

Pratham Partnerships with Government Primary Schools (Grade 1-2)



1. Madhya Pradesh

The state education department in Madhya Pradesh initiated a state-wide partnership with Pratham to improve the learning levels in Grade 1-2 and lagging behind children of Grade 3-5 in 2014. The intervention is currently underway in all 51 districts of Madhya Pradesh.

2. West Bengal

A tripartite partnership with the Government of West Bengal, UNICEF and Pratham began in 2015 to strengthen Early Grade Reading and Numeracy (EGRaN) across West Bengal. A teaching-learning package was jointly developed that aimed at providing special focus on developing reading and numeracy skills for children in Grade 1 and 2 across the state.

While the program is currently being implemented in 22000 schools across 19 districts, Malda district has been adopted as one demonstration district for the EGRaN program in which Pratham teams with UNICEF support and work closely with school teachers.

3. States with Grade 1 & 2 components along with learning improvement initiatives in other grades

Although the main focus of many of the Pratham-government partnership programs for improving learning is in Grade 3-5, some of these partnerships also have a component of strengthening the foundational skills of children in Grade 1 and 2. In 2016-17, there are state-wide partnerships in Jharkhand and district partnerships in Uttar Pradesh (Auraiya), Chhattisgarh (Dhamtari), Assam (Kamrup) and Telangana (Khammam).