GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 11 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.07.2023

PRADHAN MANTRI EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE SCHEME

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

- (a) the salient features of the Pradhan Mantri Employment Guarantee Scheme (PMEGP);
- (b) the details of the funds sanctioned, allocated and utilized under this scheme across the country, particularly in the States of Assam, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan;
- (c) the number of employments generated, especially in rural areas under this scheme in the said States;
- (d) the target set along with its response within the country; and
- (e) whether the Government has fixed any target for women entrepreneurs under this scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (e): Ministry of MSME, through Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), is implementing Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) across the country including Assam, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan State for assisting entrepreneurs in setting up of new units in the non-farm sector. It aims to provide employment opportunities to traditional artisans/rural and urban unemployed youth at their doorstep.

Under PMEGP, General Category beneficiaries can avail Margin Money (MM) subsidy of **25% of the project cost in rural areas** and 15% in urban areas. For beneficiaries belonging to Special Categories such as Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, OBCs, Minorities, **Women**, Exservicemen, Physically Handicapped, Transgenders, beneficiaries belonging to Northeastern Region, Hill and Border areas, and Aspirational Districts, the **Margin Money subsidy is 35% in rural areas** and 25% in urban areas. Besides, beneficiaries from General Categories contribute 10% of project cost while beneficiaries from Special Categories contribute 5% of project cost. The maximum cost of project is Rs. 50 lakhs in the manufacturing sector and Rs. 20 lakhs in the service sector.

Since 2018-19, 2nd financial assistance of upto Rs. 1 cr. for upgradation and expansion of well-performing existing PMEGP/REGP/MUDRA units have been introduced with subsidy of 15% (20% for NER and hilly areas).

Under PMEGP, around 80% of the total units are in rural areas, whereas \sim 14% of total units are in Aspirational districts. Further, nearly 50% of the total units are owned by women and SC/ST entrepreneurs.

Details of targets set and achievements made under PMEGP in the country including rural areas as well as in Assam, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan State during last three years is given at Annexure.

The number of estimated employment generated in rural areas of Assam, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan State under PMEGP during last 3 years is given below:

Year	Estimated employment generated					
	Assam	Tamil Nadu	Rajasthan			
2020-21	19744	35040	16336			
2021-22	26208	39336	15256			
2022-23	17320	39032	13008			

Under PMEGP, there is no specific target set for Women entrepreneurs. However, women are considered under Special Categories under the scheme and are eligible for higher Margin Money subsidy and lower personal contribution. The details of women led units assisted under PMEGP during last 3 years are given below:

Year	Women led units assisted
2020-21	27285
2021-22	39156
2022-23	32626

Annexure: referred to in reply to part (a) to (e) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 11 for answer on 20.07.2023

Details of targets and achievements under PMEGP Scheme in the country including Assam, Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan State during last three years is given below:

Particulars	Targets			Achievement			
	Units assisted	Margin Money (Rs. in lakh)	Estimated employment generated	Units assisted	Margin Money (Rs. in lakh)	Estimated employment generated	
2020-21							
In the country	78625	228968.52	629000	74415	218880.15	595320	
Assam	5836	14589.04	46688	2939	4948.49	23512	
Tamil Nadu	4141	12424.33	33128	5188	13881.57	41504	
Rajasthan	2697	8094.02	21576	2772	8806.83	22176	

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2021-22							
In the country	92666	285000.00	741328	103219	297765.91	825752	
Assam	5475	14794.18	43800	3855	6659.71	30840	
Tamil Nadu	5246	16785.63	41968	5972	16445.76	47776	
Rajasthan	3446	10874.64	27568	2599	9025.60	20792	

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2022-23							
In the country	101006	295458.03	808048	85167	272217.45	681336	
Assam	4552	11693.36	36416	2596	5954.20	20768	
Tamil Nadu	5912	17583.30	47296	6140	17891.66	49120	
Rajasthan	3851	11447.30	30808	2037	99418.57	16296	