

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4092
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.03.2026

STATUS ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

4092. SHRI MASTHAN RAO YADAV BEEDHA:

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

- (a) the details of the implementation status of the Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP) across the country and the outcomes achieved thereunder;
- (b) details of the number of training programmes conducted and candidates trained under ESDP during the last five years, year-wise, trade-wise, State-wise and district-wise, with specific details for the State of Andhra Pradesh and Nellore district;
- (c) the details of the number of beneficiaries who have started enterprises or gained employment after completion of training under the programme, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the details of the funds allocated, released and utilised under ESDP during the last five years, year-wise and State-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a) to (c): A total of 39,280 programmes were conducted, benefiting 18,25,181 participants across the country under the scheme of Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme (ESDP) during the period from FY 2021-22 to 2025-26 (as on 23.03.2026). The details of programmes conducted and persons benefitted during the last five years, year-wise, State-wise, including district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh, is given at Annexure-I.

The objective of the scheme is to motivate young persons representing different sections of the society, including SC, ST and women, to consider self-employment or entrepreneurship as a career option. The ultimate objective is to promote new enterprises, build capacity of existing MSMEs and inculcate entrepreneurial culture. Information related to State/UT-wise number of beneficiaries who have started enterprises after completion of the training programme is not maintained.

(d): ESDP is a Central Sector scheme and funds are not allocated State/UT-wise. Funds allocated and expenditures incurred under the scheme during the last five years is as under:

Financial Year	Fund allocated (Rs. crore)	Expenditures incurred (Rs. crore)
2021-22	2.00	1.50
2022-23	40.00	38.714
2023-24	65.00	62.84
2024-25	74.32	73.79
2025-26(As on 23.03.2026)	95.70	89.83
Total	277.02	266.674

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of the Rajya Sabha admitted Unstarred question no. 4092 for answer on 30.03.2026.

Year-wise and State-wise number of programmes and beneficiaries of last five years from FY 2021-22 to 2025-26 under the ESDP Scheme:

S. No.	Name of State/UT	2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26 (As on 23.03.26)	
		Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries
1	Andhra Pradesh	27	2295	26	1424	113	5760	201	10093	575	30502
2	Arunachal Pradesh	2	136	27	1087	97	4236	135	6401	100	5197
3	Assam	17	1165	379	15350	426	19339	885	43038	575	27239
4	Bihar	49	3929	132	6079	232	12265	288	13454	204	9138
5	Chhattisgarh	27	1814	105	5266	133	5759	164	8080	129	6457
6	Goa	2	119	7	279	36	1510	32	1424	24	1086
7	Gujarat	24	1580	196	9651	343	14939	642	29573	483	21462
8	Haryana	23	2014	65	3213	143	7688	207	10599	431	18813
9	Himachal Pradesh	15	1317	31	1790	112	5923	121	5998	155	8512
10	Jharkhand	27	2570	110	6156	141	8380	159	7447	217	9756
11	Karnataka	42	3316	141	6117	244	14301	380	18280	281	13285
12	Kerala	27	2335	145	7150	150	8873	186	10197	278	13465
13	Madhya Pradesh	27	2706	959	44248	975	42055	1850	77987	1371	59988
14	Maharashtra	47	3946	379	15468	386	16669	1338	56200	1244	52727
15	Manipur	7	403	35	1281	41	1722	125	4773	344	16004
16	Meghalaya	3	213	20	1209	57	2374	152	6101	167	7471
17	Mizoram	2	87	7	210	30	1122	54	2370	48	2443
18	Nagaland	8	527	206	6810	556	16561	373	12862	94	4743
19	Odisha	32	2559	196	8616	222	10348	756	38229	1419	60460
20	Punjab	22	2447	126	7269	194	10368	435	21251	316	14801
21	Rajasthan	27	2293	148	8820	276	12807	768	34206	1033	44283
22	Sikkim	20	1140	16	903	39	2004	70	3204	56	2672
23	Tamil Nadu	31	3002	235	9433	319	16445	363	17929	603	27405
24	Telangana	32	2629	103	4606	275	11548	316	12717	558	33722

25	Tripura	20	1384	11	331	80	4072	160	6864	169	7307
26	Uttar Pradesh	87	8156	413	23137	483	25918	826	40120	1088	50010
27	Uttarakhand	15	1380	135	5511	214	7835	296	12206	408	17061
28	West Bengal	25	1928	181	8251	274	12197	179	7867	341	15719
29	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	2	128	59	2856	56	2502	5	191	1	53
30	Chandigarh	0	0	1	118	8	276	4	239	4	150
31	Dadar And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	3	280	8	608	12	467	23	1290	6	355
32	Delhi	15	1349	23	1385	84	4170	112	4744	185	8368
33	Jammu And Kashmir	7	494	101	3863	714	35280	752	33652	673	30581
34	Ladakh	0	0	1	50	2	94	28	1573	43	1520
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	11	498	6	233	7	325
36	Puducherry	1	61	5	147	19	737	184	8569	131	6704
	Total	715	59702	4732	218692	7497	347042	12575	569961	13761	629784

Source: ESDP MIS Portal

District wise number of Programmes and beneficiaries in Andhra Pradesh of last five years from FY 2021-22 to 2025-26 under the ESDP scheme:

S. No.	Name of District	2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26 (As on 23.03.26)	
		Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries	Programmes	Beneficiaries
1	Alluri Seetarama Raju	0	0	1	25	2	93	2	90	2	145
2	Anakapalli	0	0	0	0	10	776	11	763	10	441
3	Ananthpuramu	0	0	0	0	2	51	2	82	15	980
4	Annamayya	0	0	1	120	3	108	8	368	16	1148
5	Bapatla	0	0	1	107	7	457	7	333	4	235
6	Chittor	1	117	0	0	3	103	1	128	78	4156
7	East Godavari	3	235	0	0	3	158	2	77	11	678
8	Eluru	0	0	1	25	4	215	4	156	18	751
9	Guntur	2	154	1	120	4	159	10	430	22	930
10	Kakinada	0	0	1	80	1	101	11	413	41	2343
11	Konaseema	0	0	0	0	1	79	0	0	7	446
12	Krishna	3	287	1	105	3	107	63	2843	25	1285
13	Kurnool	2	165	6	233	6	166	6	255	13	776
14	Nandyal	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	336	9	538
15	NTR	0	0	1	25	13	610	11	657	42	1922
16	Palnadu	0	0	0	0	1	25	4	160	21	804
17	ParvathipuramM anyam	0	0	0	0	2	82	3	110	5	267
18	Prakasam	0	0	0	0	3	114	3	176	13	581
19	<u>Sri pottiSriramulu Nellore</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>100</u>
20	Sri Satya sai	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	72
21	Srikakulam	3	250	3	101	17	730	8	330	32	1813
22	Tirupati	0	0	1	25	7	363	3	177	12	869
23	Visakhapatnam	5	461	4	142	14	828	22	1252	79	3810
24	Vizianagaram	2	167	1	67	2	263	2	209	55	3116
25	West Godavari	3	211	1	117	0	0	7	413	34	1788
26	Y.S.R.	2	167	2	132	5	172	3	228	9	508
Total		27	2295	26	1424	113	5760	201	10093	575	30502

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