

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 4271**  
ANSWERED ON – 01/04/2026

**SKILL INDIA DIGITAL HUB (SIDH) 2.0**

4271. SHRI NARHARI AMIN:

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

- (a) whether the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) has successfully integrated with the eShram portal to support gig worker upskilling, and;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) how has the Skill India Assistant (SIA) AI-powered guide improved personalised course discovery for 3.65 lakh registered candidates;
- (d) what is the status of the 'Digitally Verifiable Credentials' initiative in ensuring tamper-proof certification for Indian youth;
- (e) whether the Ministry has successfully onboarded 22 regional languages onto the SIDH platform for inclusive digital learning; and
- (f) how many MSMEs are currently utilising the SIDH job-matching engine to hire certified talent directly as of March, 2026?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

- (a) SIDH has been integrated with the e-Shram portal to enable convergence and support for upskilling of registered workers. Through this integration, e-Shram beneficiaries can access skilling opportunities available on SIDH. The integration is implemented at the national level, including beneficiaries across all States.
- (b) The details of beneficiaries who are registered on e-Shram portal and have enrolled in courses on SIDH, State/UT-wise are given in **Annexure-I**.
- (c) Skill India Assistant (SIA) is an AI-powered WhatsApp chatbot integrated with the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH), to enhance personalized access to skilling and employment-related services. SIA leverages conversational AI built on Meta's open-source LLaMA (Large Language Model) to provide tailored course recommendations, nearby training center discovery, job opportunities aligned with user skills, and interactive support such as quizzes and doubt resolution. SIA is accessible via WhatsApp, enabling users to interact through text or voice in English, Hindi, and Hinglish, and is available 24/7 to ensure continuous support. Its WhatsApp-based deployment ensures wider outreach by allowing access through basic smartphones without the need for high-speed internet or additional applications.
- (d) SIDH provides the facility for issuance of Digitally Verifiable Credentials in compliance with open standards to ensure authenticity and tamper-proof certification. These credentials can be securely shared and verified by stakeholders, thereby enhancing trust and portability of Indian youth credentials.
- (e) The SIDH platform has been integrated with Bhashini which enables translation in 22 regional languages to enhance accessibility and promote inclusive digital education and skilling. Regional language features have been integrated into the platform to support diverse linguistic communities.
- (f) Jobs are fetched on the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) on the Job Exchange page from the National Career Service (NCS) Portal of the Ministry of Labour and Employment and the JobX Portal of NSDC, and may also include job postings from MSMEs. Further, the hiring of certified talent takes place on NCS and JobX portals respectively.

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (B) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4271 ANSWERED ON 01.04.2026**

<b>State</b>	<b>Number of Beneficiaries</b>
ANDHRA PRADESH	39
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	7
ASSAM	32
BIHAR	107
CHANDIGARH	2
CHHATTISGARH	31
DELHI	46
GUJARAT	62
HARYANA	35
HIMACHAL PRADESH	8
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	18
JHARKHAND	40
KARNATAKA	28
KERALA	3
MADHYA PRADESH	51
MAHARASHTRA	125
MANIPUR	3
MEGHALAYA	1
MIZORAM	1
NAGALAND	2
ODISHA	29
PUNJAB	28
RAJASTHAN	38
SIKKIM	2
TAMIL NADU	20
TELANGANA	17
TRIPURA	3
UTTAR PRADESH	321
UTTARAKHAND	14
WEST BENGAL	60
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1173</b>

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