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**EMPOWERING MSMEs THROUGH DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION
AND FINANCIAL ACCESS**

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

- (a) manner in which specific initiatives, including the Udyam portal and digital payment platforms, have contributed to enhancing MSMEs' access to formal credit and Government procurement opportunities; and
- (b) the current utilization rate of these financial instruments by MSMEs; and
- (c) steps being taken to address the remaining credit gap and skill shortages for MSMEs, particularly for micro and women-led enterprises in remote areas?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
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(a) to (c): Udyam Registration Portal (URP) was launched by Ministry of MSME on 01.07.2020 to facilitate ease of registration for MSMEs. The process of registration on Udyam is fully online, paperless and based on self-declaration. For those Informal Micro Enterprises (IMEs), which do not have PAN and are exempted from GST, Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) was launched on 11.01.2023 in association with Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI). The formalisation initiative provides ease of doing business, creates an identity for MSMEs and they become eligible to avail the benefit of various schemes, subject to eligibility criteria.

The Government has taken several measures to encourage MSMEs to integrate with digital payment platforms.

- Public Procurement Policy (PPP) for Micro and Small Enterprises Order 2012 provides an assured market share to Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs). Through URP, an enterprise can link with GeM platform and participate in Government procurement and avail the benefit of PPP, As per MSME SAMBANDH Portal, during the FY 2024-25, 35.04% was procured from MSEs by CPSEs as against the mandated target of 25%.
- Public Procurement (Preference to Make in India) Order 2017 (PPP-MII Order) was issued on 15th June, 2017 pursuant to Rule 153(iii) of the General Financial Rules, 2017 to promote domestic value addition and is applicable for procurement of goods, services and works by Central Government Procuring Entities. Further, Global Tender Enquiry cannot be issued for tenders less than Rs. 200 crore, except in exceptional cases.

- Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) is actively working with Ministry of MSME to onboard MSMEs to its network through existing seller applications and also to integrate MSME Mart.
- Trade Receivables Discounting System (TReDS), is an electronic platform for facilitating the discounting of trade receivables of MSMEs through multiple financiers. The monetary limit for onboarding on TReDS for Corporates and CPSEs has been reduced to a turnover of Rs. 250 Crore vide Notification S.O. 4845(E) dated 07.11. 2024 of the Ministry of MSME. As reported by TReDS Platforms, since inception, an amount of more than Rs. 5.45 Lakh crore has been financed in case of about 2.0 Lakh MSMEs.
- In order to support the MSMEs for market linkage, NSIC has created a global Business to Business (B2B) portal viz. www.msmemart.com to provide a digital platform for visibility and discoverability, thereby facilitating their business interface.
- To enhance the capacity and competitiveness of MSMEs, NSIC implement a Central Sector Scheme title “Trade Enablement And Marketing” (TEAM) which envisages digital market connect of MSME by supporting the onboarding under e-commerce platforms.
- PM Vishwakarma Scheme seeks to incentivize digital transactions undertaken by the artisans and craftspeople through cash-backs to promote a new digital culture among the Vishwakarmas with regard to embracing digital payments ecosystem.

As informed by RBI, the Credit Outstanding to MSMEs by Scheduled Commercial Banks is increasing and the details are given below:

Credit outstanding to MSME Sector by Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs)			
<i>No of Accounts in lakh, Amount outstanding in ₹ crore</i>			
Sl. No.	Financial Year	No. of A/cs	Total Outstanding
1	As on March 31, 2023	213.32	22,60,135.28
2	As on March 31, 2024	257.45	27,25,657.46
3	As on March 31, 2025	243.15	31,08,917.82

Source: RBI

To enhance access to credit for MSMEs, particularly for micro and women-led enterprises, a number of measures have been taken by Government of India, which inter-alia include schemes such as Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme, Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs), PM Vishwakarma Yojana, Mudra Yojna, Procurement & Marketing Support Scheme etc. Under these initiatives, there are special provisions for women, to ensure inclusiveness and fair representation.

To provide skilling support for MSMEs in the country, under Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme, basic and advanced entrepreneurship training is provided to help entrepreneurs improve their personal entrepreneurial skills and upscale their business or enterprise. Skill Development training programmes are also conducted by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), Tool Rooms and Technology Centres. Further, URP has been integrated with portals of National Career Services, e-Shram of Ministry of Labour & Employment and Skill India Digital Portal.

The Ministry of MSME launched the 'Yashasvini Campaign' on 27.06.2024. The objective of the Campaign is to empower women entrepreneurs across India through various schemes on formalization, access to credit capacity building and mentorship through awareness generation about these schemes.

As additional policy measures for promotion, development and expansion of MSMEs, the following announcements have been made in Budget 2025:

- (i) For Start ups, the guarantee coverage amount increased from the present Rs.10 crore to Rs. 20 crore.
- (ii) For well-run exporter MSMEs, credit guarantee for term loans up to Rs. 20 crore.
- (iii) A new Fund of Funds, with expanded scope and a fresh contribution of another Rs. 10,000 crore.
- (iv) A new scheme for 5 lakh women, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes first-time entrepreneurs for term loans up to Rs.2 crore during the next 5 years.
