## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1230 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2023

#### MITIGATING SKILL DEFICIENCIES AMONG MSMES

1230. SMT. SULATA DEO: SHRI NIRANJAN BISHI:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the actions Government has taken to recognize and mitigate the skill deficiencies that exist among MSMEs in the State of Odisha;
- (b) the measures implemented to customize the skill development initiatives to meet the distinct demands and prerequisites of MSMEs functioning in the State of Odisha;
- (c) the measures Government has implemented to promote technology adoption among MSMEs in Odisha and guarantee their smooth assimilation into the digital ecosystem; and
- (d) the collaborative efforts or partnerships which have been established with industry associations, educational institutions and technology institutions/providers to augment the skill and technology development?

### **ANSWER**

# MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA)

- (a) & (b): The Ministry of MSME is implementing various schemes and programmes to cater to the skilling needs of MSMEs in the country including the State of Odisha. The schemes and programmes, *inter alia*, include Tool Rooms and Technical Institutions scheme, Technology Centre Systems Programme, Assistance to Training Institutions scheme, National Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe Hub scheme, Coir Vikas Yojana, Entrepreneurship Skill Development Scheme, A Scheme for Promotion of Innovation, Rural Industries and Entrepreneurship, etc. under which various types of training programmes are conducted for skilling of youth and re-skilling of already employed manpower.
- (c): The Ministry of MSME has set up one Tool Room and Technical Institution, namely, the Central Tool Room and Training Centre (CTTC), Bhubaneswar and its Extension Centres (ECs) in the State of Odisha to promote technology adoption among MSMEs. These Centres conduct various skill development training programmes based on the provision of well structured modular, hands on practically oriented, training for the educated youth and technicians of industries. All courses are regularly updated to keep abreast with global technological advances for smooth assimilation into the digital ecosystem. This Ministry also conducts various training programmes for skill/entrepreneurship development through Khadi and Village Industries Commission, National Small Industries Corporation, Coir Board and National Institute for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises and field offices of Development Commissioner, MSME.
- (d): These Centres work in close association with the local industry associations and academic institutions. CTTC, Bhubaneswar has constituted MSME industry consortium with local industry and signed MOUs with various institutions. National Institute for Micro, Medium and Small Enterprises, Hyderabad has collaborated with CSIR-Institute of Minerals and Material Technology and ASBM University at Bhubaneswar to conduct Advanced Management Development Programmes.

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