

Government of India
Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region

RAJYA SABHA
Starred Question No.*253

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Question
New industries in the NE region

253 Shri Sandosh Kumar P:

Will the Minister of Development of North Eastern Region be pleased to state:

- (a) the list of new industries started in the North Eastern region and the total investment made in the industrial sector of the region since 2020;
- (b) the number of jobs created in each State in the region since 2020;
- (c) the names of private companies who invested in the region since 2020, State-wise;
- (d) the number of MSME units started in the region since 2020, State-wise; and
- (e) the special initiatives taken and funds allocated for the development of NE region since 2020?

ANSWER
The Minister of the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region
[Shri G. Kishan Reddy]

- (a) to (e) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (e) of Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. *253 for answer on 23rd March, 2023

(a) Setting up of industries being a State subject, the primary responsibility of industrial development rests with the State Governments. Government of India supplements their efforts through various schemes to promote industrialization in the country, including the North Eastern Region (NER). The Government of India, in partnership with State Governments, has ushered in peace and stability in the region. The Government of India has also invested heavily in infrastructure and connectivity to create a conducive environment for States to invite private investment and generate employment.

(b) As per the Periodic Labour Force Survey conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, Government of India, the State-wise details of Worker Population Ratio (WPR) for persons aged 15 years and above for the NER States for 2020-21 is - Arunachal Pradesh – 48.5%; Assam – 50.5%; Manipur – 41.0%; Meghalaya – 62.0%; Mizoram – 54.5%; Nagaland – 49.5%; Sikkim – 71.3%; and Tripura – 53.8%. The data for 2021-22 is – Arunachal Pradesh – 47.1%; Assam – 52.1%; Manipur – 40.6%; Meghalaya – 60.5%; Mizoram – 48.9%; Nagaland – 58.4%; Sikkim – 69.9%; and Tripura – 50.6%.

(c) & (d) Since 2020, a total of 1,50,519 micro, small and medium enterprise (MSME) units in NER, registered under Udyam portal of Ministry of MSME, have started functioning. State-wise break up of these MSMEs is as under:

Sl. No.	State	Total MSME
1	Arunachal Pradesh	3,570
2	Assam	93,035
3	Manipur	20,744
4	Meghalaya	4,646
5	Mizoram	6,502
6	Nagaland	6,657
7	Sikkim	2,777
8	Tripura	12,588
	Total	1,50,519

(e) Central Ministries/Departments, unless specifically exempted, set apart 10% of their Gross Budgetary Support (GBS) for the NER. The allocation (Revised Estimates) in 2020-21 was Rs. 51,270.90 crore; in 2021-22 it was Rs. 68,440.26 crore; and in 2022-23 it is Rs.72,540.28 crore.

Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (MDoNER) is implementing the scheme i.e. Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North East Region (PM-DevINE) which was announced as a Central Sector Scheme in the Union Budget 2022-23. The Scheme has a total outlay of Rs. 6,600 crore for the 4 years (2022-23 to 2025-26). MDoNER, under the North East Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS), is implementing various projects for the development of NER. Through the North Eastern Council (NEC), MDoNER also implements the Schemes of NEC and North East Road Sector Development Scheme (NERSDS). Between 2020-21 to 2022-23 (upto February, 2023) the funds allocated (Revised Estimates) under the schemes are Rs.1698.18 crore under NESIDS; Rs.1697.73 crore under schemes of NEC; and Rs.670.65 crore under NERSDS. MDoNER has also provided Rs.120 crore from 2020-21 to 2022-23 to the North Eastern Development Finance Corporation (NEDFi) in the form of interest free loan under the scheme of "Loan to NEDFi" renamed to "North East Enterprises Development Scheme (NEEDS)" in 2021-22.

The North East Industrial Development Scheme (NEIDS), 2017, implemented by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), covers manufacturing and service sectors. A total of 858 industrial units have been registered under NEIDS, 2017 and Rs.164.05 crore of subsidy amount has been released to the industrial units from 01.04.2017 till 17.03.2023.

Ministry of MSME is implementing schemes for the development of existing and prospective entrepreneurs in the country, including in the NER, and the funds respectively sanctioned/released are-Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme under which, Rs. 807.71 crore has been sanctioned/released; Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme under which, the Margin Money disbursed, is Rs. 461.09 crore; Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) under which, Rs.154.56 crore has been disbursed since 2020; Credit Guarantee Scheme under which, a total of Rs. 13,273.59 crore worth of guarantees have been approved since 01.01.2000, including Rs. 2,809.11 crore in 2022-23 (till February, 2023). The Government of India has also announced the scheme for Promotion of MSMEs in NER and Sikkim with a budget outlay of Rs. 295.00 crore for 2021-2026 and Self Reliant India Fund to infuse Rs. 50,000 crore as equity funding in the MSMEs across the country including the NER, which have the potential and viability to grow and become large units.
