GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1875 ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024

OBJECTIVES OF THE 'SKILL ON WHEELS' SCHEME

1875 # SHRI NEERAJ DANGI:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the objectives of the 'Skill on Wheels' scheme by Government;

(b) the type of subjects in which training is being imparted to the youth/women to empower them through this scheme and the time by when the same is targeted to be completed;

(c) the manner in which the said scheme is being implemented among the requirements of the industry and unemployed youth; and

(d) the details of youth/women currently benefitting from this scheme, State-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) The National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE), has been fostering collaborations between the public and private sectors to drive innovation and growth in India's skill development ecosystem and has introduced the 'Skill on Wheels' program in partnership with a private organization under their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative. This program is being implemented in six states namely Bihar, Jharkhand, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and Uttar Pradesh. It is designed to empower the youth of India and ensuring that individuals in remote areas have access to skill development training.

Additionally, MSDE is implementing a World Bank loan assisted scheme - Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) - which aims to enhance quality and scale of short-term skill training by strengthening institutions, improving market connectivity and promoting the inclusion of marginalized sections of society. Under SANKALP, the Ministry provides State Incentive Grants (SIG) to the States and Union Territories for undertaking skill development interventions aligned to their specific needs. Under this scheme, States such as Assam, Bihar, Karnataka, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tamil Nadu are implementing interventions such as Mobile Skill Van / Skill Yatra with the objective of bringing skill development initiatives to the doorstep of underserved and hard-to-reach communities.

(b) As a part of the Skill on Wheels program implemented by NSDC, skill trainings have been provided in job roles like Retail & In-store Promoter, Call Centre Executive – Outbound / Inbound Call, Digital Literacy and Financial Literacy. Under the Mobile Skill Van initiatives through SANKALP, skill trainings have been imparted in job roles covering Self-Employed Tailoring, Baking, Plumbing, Electrician, Stone Masonry and Tiling, Nano Entrepreneurs, Tyre Fitting and Maintenance, and Street Food Vending.

(c) Under these initiatives, demand driven trainings are provided based on local requirements. These are implemented through Short Term Trainings (STT) and/or Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) certification. Additionally, awareness generation amongst youth on skill programs is undertaken and career counseling is provided to match the expectation of the youth with available career opportunities.

State	Youth benefitted under Skill on Wheels Programme of NSDC	Youth benefitted under Mobile Skill van / Skill Yatra initiative under SANKALP	Total youth benefitted (NSDC+ SANKALP)	Total women benefitted (NSDC+ SANKALP)
Assam	-	10,669	10,669	5,514
Bihar	2,744	3,388	6,132	2,223
Jharkhand	1,513	-	1,513	969
Karnataka	-	285	285	169
Maharashtra	2,910	-	2,910	1,219
Nagaland	-	801	801	201
Rajasthan	2,137	-	2,137	1,398
Sikkim	-	970	970	530
Tamil Nadu	2,468	178	2,646	1,668
Uttar Pradesh	2,438	-	2,438	1,060
Total	14,210	16,291	30,501	14,951

(d) The state-wise details of youth/women benefitted within these initiatives are as follows:
