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

(a) whether training and skill development workshops are being conducted to close the skill gap in Artificial Intelligence (AI) among the youth;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise along with the expenditure incurred and the number of youth trained in AI over the past five years; and

(c) the concrete strategy to employ 33 per cent youth, who have undergone skill development training under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana but are still unemployed despite the training?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) and (b) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has not conducted any exclusive training and skill development workshops to close the skill gap in Artificial Intelligence (AI).

In order to re-skill and up-skill IT-professionals to be adept with the emerging technologies including Artificial Intelligence (AI), IT-ITeS Sector Skill Council in partnership with Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has launched FutureSkills Prime (FSP) platform. A learner can seamlessly access free and paid content on all the skills of the future, virtual labs, undergo assessments and get certified on FutureSkills Prime platform. IT-ITeS SSC offers 32 courses related to Artificial Intelligence / Big Data Analytics on its FutureSkills Prime platform. Currently, around 13 lakh candidates /learners have signed up on FSP and 5.2 lakh candidates have enrolled for various courses.

(c) Under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKvy), Ministry through various initiatives including Rozgar Melas and Apprenticeship Melas, had facilitated the placement of the short term certified candidates.

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