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ACHIEVEMENT OF SMILE AND PM-DAKSH SCHEME

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:-

- (a) the current status of Survey and Identification of beneficiaries of the SMILE scheme;
- (b) list of States/UTs where Transgender Protection Cell has been established;
- (c) if not, reasons therefor;
- (d) the overall achievements of PM-DAKSH scheme; and
- (e) total scholarship provided to transgender students of West Bengal?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SHRI A. NARAYANASWAMY)

(a) SMILE scheme have two sub-schemes namely “Central sector scheme for comprehensive rehabilitation for welfare of transgender persons” and “Central sector scheme comprehensive rehabilitation of persons engaged in act of begging”.

No Survey and Identification of beneficiaries has been done in SMILE scheme so far.

(b) and (c) Transgender Protection Cell have been setup by States of Chhattisgarh, West Bengal, Rajasthan, Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim.

(d) Pradhan Mantri Dakshta Aur Kushalta Sampann Hitgrahi (PM-DAKSH) Scheme was launched in Financial Year 2020-21 by Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE) is a Central Sector Scheme for skilling marginalized persons of target group.

The Overall achievements of PM DAKSH Scheme:

Financial Year	Achievements	
	Physical (No. of trainees)	Financial (Rs. in crore)
2020-21	32097	40.87
2021-22	42002	66.54
2022-23	33021	55.90
Total	107120	163.31

(e) Scholarship to transgender students of West Bengal may be treated as NIL.
