	04
29	Ghaziabad	01	04
30	Ghazipur	01	01
31	Gonda	01	02
32	Gorakhpur	01	03
33	Hammirpur	01	01
34	Hapur (Panchsheel Nagar)	01	01
35	Hardoi	01	01
36	Hathras	01	01
37	Jyotiba Phule Nagar	01	--
38	Jalaun	01	01
39	Jaunpur	01	01
40	Jhansi	01	05

S. No.	Districts	JNV	KVS
41	Kannauj	01	--
42	Kanpur Dehat	01	01
43	Kanpur Nagar	01	09
44	Kasganj	01	--
45	Kaushambi	01	--
46	Kushinagar	01	01
47	Lakhimpuri Khiri	01	02
48	Lalitpur	01	02
49	Lucknow	01	10
50	Maharajganj	01	01
51	Mahoba	01	01
52	Mainpuri	01	--
53	Mathura	01	03
54	Mau	01	01
55	Meerut	01	03
56	Mirzapur	01	01
57	Moradabad	01	01
58	Muzaffarnagar	01	01
59	Pilibhit	01	01
60	Pratapgarh	01	--
61	Prayagraj	01	09
62	Raebareli	01	03
63	Rampur	01	01
64	Saharanpur	01	01
65	Sambhal	01	--
66	Sant Kabir Nagar	01	--
67	Shahjahanpur	01	02
68	Shamli (Prabuddh Nagar)	01	01
69	Shrawasti	01	01
70	Sidharthnagar	01	01
71	Sitapur	02	01
72	Sonebhadra	01	03
73	Sultanpur	01	01
74	Unnao	01	01
75	Varanasi	01	05
