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ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRY

1555. SMT. SANGEETA YADAV:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Ministry has evolved any mechanism to bridge the demand-supply of trained human power and entrepreneurship development in the country;
- (b) if so, the details of schemes implemented by the Ministry in the last five years and the current year for entrepreneurship development and the achievements thereof;
- (c) the number of beneficiaries from the schemes/programmes being run by the Ministry during the last five years and the current year for entrepreneurship development; and
- (d) the details of funds disbursed and utilised for entrepreneurship development in the last five years and the current year, year-wise and State-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a), (b) & (c) The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is responsible for co-ordination of all Skill Development efforts across the country, removal of disconnect between demand and supply of skilled manpower, building the vocational and technical training framework, skill up-gradation, building of new skills and innovative thinking not only for existing jobs but also jobs that are to be created. Further the Ministry facilitates entrepreneurship generation, improves overall productivity for enterprises, and catalyses economic growth. The details of various initiatives taken by MSDE to bridge the demand-supply of trained human power and entrepreneurship development in the country are as under:

- (i) **Economic Empowerment of Women Entrepreneurs and Start-ups by Women (WEE)** project was supported by 'Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit' (GIZ) on behalf of the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) in partnership with the MSDE to improve the framework conditions for women-led enterprises in India. The project aimed to pilot incubation and acceleration programmes for women micro entrepreneurs, enabling them to start new businesses and scale up existing enterprises in the States of Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, and Eight North Eastern States of the Country. Under the title of 'Her&Now', the WEE project had carried out a film and media campaign to share the stories of successful Women Entrepreneurs and to foster a positive mindset change on gender roles and norms in the society. The duration of the project was from August 2018 to January 2023. Under the project, over 908 Women Entrepreneurs have been supported under the project under both incubation and acceleration support programmes. The State-wise/region-wise number of

women entrepreneurs supported under the project under both incubation and acceleration support programmes since 2018 is as under:

Region	Partner	No. of women entrepreneurs supported
NER – 8 states	Dhriiti – The Courage Within	233
Rajasthan – 9 districts	Startup Oasis	105
Telangana – 26 districts	WE Hub	109
Maharashtra – 3 districts	Mann Deshi Foundation	120
Uttar Pradesh – 4 districts	Empower Foundation	341
Total		908

- (ii) **Entrepreneurship Development in Six Holy Cities:** The project aimed to catalyse local entrepreneurial activities through involvement of potential and existing entrepreneurs, unemployed youth, college dropouts, youth from backward community etc. The project was implemented through National Institute of Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD) and Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), autonomous institutes under the MSDE. The details of number of participants trained and the new enterprises setup and enterprises scaled-up under the project are as under:

SNo.	District (State)	No. of Participants Trained	No. of New Enterprises Established	Scaled Up Enterprise
1.	Bodh Gaya (Bihar)	939	603	487
2.	Kollur (Karnataka)	481	552	395
3.	Pandharpur (Maharashtra)	4,171	158	293
4.	Puri (Odisha)	2,780	651	561
5.	Haridwar (Uttarakhand)	1,438	209	269
6.	Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh)	2,088	309	527
	Total	11,897	2482	2532

- (iii) **PM YUVA Pilot Project:** MSDE implemented PM-YUVA Pilot Project (from November, 2019 to March, 2022) towards creating an enabling ecosystem through entrepreneurship education, training, advocacy and easy access to entrepreneurship network. It focused on students/trainees and alumni coming out from Skilling ecosystem {i.e. Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), Polytechnics, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) and Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSSs)}. The project was implemented through organisations having experience in entrepreneurship development, entrepreneurship training as well as mentoring and handholding in Ten States and Two Union Territories (viz. Assam, Bihar, Kerala, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal, Delhi and Puducherry). The details of entrepreneurial activities and beneficiaries covered under the PM-YUVA Project are as under:

SNo.	Activity	Total Number Beneficiaries reached
1.	Entrepreneurship Awareness Program (Students' Orientation)	34,760
2.	Community Awareness Program	5,003

3.	Entrepreneurship Development Program	17,797
4.	Training of Trainers (Faculty Facilitator Training)	443
5.	Faculty Mentor Training	227
6.	Mentoring Camp	3,951
	Grand Total	62,181

