

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 916
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.12.2025

DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE IN TRIBAL DOMINATED AREAS

916. DR. INDRA HANG SUBBA:

Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has schemes to provide digital infrastructure in the tribal dominated areas, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government provides assistance through any scheme or scholarship to tribal students to avail coaching for the NEET examination, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of districts in the North Eastern Region that have functional Eklavya Model Residential Schools, State-wise; and
- (d) the number of districts in the State of Sikkim that are deprived of Eklavya Model Residential Schools and the relevant details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TRIBAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI DURGADAS UIKEY)

- (a) To strengthen digital education, smart classrooms have been provided in EMRSs. At present, 262 Smart class rooms have been provided in EMRSs.
- (b) NESTS is providing free coaching to all science stream students through online mode under ENABLE Program and offline coaching through three Centre of Excellence for JEE/NEET preparation.
- (c) In the North Eastern Region, the details of functional EMRSs in the North Eastern Region (NER) are as under:

S.No.	State	No. of Functional EMRS
1	Arunachal Pradesh	5
2	Assam	6
3	Manipur	5
4	Meghalaya	2
5	Mizoram	11
6	Nagaland	3
7	Sikkim	4
8	Tripura	12
	Total	48

- (d) Each of the four districts i.e. Gyalshing, Mangam, Namchi and Pakyong in Sikkim have one Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) sanctioned and functional.
