

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
RAJYA SABHA
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PMKVY PLACEMENTS

599 SHRI SAKET GOKHALE:

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

- (a) the number of persons trained/certified and placed during last five years under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) (including STT, RPL) disaggregated by PMKVY 1.0/2.0/3.0/4.0, scheme-wise, year-wise;
- (b) whether percentage of placement under PMKVY 1.0–3.0 is 43 per cent and if so, the methodology and denominator used; and
- (c) the reasons for discontinuing/altering placement tracking under PMKVY 4.0 and how employment outcomes are now verified?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing its flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana i.e. PMKVY 1.0 (2015-16), PMKVY 2.0 (2016-20), PMKVY 3.0 (2020-22) and PMKVY 4.0 (2022-26) for imparting skill development training through Short-Term Training (STT) and up-skilling and re-skilling through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) to youth across the country. The numbers of candidates trained, certified and reported placed under PMKVY 1.0, PMKVY 2.0 and, PMKVY 3.0 are given below:

S. No.	Scheme	Trained / Oriented	Certified	Reported Placed
1	PMKVY 1.0	19,86,016	14,51,636	2,53,296
2	PMKVY 2.0	1,10,00,708	91,57,547	21,41,575
3	PMKVY 3.0	7,37,502	5,09,714	43,016

Under PMKVY 4.0, as on 31.12.2025, 27,09,984 candidates have been trained, whereas, 18,79,742 candidates have been certified.

The numbers of candidates trained, certified and reported placed under PMKVY during the last five financial years is given below:

FY	Trained / Oriented	Certified	Reported Placed
FY-20-21	19,60,776	25,58,298	2,16,102
FY-21-22	6,16,040	4,79,798	1,64,162
FY-22-23	2,11,170	2,52,702	-
FY-23-24	5,39,962	2,75,994	-
FY-24-25	20,38,319	13,31,020	-
Total	53,66,267	48,97,812	3,80,264

(b) Under PMKVY, placements were tracked in the Short-Term Training (STT) component in the first three versions of the Scheme which is PMKVY 1.0 (2015-16), PMKVY 2.0 (2016-20) and PMKVY

3.0 (2020-22). Under PMKVY 4.0, the focus is to empower trained candidates to choose their varied career path and they are suitably oriented for the same through On-Job Training (OJT) embedded industry relevant skill courses. Under the first three versions of PMKVY, out of 56.89 lakh STT certified candidates, 24.38 lakh candidates have been reported placed which is around 43%.

(c) PMKVY 4.0 has delinked placement component to focus on a candidate-centric learning, emphasizing employable and entrepreneurial skills for self-employment and diverse career paths. This creates a skilled, adaptable workforce aligned with market demands, and promoting sustainable livelihoods.

Further under PMKVY 4.0, the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) has been launched as a unified platform to enhance employment opportunities by integrating skilling, education, employment, and entrepreneurship ecosystems. It offers lifelong services to a broad range of stakeholders, and details of trained candidates are available on the SIDH portal to help connect them with potential employers. Additionally, On-the-Job Training (OJT) has been made a mandatory component of PMKVY. To further support placement opportunities for certified candidates, Kaushal Mahotsavs and Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Melas (PMNAMs) have also been organized.

As per the impact assessment study conducted by Arun Jaitley National Institute of Financial Management (AJNIFM) recently, PMKVY 4.0 training has contributed to a measurable shift in employment outcomes for candidates trained under STT. The combined share of employed and self-employed STT respondents has increased from 26.6% to 45.4% after PMKVY training reflecting 18.8% point increase.
