

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO – 4272
ANSWERED ON – 01/04/2026

PMKVY IN TAMIL NADU

4272 SHRI R. DHARMAR:

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

- (a) the total number of beneficiaries who have been trained under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) during last five years within Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the funds allocated and utilized for the implementation of PMKVY in the last three years within Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether Government plans to expand the scope of PMKVY to include new-age skills such as digital literacy, artificial intelligence, robotics or green technologies and if so, the details of such plans; and
- (d) the steps being taken to promote the participation of women, SC/STs and other marginalized communities in PMKVY and to ensure equal access to training opportunities across rural and urban areas?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

- (a) Under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), during the last five years starting from FY 2020-21, a total of 2,29,712 candidates has been trained in Tamil Nadu.
- (b) The PMKVY 4.0 is a demand driven Scheme and there is no provision for State-wise fund allocation. However under the scheme, in the last three years starting from FY 2022-23, ₹109.96 crores has been disbursed to various entities for imparting project based skilling in Tamil Nadu.
- (c) Under PMKVY 4.0, training has been standardized through the National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF), aligning courses with industry needs and national priorities. Under the Scheme, training have been aligned to the requirements of new-age and futuristic job roles such as AI, Robotics, Internet of Things (IoT), Semiconductor, Drone technology, Solar, 3D Printing, etc. as per changing requirement and marked demand. To meet emerging technology demands, 600+ new-age and futuristic courses have been introduced. As on 31.12.2025, around 5.10 lakh candidates have been trained in new-age and futuristic job roles under PMKVY 4.0 across the country.
- (d) PMKVY is a demand driven scheme accessible to every section of society including Women, Scheduled Castes (SCs)/ Scheduled Tribes (STs) and other marginalized communities in PMKVY across rural and urban areas. The Scheme has a provision of Special Projects which are targeted towards ensuring coverage of under-represented social groups - SC/ ST/ Women/ PwDs and geographic areas such as Aspirational Districts, LWE, Tribal districts, etc. Special attention has been given to women, tribal communities, and other marginalized groups in rural areas to promote their participation in the skill development programs.

In order to improve inclusivity by ensuring that SC, ST, women, and other marginalized communities can undertake skill training and eventually access gainful wage and self-employment, boarding & lodging and transportation facilities are provided as per Common Norms. For non-residential training, conveyance/ transportation costs are covered for women and PwDs. Additionally, ₹5,000 is provided for assistive devices, aids, and appliances for PwD candidates. All candidates are also covered under one-year accidental insurance for additional social protection.
