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SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS IN PUNJAB

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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) details of various skill development programs that are ongoing in the State of Punjab;
- (b) details of the training partners empaneled with the Ministry in the State of Punjab;
- (c) details of the targets given by the Ministry under various schemes to various training partners in Punjab during last five years, year-wise, training partner-wise, scheme-wise;
- (d) details of candidates enrolled, training completed and placement provided to the youth against target received by the Ministry under various schemes in last three years, training partner-wise, year-wise and scheme-wise; and
- (e) the funds allocated to these skill development programs?

ANSWER

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

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(a): Under the Government of India's Skill India Mission (SIM), Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to all the sections of the society across the country including state of Punjab. The brief of these schemes is as under:

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY): PMKVY Scheme is for imparting skill development training through Short-Term Training (STT) and up-skilling and re-skilling through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) to youth across the country.

Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) Scheme: The main target of the JSS is to impart vocational skills to the non-literates, neo-literates and the persons having rudimentary level of education and school dropouts up to 12th standard in the age group of 15-45 years, with due age relaxation in case of "Divyangjan" and other deserving cases. Priority is given to Women, SC, ST, OBC and Minorities in the rural areas and urban low-income areas.

National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS): This Scheme is for promoting apprenticeship training and increasing the engagement of apprentices by providing financial support for payment of stipend to apprentices. Training consists of Basic Training and On-the-Job Training / Practical Training at workplace in the industry.

Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS): This scheme is for providing long-term training through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) across the country. The ITIs offer a range of vocational/skill

training courses covering a large number of economic sectors with an objective to provide skilled workforce to the industry as well as self employment of youth.

(b): The training centres under various schemes of MSDE are set up or engaged on need basis. The details of training centres set up or engaged (as on 30.06.2025) under various schemes of MSDE in India and in the state of Punjab are as under:

	PMKVY 4.0 Centres (STT+SP)*	JSS Centres	NAPS Establishments	ITIs
Pan India	12,838	289	51,895	14,615
Punjab	572	02	991	320

* Short-Tem Training (STT) and Special Projects (SP)

(c) & (d): The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready, equipped with industry relevant skills. All the skilling schemes of MSDE are demand-driven and joining such courses is a voluntary decision on the part of the potential trainees.

Year-wise details of the candidates trained under various schemes of MSDE in the state of Punjab during the last five years up to 2024-25 are as under:

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
PMKVY	57,054	18,539	7,568	11,816	1,06,401
JSS	1,607	3,567	4,138	3,560	2,800
NAPS	4,525	11,782	15,361	14,761	15,511
CTS*	47,590	39,992	39,986	43,997	40,367

*enrolled in sessions 2020 to 2024

Amongst the schemes of MSDE, placements were tracked under the Short-Term Training component of PMKVY in the first three versions (i.e, PMKVY 1.0, PMKVY 2.0 and PMKVY 3.0) implemented from 2015-16 to 2021-22. Under PMKVY (1.0 to 3.0), 24.38 lakh candidates were reported placed across India and 1.29 lakh candidates were reported placed in the state of Punjab. Under PMKVY 4.0, the focus is on empowering the trained candidates to choose their varied career path and they are suitably oriented for the same. Further, various IT tools like Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) also gives this opportunity.

(e): Funds under PMKVY are released to implementing agencies for meeting the training cost as per prescribed norms. Under JSS scheme, funds are released to Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs) directly. Under NAPS, stipend support up to Rs 1500/- per month is released to apprentices through DBT and not to establishments covered. Day to day administration as well as financial control in respect of ITIs lies with the respective State Government/ UT Administration.

Details of the fund released for implementation of the schemes of MSDE, across India and in the state of Punjab, are as under:

Scheme (s)	Pan India (in Rs. Cr)	Punjab (in Rs. Cr)
PMKVY (2015-16 up to 30.06.2025)	11,429.21	551.64
NAPS (2018-19 up to 30.06.2025)	1,924.17	18.27
JSS Scheme (2018-19 up to 30.06.2025)	883.71	6.35
