

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2996
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.08.2023**

IMPLEMENTATION OF NAMASTE SCHEME

2996. SHRI T.N. PRATHAPAN:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Sewer/Septic Tank Workers (SSWs) who were identified under the National Action for Mechanized Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) scheme in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of identified SSWs granted insurance under the said scheme, since its inception;
- (c) the number of the identified SSWs who enrolled for a skill development programme under the said scheme; and
- (d) the details and the number of those SSWs who have been placed in jobs including the variety of jobs offered to them?

**ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI RAMDAS ATHAWALE)**

(a): Government has formulated a 'scheme namely, National Action for Mechanised Sanitation Ecosystem' (NAMASTE), for mechanized cleaning of Sewer and septic tanks to be implemented from 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2026. Scheme has been revised and approved on 06.07.2023, profiling/identification of SSWs is a component in it.

(b) to (d): In view of above, question does not arise.
