

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 75
To BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025

**POSSIBILITIES OF EXTENSION OF PRIME MINISTER'S INTERNSHIP
SCHEME TO MSME SECTOR**

*75. SHRI DHAIRYASHIL MOHAN PATIL:

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

- (a) whether the Prime Minister's Internship Scheme (PMIS) has also been extended to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) too;
- (b) if not, whether Government proposes to implement the scheme to MSMEs sector in future; and
- (c) the potential benefits and expected impacts in case of extension of the scheme to MSMEs?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR MICRO SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI JITAN RAM MANJHI)

- (a) to (c): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. *75 FOR ANSWER ON 10.02.2025.

(a) to (c): No Sir. The Prime Minister's Internship Scheme (PMIS/Scheme) announced in the Budget 2024-25, aims to provide internship opportunities to one crore youth in top 500 companies in five years. As an initiation to this Scheme, a Pilot Project of the Scheme targeted at providing 1.25 lakh internship opportunities has been launched on 03.10.2024 for the Financial Year 2024-25. The top 500 companies have been identified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) on the basis of their average CSR expenditure of the last three years. Apart from this, any other company/ bank/ financial institution desirous of participating in the Scheme, may do so with the approval of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), which would take a view keeping in view under represented sectors and areas in the above mentioned 500 companies. The list of the Partner Companies are available at <https://pminternship.mca.gov.in>.
