

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COAL

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO # 2588**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.03.2025**

**MoU between ATDC and SECL**

**2588 # Shri Mithlesh Kumar:**

Will the Minister of *Coal* be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the selection criteria of 400 candidates for the vocational training programme under the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) and Apparel Training and Design Centre (ATDC) and the number of SC/ST candidates to be benefited from it;
- (b) the existing mechanism to track the success of this vocational training initiative in terms of employment and self-employment;
- (c) whether there is any plan to extend this initiative to other coal regions of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**  
**MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES**  
**(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)**

**(a):** The details of selection criteria of 400 candidates for the Vocational Training Programme under the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between South Eastern Coalfields Limited (SECL) and Apparel Training and Design Centre (ATDC) are as under:

1. Candidate must be from within 25 KM from Project Sites.
2. Must be in the age group of 18-40 years.
3. Possesses 8th and 12th pass certificate for Self Employed Tailor and Apparel Manufacturing Technology Course respectively.
4. Reservation for candidates from Schedule Caste (SC)/ Schedule Tribe (ST)/ Other Backward Classes(OBC)/ Person with Disability (PwD)/ Economically Weaker Section (EWS) / Others as per extant rules.

**(b):** ATDC has Memorandum of Undertaking (MoU) with 71 leading garment exporters of India and Apparel Export Promotion Council to provide employment opportunities to trained candidates. Further, the details of trained candidates shall be maintained by ATDC and SECL for employed and self-employed trainee.

**(c) & (d):** Yes. In addition to SECL, this initiative has been extended in other subsidiaries companies of the CIL, the details are provided as under:

- **Central Coalfields Ltd. (CCL):** 325 candidates has been incorporated in the Annual CSR Action Plan for the Financial Year (FY) 2025-26.
- **Western Coalfields Ltd. (WCL):** MoU between WCL and ATDC has been signed and for current financial year 2024-25, 210 candidates have been selected.
- **Eastern Coalfields Ltd. (ECL):** ECL has selected 120 unemployed youths for training in Rajmahal Area.

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