GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3012 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018

SKILL DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH EASTERN REGION (NER)

3012. SHRI BADRUDDIN AJMAL:

Will the MINISTER of SKILL DEVELOPMENT and ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government implements any programme/scheme for Skill Development of the unemployed youths of the North-Eastern Region (NER);
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the salient features of the programme/ scheme for the purpose along with the allocation of funds, category-wise;
- (c) the number of such programmes organised by the Government in NER and funds provided/utilized for the purpose during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (d) whether the Confederation of Indian Industry has undertaken various programmes in coordination with his Ministry and other stakeholders for socioeconomic development of the Region; and
- (e) if so, the key features of the initiatives undertaken for the purpose and the success achieved as a result thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (c) Under Skill India Mission, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing dedicated scheme known as Capacity Building for NER (CB-NER) and a flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY-2016-20) on pan-India basis covering NER.

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship through National Skill Development and Corporation is implementing Capacity Building scheme for skilling of unemployed youth of North Eastern region in various sectors. The scheme aims to provide funding for skill development, enhancing of employability and competencies, and promotion of self-employment and entrepreneurships. Under the scheme, NSQF compliant courses are being imparted and payouts to TPs are as per the Common Norms. Under the scheme, as on date, 7,396 candidates have been enrolled across 8 NE States. Out of which, 5,517 candidates have been already trained under CB scheme in various sectors.

Additionally, under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY-2016-20), skill training (Fresh Short Term Training, Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and Special Project) is being provided to the prospective youth of the country including North Eastern States. As on 30.11.2018, 1,13,124 candidates have been trained under PMKVY 2016-20 in 8 NE States.

PMKVY 2016-20 scheme also provides additional incentives for participation of youth in training from NE region. For incentivising the youth, there is a provision of monthly travel allowance and post placement support for candidates of NE States. Also, Training Centres (TCs) are paid 10% additional cost for training in the NE States. Further, Ministry has approved residential facility alongwith one-time transportation cost for candidates, upto 50% enrolled till 31st March 2019, being trained within NE region, J&K (except Jammu, Samba, Kathua and Udhampur districts) and at PMKKs across the country if the training center where the candidate is being trained is located outside the domicile district of the candidate.

(d) and (e) Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) is not involved with NSDC in North East region under PMKVY 2016-20. However, CII has partnered with National Skill Development Corporation, an implementing agency for PMKVY under MSDE, along with GIZ for the Skill Connect Roadshow to increase awareness and adoption of Apprenticeship among the Industry. As part of the roadshow, 19 workshops have been conducted in 14 states across the country till December 2018. Out of 19 workshops, one of the workshop on Apprenticeship was conducted in Guwahati, Assam on 24thSeptember 2018.
