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**TRAINING TARGETS UNDER PMKVY**

1407. SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:

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

- (a) the job role wise demand data used to approve training targets under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) during each of the last three phases;
- (b) the number of districts that submitted District Skill Development plans (DSDPs) prior to allocation of PMKVY targets, year-wise;
- (c) the percentage of PMKVY targets that were allocated without reference to DSDPs; and
- (d) the State-wise delays in release and utilization of PMKVY funds under the State Component?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) The Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) scheme is demand driven and its benefits are accessible to all sections of society. The scheme aims to equip India's youth with future-ready and industry-relevant skills. The Ministry has a multi-channel approach for assessing market demand for approving training targets under PMKVY. This includes:

- **SSCs and Industry Linkages:** 36 Sector Skill Councils (SSCs), identify the skill development needs of respective sectors as well as determine skill competency standards.
- **Skill Gap & DSDP Inputs:** Qualifications are based on sectoral and geographical skill gap studies, industry demand, and inputs from District Skill Development Plans (DSDPs) capturing localized demands.
- **Industry Consultations:** Continuous feedback from industry ensures curricula remain updated with current market needs. Industries are also encouraged to become Awarding Bodies and run their own market-relevant courses.
- **Focus on Emerging Sectors:** Priority is given on identifying New Age skills such as cybersecurity, AI, etc. Special focus is placed on identifying skilling needs of emerging areas like, GIG economy, Circular Economy, Renewable energy, etc. Over 600 new-age courses on AI, 5G, cybersecurity, green hydrogen, and drones have been introduced under PMKVY 4.0.
- **Skilling aligned with National Priorities:** Emphasis on skilling aligned with national priorities and industry needs through skill gap studies, curriculum design, and robust training infrastructure.
- **Convergence:** Support extended to schemes and initiatives such as the National Green Hydrogen Mission (NGHM), PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana, National Manufacturing Mission, AI Mission, and India Semiconductor Mission.

The details of total number of trained candidates under last three phases of PMKVY are as follows:

<b>Phases</b>	<b>Total Trained</b>
PMKVY 1.0	19,86,016
PMKVY 2.0	1,10,00,708
PMKVY 3.0	7,37,502

(b) Under the SANKALP scheme, District Skill Development plans (DSDP) preparation was undertaken across districts, and these were subsequently consolidated into State Skill Development Plans (SSDPs) for States. The year-wise details of number of districts that submitted DSDPs are as under:

<b>FY</b>	<b>Number of District submitted DSDP plan</b>
2018-19	223
2020-21	495
2022-23	698
2023-24	151
2024-25	716

(c) Since DSDPs are not the only input parameter in PMKVY's allocation methodology, no percentage can be attributed to targets being allocated "with" or "without" reference to DSDPs.

(d) Although there were no State-wise delays in the release of funds under PMKVY 2.0 and PMKVY 3.0, the initial roll-out of the State component, particularly during 2016–17, was delayed due to limited submission of proposals by States, which resulted in a slow pace of implementation in the initial phase. Subsequent delays in the release and utilisation of funds under the State component were mainly due to the late submission or non-submission of project proposals and Utilisation Certificates (UCs) by State Skill Development Missions (SSDMs).

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