

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 109
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2024

NEW SCHEME FOR MSMEs

109. SHRI MADAN RATHORE:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that a new scheme was prepared for MSMEs in 2023;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that entrepreneurs from all over the country had also demanded for relaxation in the said scheme;
- (d) if so, whether any action was taken by Government regarding those demands; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) & (b): The PM Vishwakarma Scheme was announced by the Hon'ble Finance Minister in the Annual Union Budget 2023-24 on 01.02.2023 and launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 17.09.2023. The Scheme aims to provide end-to-end support to artisans and craftspeople who work with their hands and tools. The Scheme components include recognition through PM Vishwakarma Certificate and ID Card, Skill Upgradation, Toolkit Incentive, Credit Support, Incentive for Digital Transactions and Marketing Support.

(c) to (e): The contours of the Scheme were finalized based on extensive consultations held with stakeholders, including artisans, craftspeople, Central Government Ministries and Departments, State/UT Governments, MSMEs, Industry Associations, NGOs, Banks, etc.
