GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY DEPARTMENT FOR PROMOTION OF INDUSTRY AND INTERNAL TRADE RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 542. TO BE ANSWERED ON FRIDAY, THE 07TH FEBRUARY, 2025.

STARTUP INDIA SCHEME

542. SHRI SANJEEV ARORA:

Will the Minister of Commerce and Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of startups supported under the Startup India Scheme over the last five years along with data on sectors, geographic distribution and funding levels, details thereof, State-wise, UT-wise;
- (b) employment generation from these startups, including the total number of jobs created and the ratio of employment for youth and women entrepreneurs; and
- (c) the future targets for scaling up the Startup India Scheme with a focus on enhancing access to venture capital and expanding digital infrastructure for startups in Tier-2 and Tier3 cities?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY (SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a): Startup India is an initiative by the Government of India. The Government, with an intent to build a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation, startups and encouraging investments in the startup ecosystem of the country launched the Startup India initiative on 16th January 2016.

As per eligibility conditions prescribed under G.S.R. notification 127 (E) dated 19th February 2019, entities are recognized as 'startups' under the Startup India initiative by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). As on 31st December 2024, 1,57,706 entities have been recognised as Startups across more than 55 industries by DPIIT.

The State/Union Territory (UT)-wise number of entities which have been recognised as Startups by DPIIT over the last five years viz 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 is placed as **Annexure-I**.

The industry-wise number of entities which have been recognised as Startups by DPIIT over the last five years viz 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 is placed as **Annexure-II**.

Under the Startup India initiative, the Government is implementing three flagship Schemes, namely, Fund of Funds for Startups (FFS), Startup India Seed Fund Scheme (SISFS) and Credit Guarantee Scheme for Startups (CGSS) to support startups across categories and sectors at various stages of their business cycle.

FFS was approved and established in 2016 to catalyze venture capital investments and is operationalized by Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), which provides capital to Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)-registered Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs) which in turn invest in startups. AIFs supported under FFS are required to invest

at least 2 times of the amount committed under FFS in startups. The State/UT-wise details of amount invested in startups by AIFs over the last five years viz. 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 is placed as **Annexure-III**.

SISFS provides financial assistance to seed stage startups through incubators. SISFS is implemented from 1st April 2021. The State/UT-wise details of amount approved to selected startups by the selected incubators over the last four years viz. 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 are placed as **Annexure-IV**.

CGSS is implemented for enabling collateral free loans to startups through eligible financial institutions [Member Institutions (MIs)]. CGSS is operationalized by the National Credit Guarantee Trustee Company (NCGTC) Limited and has been operationalized from 1st April 2023. The State/UT-wise details of loans guaranteed to startups over the last two years viz. 2023 and 2024 are placed as **Annexure-V**.

- (b): Sustained efforts by the Government under the Startup India initiative have led to an increase in the number entities which have been recognised as Startups by DPIIT to 1,57,706 as on 31st December 2024. Of these, 75,935 entities which have been recognised as Startups by DPIIT, have self-reported to have at least one- woman director/partner. Since the launch of Startup India initiative in 2016, the entities which have been recognised as Startups by DPIIT have reportedly created over 17.2 lakh direct jobs across the country.
- (c): Under Startup India initiative, the Government constantly undertakes various efforts for the development and growth of Startup ecosystem including for enhancing access to venture capital and expanding infrastructure for Startups across the country including in areas beyond metro cities.

The flagship Schemes namely, Fund of Funds for Startups (FFS), Startup India Seed Fund Scheme (SISFS) and Credit Guarantee Scheme for Startups (CGSS) support Startups at various stages of their business cycle. The Government also implements periodic exercises and programs including States' Startup Ranking, National Startup Awards, and Innovation Week which play an important role in the holistic development of the startup ecosystem. Government also encourages and supports ecosystem led initiatives such as Startup Mahakumbh which serve as a vibrant platform for stakeholders to network and collaborate. Initiatives to improve market access and enable public procurement which support startups in growing and scaling up their businesses have also been undertaken. Digital platforms such as the Startup India portal and BHASKAR enable easy access to resources and startup ecosystem collaboration. These measures are complemented by regulatory reforms and other ecosystem development events and programs.

