GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3416 ANSWERED ON TUESDAY THE 1st APRIL, 2025

Prime Minister Internship Scheme

QUESTION

3416. Shri Ryaga Krishnaiah.

Will the Minister of Corporate Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) the funds allocated by the Ministry for the Internship Scheme in Budget 2024-25 and 2025-26;
- (b) the number of applications received on the Internship Portal as of February 2025;
- (c) whether the Ministry has taken steps for awareness of the scheme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS AND MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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- (a): Budget Estimate (BE) of Rs. 2,000 crore and Revised Estimate (RE) of Rs. 380 crore have been allocated in the Budget for the FY 2024-25. Budget Estimate (BE) of Rs. 10831.07 crore have been proposed for the PM Internship Scheme, in the Budget for the FY 2025-26.
- (b): The Prime Minister's Internship Scheme (PMIS) was announced in the Budget 2024-25. It aims to provide internship opportunities to one crore youth in top 500 companies in five years. As an initiation to this Scheme, Ministry of Corporate Affairs has launched a Pilot Project of the Scheme on 3rd October, 2024, which is targeted to provide 1.25 lakh internship opportunities to the youth. In the round I of the PM Internship Scheme Pilot Project, which commenced from October, 2024, 1.27 lakh internship opportunities were provided by the companies. Against this, more than 6.21 lakh applications were received.

Round II of the Pilot Project commenced in January 2025 and companies have posted more than 1.18 lakh opportunities (both new and edited unfilled opportunities of previous round) across the country. As on 26th March, 2025 approximately 3.20 lakh applications have been received in the ongoing Round II of the Pilot Project.

(c) & (d): The Ministry of Corporate Affairs is carrying out an active Information, Education, and Communication (IEC) campaign across the country through various channels, such as print advertisements, YouTube campaigns, radio jingles, and social media campaigns, to publicize the scheme. Additionally, the Ministry is actively collaborating with various stakeholders, including state governments, central government ministries and departments, and industry associations, to spread awareness about the scheme which includes organization of camps in various educational institutes across the country, including colleges, ITI institutes, etc. Approximately 100 camps have been organized across the country as part of Round II of the PMIS Pilot Project.