

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1916
ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022

TRAINING TO DIFFERENTLY-ABLED PEOPLE

1916. DR. VISHNU PRASAD M.K.:

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any scheme to provide training to differently-abled people residing in the rural areas to make them self-employed and entrepreneurs and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has signed any memorandum of understanding to give co-operation and assistance for providing training and employment to such people and if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the salient features of the said Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and its current status as on date?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) Under Skill India Mission, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing its flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) for Skill based training of the youth across the country including the differently-abled candidates under Short Term Training (STT) courses and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). STT is linked to placement while RPL recognises the existing skills of the candidate and does not mandate placement. Further, there is an exclusive Sector Skill Council for differently-abled, namely Skill Council for PwD (SCPwD) for catering to the needs of the differently-abled candidates and run training in PwD-friendly training centres (TCs). Such centres are structurally designed to enable differently-abled candidates to experience training with ease. These training centres are structurally designed to cover Braille, computer screen reader for visually impaired, sign language interpreter for speech and hearing impaired etc. In addition, other Training Centers can also enroll differently-abled candidates. The year-wise details of differently-abled candidates trained under PMKVY scheme is given in **Annexure-I**.

Further, National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), Noida, an autonomous Entrepreneurship Development Institute under MSDE has conducted various training programmes covering 1,95,395 beneficiaries during the last five years (2017-18 to 2021-2022) which includes 1,907 differently-abled candidates.

Further, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) (Divyangjan), Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment implements a “National Action Plan (NAP) for Skill Development of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs)” which was launched in March, 2015. The objective of the scheme is to provide skill training to PwDs for enabling them to become self-reliant and productive members of the society and to integrate them with the mainstream of the society. NAP is implemented under the umbrella scheme – “Scheme for Implementation of Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act 2016 (SIPDA)”. Under NAP, for imparting training to persons with disabilities including PwDs in rural areas in the age group of 15 to 59 years, fund is released in three instalments to training partners (ETPs) empanelled from Government (GOs) and Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) across Country as per Common Norms guidelines of M/o Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

(b) & (c) No, Sir. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has not signed any specific Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for providing training and employment to differently-abled people residing in the rural areas.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1916 REGARDING 'TRAINING TO DIFFERENTLY-ABLED PEOPLE' TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2022

FY	RPL		STT				Total Trained
	Trained	Certified	Trained	Certified	Reported Placed	Self Employed	
FY-15-16	1	1	304	225	61	-	305
FY-16-17	39	11	87	57	2	-	126
FY-17-18	60	35	2,682	1,622	626	69	2,742
FY-18-19	32	26	14,029	9,749	1,815	167	14,061
FY-19-20	20	14	22,834	21,198	10,474	411	22,854
FY-20-21	230	161	8,340	7,191	2,428	21	8,570
FY-21-22	34	31	214	1,818	2,416	9	248
FY-22-23	2	1	105	61	2	-	107
Total	418	280	48,595	41,921	17,824	677	49,013