Further, measures have been taken by the Government to expand digital infrastructure beyond metro cities. Pradhan Mantri Gramin Digital Saksharta Abhiyan (PMGDISHA) Scheme was initiated to reach digital literacy in rural households nationwide. Common Services Centres (CSCs) are offering government and business services in digital mode in rural areas through Village Level Entrepreneurs (VLEs). BharatNet project is creating network to connect all the Gram Panchayats (GPs) and Villages with broadband. Citizens across the country have also been enabled to access e-services under various initiatives, such as Unified Mobile Application for New-age Governance (UMANG), DigiLocker, e-Hospital and MyGov, etc.

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The State/UT-wise number of entities which have been recognised as startups by DPIIT over the last five years viz 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 as on 31st December 2024:

State/UT	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Andaman and	5	13	9	13	20
Nicobar Islands					
Andhra Pradesh	235	298	381	586	606
Arunachal	-	4	9	17	13
Pradesh					
Assam	119	190	285	362	347
Bihar	265	390	526	812	842
Chandigarh	55	69	81	126	102
Chhattisgarh	155	167	237	362	460
Dadra and Nagar	5	12	12	11	16
Haveli and					
Daman and Diu					
Delhi	1817	2216	2580	3161	2852
Goa	67	81	107	98	125
Gujarat	881	1728	2282	3295	3444
Haryana	830	1070	1334	1742	1731
Himachal Pradesh	41	56	120	144	145
Jammu and	64	131	170	246	275
Kashmir					
Jharkhand	165	191	239	337	331
Karnataka	1776	2156	2568	3036	3173
Kerala	710	923	1078	1296	1155
Ladakh	1	1	5	5	5
Lakshadweep	1			2	
Madhya Pradesh	427	562	898	1267	1193
Maharashtra	2736	3736	4812	5816	5737
Manipur	13	37	31	26	55
Meghalaya		9	10	18	17
Mizoram	1	2	6	13	16
Nagaland	5	7	7	22	35
Odisha	280	397	451	620	547
Puducherry	14	17	30	43	27
Punjab	146	244	294	443	407
Rajasthan	503	623	992	1445	1246
Sikkim	1	4	2	2	
Tamil Nadu	772	1107	1811	2816	2656
Telangana	819	994	1381	1760	1809
Tripura	23	12	27	23	45
Uttar Pradesh	1401	1981	2583	3432	3486
Uttarakhand	114	162	236	271	269
West Bengal	405	692	1002	1174	1107
Total	14852	20282	26596	34842	34294

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Industry	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Advertising	112	127	134	289	254
Aeronautics Aerospace &	115	211	334	423	374
Defence					
Agriculture	637	1107	1542	2267	2153
AI	300	325	305	514	922
Airport Operations	3	4	4	8	9
Analytics	102	145	109	153	120
Animation	15	13	28	42	30
AR VR (Augmented +	59	90	115	125	110
Virtual Reality)					
Architecture Interior	99	100	157	242	282
Design					
Art & Photography	44	49	97	126	140
Automotive	265	423	728	881	746
Biotechnology	11	99	122	167	188
Chemicals	121	216	294	460	448
Computer Vision	48	47	31	48	43
Construction	576	883	1438	2320	2477
Dating Matrimonial	12	14	25	23	21
Design	120	115	126	187	184
Education	947	1307	1620	1788	1649
Enterprise Software	274	289	371	506	478
Events	64	80	88	147	189
Fashion	193	242	417	747	791
Finance Technology	482	595	888	996	1024
Food & Beverages	648	1017	1471	2064	1940
Green Technology	363	318	504	680	624
Healthcare &	1420	1912	2555	3256	3031
Lifesciences					
House-Hold Services	113	101	172	279	263
Human Resources	334	383	708	879	827
Indic Language Startups	13	61	103	137	125
Internet of Things	250	227	239	235	207
IT Services	1991	2235	2744	3716	3538
Logistics	19	169	174	255	260
Marketing	373	348	453	617	564
Media & Entertainment	247	273	357	502	468
Nanotechnology	28	25	36	33	35
Non- Renewable Energy	403	766	373	324	198
Other Specialty Retailers	160	111	152	342	476
Others	93	991	1137	240	1
Passenger Experience	-	4	5	9	14

