GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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SANKALP AND STRIVE SCHEME

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched two schemes namely 'Sankalp' and 'Strive' in the country recently;
- (b) if so, the details and the salient features thereof along with the roadmap outline prepared by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) the details and the percentage of people benefitted under the said schemes so far State/UT-wise?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b) The Government of India has approved two new World Bank assisted projects known as Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) and Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE). Both the schemes are aimed at institutional reform and quality improvement in skill development and Vocational Education and Training (VET).

SANKALP is an outcome based Centrally Sponsored Scheme aimed to implement the mandate of the National Skill Development Mission (NSDM) by strengthening institutions, improving quality and access, and catalyzing private sector investments in Short-term Skill Development. The project is to be implemented over six years. The Loan Agreement of US 250 Million Dollar for the project was signed between Government of India and International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) on 13th December, 2017 which came into effect from 19th January, 2018. For funding under SANKALP four key result areas have been identified viz: (i) Institutional Strengthening; (ii) Quality Assurance; (iii) Inclusion; and (iv) Expanding Skills through Public Private Partnerships (PPPs).

STRIVE is a Central Sector Scheme envisaged to improve relevance and efficiency of skills development provided through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and apprenticeship. The scheme aims at integrating and enhancing delivery quality of 500 ITIs including 100 Private ITIs. The project also covers incentivizing the State/UT governments for policy and regulatory reforms that are aimed at improving the operational environment for ITIs and apprenticeship. The project also aims at creating awareness through 100 industry clusters/ geographical chambers that would address the challenge of involvement of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) for apprenticeship training. The component on improved teaching and learning inter-alia aims at adoption of technology led training delivery mechanism. The total cost of STRIVE scheme is Rs. 2200 crore of which Rs. 1100 crore is loan component from the World Bank. The financing agreement between the Government of India and the World Bank has been signed on 19th December, 2017 and scheme duration is 5 years from year 2017-2022. The important components of STRIVE are as under:

- (i) Improved Performance of ITIs.
- (ii) Increased Capacities of State Governments to support and manage ITIs and apprenticeship training.
- (iii) Improved Teaching and Learning.
- (iv) Improved and Broadened Apprenticeship Training.
- (c) The two projects have recently been approved and is currently under implementation hence the details of people benefitted under the said schemes so far State/ UT-wise is not available.
