

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
RAJYA SABHA
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ANSWERED ON 27/11/2024

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP PROMOTION SCHEME

279 SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

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

- (a) the total number of enrollments in the last five years under National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS), State-wise;
- (b) the total number of apprentices who completed the training in the last five years;
- (c) whether Government have a concrete strategy to achieve the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) target of enrolling 46 lakh apprentices by 2025-26; and
- (d) the steps Government is taking to enhance collaboration with industries and ensure apprenticeship programs are aligned with market demands?

ANSWER

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

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(a) National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) aims to promote apprenticeship training in the country, by providing partial stipend support to the apprentices engaged under the Apprentice Act, 1961 and Rules there under. National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) was launched in August 2016. The scheme was extended to continue as NAPS-2 from 2022-23. A total of 27.73 lakh apprentices have been engaged in last 5 years under the scheme. State-wise break up is at Annexure.

(b) The number of apprentices who have completed training during the last 5 years is currently 14.20 lakh and another 1.97 lakh of them are undergoing training.

(c) and (d): Since the launch of NAPS, the Ministry's effort has resulted increase in the number of Apprentices from 1.11 Lakh in 2016-17 to 9.31 Lakh in 2023-24. A target of 46 lakh youth under NAPS-2 is for the period 2022-23 to 2025-26. Few significant steps that are enabling apprenticeship engagement are :

- The functionality of Apprenticeship Portal has been enhanced as per the user requirement thereby enabling ease of process.
- Guidelines for National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme-2 (NAPS-2) issued.
- Guidelines for Basic Training Provider (BTP) and Third Party Aggregators have been revised.

- Industries have been given the opportunity to offer relevant Optional trades/courses of six (6) / nine (9)/ twelve (12) months duration.

In terms of media and advocacy, Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Mela (PMNAM) as a platform provides awareness to the youth on various apprenticeship opportunities existing across the participating establishments/industries. States/UTs are organizing PMNAM across the country on a monthly basis. It is held on every 2nd Monday in 1/3rd of total number of districts in the state so that all districts are covered once in a quarter, and four times in a year. Till now, PMNAM has been conducted in 4,426 locations across India witnessing participation of 5.29 lakh candidates and 32,270 establishments from June 2022 to October 2024.

To further sustain the upward growth in apprentice engagement, the following activities have been initiated:

- National Steering Committee (NSC) and a Scheme Monitoring and Review Committee (SMRC) for monitoring the progress of the scheme at the central level and State Implementation Review Committee (SIRC) are constituted by every State/UT under NAPS-2.
- Workshops, seminars, webinars, etc. with the stakeholders to encourage candidates, establishments, industry associations/chambers of commerce, industry clusters with a special focus on participation from MSMEs, academic institutions, Skill India training partners, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs), ITIs, JSSs, etc.
- DO Letters from Ministry have been sent to Principal Secretaries of all states, NIFTY 500 and Top CSR 500 companies
- The list of clusters covered under Cluster Development Program (CDP) of MSME have been shared with the States. States to sensitize the Industry clusters for active engagement of apprentices in coordination with RDSDEs and SSCs.
- DO letters from Ministry have been sent to other Central Ministries requesting them to encourage establishments falling under their purview to start engaging apprentices.
- Directorate General of Training have been requested to issue necessary instructions to ITI Principals to facilitate registration of 15 Lakh ITI passed-outs for apprenticeship opportunities.
- Engagement with Various Industries Associations and Central Public Sector Units (CPSUs) have been initiated.
- Regional Directorate of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (RDSDEs), States, Sector Skill Council (SSCs) and Third Party Aggregators (TPAs) play an important role in the overall progress of the apprenticeship engagement and regular reviews are conducted with all the concerned stakeholders.

Annexure**State-wise apprentices engagement under National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) in last 5 years.**

State	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	Grand Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Andaman And Nicobar Islands		3	9	41	48	101
Andhra Pradesh	3,860	4,394	15,722	16,203	21,701	61,880
Arunachal Pradesh		3	18	42	65	128
Assam	2,204	2,452	14,006	9,661	8,173	36,496
Bihar	1,155	1,237	6,476	5,543	5,317	19,728
Chandigarh	346	280	813	671	1,227	3,337
Chhattisgarh	5,637	1,653	2,660	4,881	5,259	20,090
Delhi	4,937	7,784	17,799	15,818	15,956	62,294
Goa	1,720	2,032	3,432	4,406	11,882	23,472
Gujarat	45,107	56,911	69,567	76,226	83,955	3,31,766
Haryana	18,920	31,853	42,343	62,865	66,720	2,22,701
Himachal Pradesh	1,898	1,767	5,669	6,825	10,212	26,371
Jammu And Kashmir	304	260	832	989	859	3,244
Jharkhand	2,133	5,034	8,258	9,152	11,882	36,459
Karnataka	13,764	17,276	42,084	58,523	78,456	2,10,103
Kerala	3,899	6,426	8,975	11,275	13,104	43,679
Ladakh		6	18	28	66	118
Lakshadweep		18	4	9	6	37
Madhya Pradesh	6,942	9,522	17,093	21,205	22,707	77,469
Maharashtra	36,617	71,475	1,46,865	1,85,999	2,63,245	7,04,201
Manipur	16	11	90	32	18	167
Meghalaya	51	105	117	181	212	666
Mizoram	4	1	4	4	12	25

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
Nagaland	14	1	27	22	15	79
Odisha	3,391	3,681	8,296	10,458	10,755	36,581
Puducherry	481	299	1,090	1,343	2,469	5,682
Punjab	2,856	4,459	11,659	15,361	14,761	49,096
Rajasthan	4,073	6,417	9,473	15,204	18,230	53,397
Sikkim	128	162	308	202	298	1,098
Tamil Nadu	13,602	24,912	49,929	72,311	1,01,553	2,62,307
Telangana	9,654	13,996	38,454	31,821	37,774	1,31,699
The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman AND Diu	97	597	1,282	1,006	2,878	5,860
Tripura	437	255	244	368	383	1,687
Uttar Pradesh	12,584	19,955	38,039	56,946	71,504	1,99,028
Uttarakhand	2,489	4,360	9,986	16,436	21,058	54,329
West Bengal	6,149	7,370	18,791	26,109	29,538	87,957
Grand Total	2,05,469	3,06,967	5,90,432	7,38,166	9,32,298	27,73,332
