GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3047

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3047. DR. T. SUMATHY (a) THAMIZHACHI THANGAPANDIAN: SHRI D.M. KATHIR ANAND:

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

- (a) whether the Government has signed any Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IT giants Microsoft, CISCO, Adobe and others for imparting certified courses under the PMKVY and other Skill India programmes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds received from the Information Technology (IT) companies for the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) and Skill India programmes in the last five years; and
- (c) whether it is true that the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and National Skill Development Agency (NSDA) has spent around Rs.12,000 crores since 2015 for skill training and entrepreneurship programmes and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

- (a) Under the Skill India Programme, Directorate General of Training (DGT) under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IBM, CISCO, Quest Alliance, Microsoft, Adobe India and Systems, Applications & Products in Data Processing (SAP) for imparting short term training courses in new age technologies through Bharat Skills- a Central Repository for Skills, to make the trainees industry ready. However, no MoU has been signed under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY).
- (b) Under the aforesaid MoU, training courses have been imparted in new age technology courses which includes Artificial Intelligence (AI), Big Data Analytics (BDA), Blockchain, Cloud Computing, Cybersecurity, Internet of Things, Web, Mobile Development and Marketing, 3D Printing and Modelling etc.

These training courses are being supported by companies under their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative and no separate fund have been received by DGT. In the last two years, 16.99 lakh candidates have been trained under this initiative.

Further, the advanced diploma courses on IT, Networking and Cloud Computing, which is NSQF Level 6 certified, is jointly offered by Directorate General of Training, MSDE and IBM India. Under this initiative, 19 students were enrolled in 2018 and the number of candidates increased to 340 in 2022 at 15 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs).

(c) The central component of PMKVY has been implemented by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC). Since 2015 till 31.12.2022, Rs. 8,023.95 Crore has been spent by NSDC for implementation of the Scheme.

Ministry since 2015-16 till 15.03.2023 has released Rs. 138.65 Crore as Grant-in-Aid to National Skill Development Agency (now subsumed under National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) in 2018). Out of which, Rs. 134.39 Crore has been spent by NCVET for its functioning.