Pets & Animals	34	50	81	106	92
Professional &	801	1136	1280	1732	1875
Commercial Services					
Real Estate	125	120	258	399	451
Renewable Energy	377	521	685	1017	1082
Retail	414	408	575	701	652
Robotics	84	88	113	126	140
Safety	58	70	81	95	81
Security Solutions	155	246	298	364	379
Social Impact	89	133	138	210	186
Social Network	110	126	135	139	117
Sports	84	87	118	170	171
Technology Hardware	575	594	875	1207	1182
Telecommunication &	163	188	238	310	248
Networking					
Textiles & Apparel	204	311	457	703	765
Toys and Games	4	79	101	152	154
Transportation & Storage	290	254	330	421	482
Travel & Tourism	208	247	365	581	627
Waste Management	23	202	312	382	407
Total	14852	20282	26596	34842	34294

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State/UT	Total number of startups selected by AIFs in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024	Total amount invested in startups by AIFs in 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 (Rs. Crore)
Andhra Pradesh	2	35.60
Arunachal Pradesh	2	1.40
Assam	18	38.55
Bihar	3	140.09
Chandigarh	3	11.58
Chhattisgarh	3	54.23
Delhi	141	2733.01
Goa	2	124.39
Gujarat	23	686.06
Haryana	77	1789.47
Jammu & Kashmir	1	50.00
Jharkhand	1	7.20
Karnataka	279	5692.50
Kerala	12	240.57
Madhya Pradesh	12	167.67
Maharashtra	191	4380.77
Manipur	6	6.35
Meghalaya	3	1.05
Nagaland	2	0.65
Odisha	3	13.74
Pondicherry	1	0.75
Punjab	2	72.93
Rajasthan	18	298.59
Tamil Nadu	44	1045.62
Telangana	28	481.91
Tripura	2	1.00
Uttar Pradesh	33	465.75
Uttarakhand	2	7.36
West Bengal	10	84.19
Total	924	18632.98

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The State/UT-wise details of amount approved to selected startups by the selected incubators over the last four years viz. 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 as on 31st December 2024:

State/UT	Total number of startups selected by incubators in 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024	Total amount approved to startups by selected incubators in 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 (Rs. Crore)
Andaman and Nicobar	1	0.04
Islands		
Andhra Pradesh	46	7.88
Arunachal Pradesh	1	0.20
Assam	37	4.62
Bihar	44	7.87
Chandigarh	13	2.65
Chhattisgarh	18	2.03
Delhi	178	34.06
Goa	22	2.61
Gujarat	185	34.57
Haryana	120	20.40
Himachal Pradesh	19	2.99
Jammu and Kashmir	12	2.05
Jharkhand	15	2.93
Karnataka	342	73.52
Kerala	56	9.40
Madhya Pradesh	109	16.70
Maharashtra	467	85.66
Manipur	3	0.30
Meghalaya	2	0.24
Mizoram	7	0.55
Nagaland	19	3.87
Odisha	89	10.04
Puducherry	6	0.97
Punjab	45	6.35
Rajasthan	101	17.10
Sikkim	2	0.20
Tamil Nadu	260	43.66
Telangana	157	33.45
Uttar Pradesh	186	31.54
Uttarakhand	17	3.68
West Bengal	43	5.65
Grand Total	2622	467.75

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The State/UT-wise details of loans guaranteed to startups over the last two years viz. 2023 and 2024 as on 31st December 2024:

State/UT	Total number of loans guaranteed in 2023 and 2024	Total amount of loans guaranteed to startups in 2023 and 2024 (Rs. Crore)
Andhra Pradesh	10	15
Assam	4	2.52
Bihar	1	0.28
Chandigarh	1	0.15
Delhi	22	51.61
Gujarat	4	9.5
Haryana	29	83.42
Jammu And Kashmir	5	14.35
Karnataka	29	67.34
Kerala	14	29
Madhya Pradesh	5	9.8
Maharashtra	57	124.74
Rajasthan	9	32.3
Tamil Nadu	26	70.65
Telangana	5	5.47
Uttar Pradesh	20	38.98
Uttarakhand	1	10
West Bengal	15	36.75
Total	257	601.86

206 unique borrowers have been supported under CGSS.
