

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 338
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.12.2022

SOLAR CHARKHA SCHEME

338. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:
SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

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

- (a) the details of identified clusters and artisans covered under the Solar Charkha scheme;
- (b) the number of female artisans covered under the scheme;
- (c) the assistance provided by the Government for the identified clusters, year-wise;
- (d) the details of proposed and identified clusters for the State of Andhra Pradesh;
- (e) the details of artisans and craftsmen trained and the funds allocated for the same under the capacity building component of the scheme, Cluster-wise;
- (f) the modes and methods of training being provided and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the details of employment generated under the scheme since inception, year-wise?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA)

- (a): Four clusters have been identified under the Solar Charkha Scheme namely (i) Sri Nandi Khadi Gramodyoga Sangha, Karnataka, (ii) Marwar Muslim Education and Welfare Society, Rajasthan, (iii) Vishwakarma Silk Khadi Weaver's Samity, Odisha and (iv) Nadagouda Solar Charkha Cluster, Karnataka.
- (b): About 60% of female artisans will be covered under each cluster under the scheme.
- (c): As per the scheme guidelines, Rs. 9.59 crore is allocated per cluster with the target to provide employment to 2042 persons per cluster.
- (d): No cluster has been sanctioned or proposed to set up in the State of Andhra Pradesh.
- (e) & (f): As per the revised guidelines, an amount of Rs. 60.00 lakh for training/capacity building component is allocated to each cluster with a target to generate employment to 2042 persons per cluster. The Promoter Agencies are permitted to engage Master Trainers/Resource personnel in order to provide training to identified artisans.
- (g): Estimated target to provide employment to 8168 persons has been fixed for the four sanctioned clusters.

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