

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

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2476

TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.07.2019

ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

2476. SHRI RAMCHARAN BOHRA:

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

- (a) whether entrepreneurship development is being encouraged as per area specific requirements and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the details of the specific scheme prepared for inaccessible, difficult, hilly and remote areas?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI R. K. SINGH)**

(a) & (b) With an aim to promote a culture of entrepreneurship among India's youth and inspire them to set-up their own enterprise and create employment opportunities for others, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, instituted National Entrepreneurship Awards Scheme (NEAS) in 2016. Under NEAS, awards are conferred to the aspiring first generation entrepreneurs to recognize and honour their efforts and achievements and those individuals/organizations who are working as eco-system builder in the field of entrepreneurship development. The awards also seek to highlight model of excellence for others to emulate and improve upon.

Through the Scheme, it has been attempted to make the Awards process inclusive and highlight the achievements of outstanding young entrepreneurs from different socio-economic backgrounds across sectors/ industries in varied geographies. The 3rd edition of National Entrepreneurship Awards was held in New Delhi on 4th January, 2019 which had the provision for conferring three awards (out of total 43 awards) to entrepreneurs from difficult areas.
