

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2255  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.01.2018**

**ENTREPRENEURSHIP SCHEME FOR WOMEN**

**†2255. SHRI NIHAL CHAND:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to introduce any new entrepreneurship scheme for women empowerment;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any initiative has been taken to promote creation of self-employment opportunities while minimizing the hurdles and implementation in the said scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF  
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
(SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE)**

(a) to (e) Presently, the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has not approved any specific scheme for women entrepreneurs. However, a flagship scheme called Pradhan Mantri Yuva Udyamita Vikas Abhiyan (PM-YUVA) has been launched by the Ministry on 9th November, 2016 to impart entrepreneurship education and training to over 14.5 lakh students throughout the country. The scheme with an outlay of Rs.450 crores for the period 2016-17 to 2020-21 is expected to have 30% students as women. Main objectives of the Scheme are to create a favourable ecosystem for entrepreneurship development through education and training, advocacy, easy access to various components of entrepreneurship ecosystem including mentor network, credit, incubator & accelerator, information platform, research etc.

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