- (iv) **Strengthening the Entrepreneurial Climate through Capacity Building, Incubation Support, Mentoring, and Handholding:** NIESBUD, with the support of the Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) Programme of the MSDE, is undertaking a project to strengthen the entrepreneurship ecosystem for various marginalized sections of society. The project aims to create, foster, and promote the spirit of entrepreneurship among different target groups through Capacity Building, Incubation Support, Mentoring, and Handholding. Till date, 20,915 beneficiaries have received training under the programme.
- (v) **Entrepreneurship Development among Jail Inmates:** MSDE through NIESBUD is implementing a project titled "Promoting Entrepreneurship Development among Jail Inmates: Value-added skill up gradation, product innovation & development; and Strengthening of Livelihood Business Incubation Centre at Jails in Uttar Pradesh." This project receives support from the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and aims to create, foster, and promote the spirit of entrepreneurship among the Jail Inmates through Capacity Building, Mentoring, Handholding, and Incubation Support. The project has been successfully implemented at Nari Bandi Niketan, Lucknow, Model Jail, Lucknow, and Central Jail, Varanasi. Till date, 460 beneficiaries have been trained under the programme.
- (vi) **Organizing Workshops in Artisan Melas And Haats:** NIESBUD is implementing a project to organize workshops for capacity building and provide entrepreneurial knowledge to artisans during Melas and Haats. Under this initiative, 500 artisans have benefited till date.
- (vii) **Creating Entrepreneurial Climate through Training of Trainers and Entrepreneurship Development Programme in Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS):** NIESBUD is implementing a project for Creating Entrepreneurial Climate through Training of Trainers (ToT) and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) for the trainees of Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS). The project has two components (i) Trainers Training Programme for 2,000 trainers of JSS; and (ii) EDP to impart training among 4,000 JSS Trainees. The project aims creating, fostering and promoting the spirit of entrepreneurship among the various target groups through Capacity Building, Incubation Support, Mentoring and Handholding. Till date, 1,662 beneficiaries have benefited from the Training of Trainers (TOT) program, and 3,311 beneficiaries have benefited from EDP.
- (viii) **Pilot Project for Entrepreneurship Development Program:** NIESBUD is implementing a Pilot Project for Entrepreneurship Development Program in 10 States, which aims to create, foster and promote the spirit of entrepreneurship among the target groups through Entrepreneurship Development Programme, Mentoring and Handholding support. So far, 4,430 beneficiaries have benefited from the project.
- (d) The details of funds disbursed and utilised for entrepreneurship development in the last five years and the current year is placed in **Annexure-I**.

Annexure-I

The year-wise details of funds disbursed and utilised for entrepreneurship development in the last five years and the current year is as under:

(Amount in Rs.)

S No.	Project	2018 – 19		2019 – 20		2020 – 21		2021 – 22		2022 – 23		2023 – 24	
		Fund Disbursed	Fund Utilised	Fund Disbursed	Fund Utilised	Fund Disbursed	Fund Utilised	Fund Disbursed	Fund Utilised	Fund Disbursed	Fund Utilised	Fund Disbursed	Fund Utilised
1.	Pilot project on Entrepreneurship Development in Holy Cities through NIESBUD	-	-	3,00,00,000	2,78,945	2,00,00,000	2,30,92,010*	-	-	-	1,33,149*	-	47,05,840*
2.	Pilot project on Entrepreneurship Development in Holy Cities through IIE	-	-	2,00,00,000	20,52,916	3,00,00,000	1,39,04,715	-	72,69,920*	-	1,74,61,988*	-	93,10,461*
2	Strengthening Entrepreneurial Climate through Capacity Building, Incubation Support, Mentoring and Handholding sanctioned under SANKALP Scheme	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,76,24,903	5,44,606	9,60,41,505	5,77,87,060	-	5,08,98,185*
3	Entrepreneurship Development among Jail Inmates	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,54,00,000	-	-	47,05,799*	-	5,90,263*
4	Organising Workshops In Artisan Melas And Haats	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,24,000	8,49,905	-	1,18,225*
5	Creating Entrepreneurial Climate through Training of Trainers and Entrepreneurship Development Programme in Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,75,51,750	1,61,81,857	-	50,32,152*
6	Pilot Project for Entrepreneurship Development Program	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,34,62,400	1,60,000	-	2,17,32,832*
7	Pradhan Mantri YUVA Yojana	-	2,82,06,973*	-	3,07,35,453*	-	4,63,63,436*	-	5,70,67,961*	-	-	-	-

*Against unspent balance of previous year(s) allocated to autonomous institutes of the MSDE.
