

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTIONNO. 3057
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2018

SOLAR CHARKHA MISSION

3057. SHRI PRATHAP SIMHA:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has launched Solar Charkha Mission recently and if so, the details thereof including its aims, objectives and financial outlay for the purpose along with the number of Clusters covered and the number of artisans likely to be benefited therefrom State/ UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up 15 New state-of-the-art technology centres in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the budgetary allocation for Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) for FY 2018-19 has been increased and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has set up 4 Portals for promoting Ease-of-Doing Business and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)
FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a): Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) has launched the Mission Solar Charkha for implementation of 50 Solar Charkha Clusters across the country with a budget of Rs. 550 crore for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20. The scheme is envisaged to generate direct employment to nearly one lakh persons. Solar Charkha Units have been classified as Village Industries.

(b): Ministry of MSME is implementing Technology Centre Systems Programme (TCSP), to expand and upgrade the network of Technology Centres (Tool Rooms and Technology Development Centres) in the country, at an estimated project cost of Rs. 2200 crore including World Bank Loan of USD 200 Million to establish 15 new Technology Centres (TCs) and upgrade existing TCs across the country.

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(c): Yes, Madam. The details of the fund allocation under PMEGP for the Financial Year 2018-19 are given below:

Plan Scheme PMEGP	BE(2018-19) (Rs. in crore)	
	Margin Money	Backward and forward linkages
General	881.24	36.00
SCC	434.52	
STC	198.88	
NER	246.00	4.00
Total	1760.64	40.00

(d): In order to promote the Ease-of- Doing Business, the Ministry of MSME has introduced online filing of Udyog Aadhaar Memorandum (UAM) from 18.09.2015. Since then, the total number of UAM filed by micro, small and medium enterprises is 4931098. In addition to it, the Ministry has also taken the following steps to promote the Ease of Doing Business:

- (i) **MSME SAMADHAAN Portal-** for empowering micro and small entrepreneurs across the country to directly register their cases relating to payments delayed by Central Ministries/Departments/CPSEs/State Governments etc.
- (ii) **MSME SAMBANDH Portal-** to help in Monitoring the Implementation of Public Procurement Policy for micro and small enterprises.
- (iii) **MSME SAMPARK Portal-** A digital platform, wherein, jobseekers (passed out trainees / students of 18 MSME Technology Centres) and recruiters get connected.
- (iv) **Digital Payments-** to pass on the benefits of the schemes of Ministry of MSME through digital payment gateway.

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