

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3478
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.08.2023

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

3478. SHRI SHRIRANG APPA BARNE:
SHRI DHAIRAYSHEEL SAMBHAJIRAO MANE:
SHRI SUDHEER GUPTA:
SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:
SHRI BIDYUT BARAN MAHATO:
SHRI SANJAY SADASHIVRAO MANDLIK:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any initiative to foster entrepreneurship among women in the MSME sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the number of women entrepreneurs during each of the last three years and the current year, State/ UT –wise;
- (c) whether the Government is aware of number of women entrepreneurs whose enterprises had to face permanent closure due to the Covid-19 pandemic;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, along with the corrective measures taken/being taken by the Government in this regard, State-wise;
- (e) whether the Government proposes to extend financial assistance to women entrepreneurs running MSMEs who had to face permanent closure due to the Covid-19 pandemic and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the other steps being taken by the Government in the development of entrepreneurship among women in MSME sector?

ANSWER

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

(a): To encourage entrepreneurship among women, the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) implements ‘Skill Upgradation & Mahila Coir Yojana’ under Coir Vikas Yojana, which is as an exclusive training programme aimed at skill development of women artisans engaged in the Coir industry. Two months training in coir spinning is imparted through this programme. All the candidates undergoing the training are given a monthly stipend. The Ministry also implements Prime Minister’s Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), which is a major credit-linked subsidy programme aimed at generating self-employment opportunities through establishment of micro-enterprises in the non-farm sector by helping traditional artisans and rural/urban unemployed youth. For beneficiaries belonging to special categories such as Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/OBC /minorities/women, ex-serviceman, physically handicapped, NER, Hill and Border areas, etc., higher subsidy is given. The trained artisans under “Skill Upgradation & Mahila Coir Yojana” are encouraged to avail assistance through PMEGP scheme to set up coir units.

(b): The total number of women entrepreneurs registered under the Udyam portal during the last three years is given in Annexure I.

(c) to (e): The total number of women- owned MSMEs closed during the period 01.07.2020 till 04.05.2023, (the date on which the World Health Organization declared that COVID is no longer a public health emergency), is given in Annexure II.

To mitigate the effect of COVID on MSMEs, (including women owned MSMEs) Government has taken a number of initiatives under AatmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan. Some of them are:

- i. Rs. 5.00 Lakh crore Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) for businesses, including MSMEs;
- ii. Rs. 50,000 crore equity infusion through Self Reliant India (SRI) Fund;
- iii. Revised criteria for classification of MSMEs;
- iv. No global tenders for procurement upto Rs. 200 Cr;
- v. Launch of an online portal “Champions” in June 2020 to cover many aspects of e-governance including redressing grievances and handholding of MSMEs;
- vi. Inclusion of Retail and Wholesale traders in MSMEs;
- vii. Non- tax benefits extended for 3 years in case of an upward change in status of MSMEs;
- viii. Launch of Udyam Assist Platform on 11.1.2023 to bring Informal Micro Enterprises (IMEs) under the formal ambit for availing the benefit under Priority Sector Lending (PSL).

(f): Through an amendment to the Public Procurement Policy, the Government has mandated that all Central Ministries/ Departments and Public Sector Undertakings should procure at least 3% of their annual procurement from women owned micro and small enterprises. The Ministry also implements several other schemes for promotion and development of MSMEs, including women owned MSMEs, namely, Micro and Small Enterprises Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Tool Rooms & Technology Centres, Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme, Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme (ESDP).

Statement showing State/ UT –wise number of women owned MSMEs registered on Udyam Portal of Ministry of MSME from 01.07.2020 to 08.08.2023, year wise.

Sl. No.	State	Number of women owned MSMEs registered on Udyam Portal during			
		2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24 till 8.8.23
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	12,836	34,691	70,928	34,970
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	160	690	1,459	431
3	ASSAM	2,912	20,447	37,562	15,224
4	BIHAR	14,515	38,543	53,517	18,331
5	CHHATTISGARH	4,189	9,645	18,160	7,207
6	GOA	1,129	1,864	3,765	1,444
7	GUJARAT	37,507	54,746	78,690	33,828
8	HARYANA	12,585	24,578	41,962	20,591
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	1,891	4,596	8,804	3,162
10	JHARKHAND	5,806	14,088	33,858	9,310
11	KARNATAKA	29,788	57,588	96,315	35,171
12	KERALA	14,732	25,243	50,261	16,815
13	MADHYA PRADESH	14,333	30,282	53,103	20,441
14	MAHARASHTRA	123,341	191,492	265,171	95,872
15	MANIPUR	4,037	5,183	9,887	1,271
16	MEGHALAYA	196	642	2,308	1,154
17	MIZORAM	421	1,516	4,176	1,483
18	NAGALAND	194	1,109	3,047	1,408
19	ODISHA	7,852	20,752	38,279	14,632
20	PUNJAB	13,579	28,636	58,038	34,053
21	RAJASTHAN	29,500	46,266	69,259	29,693
22	SIKKIM	87	600	1,032	521
23	TAMIL NADU	70,501	127,325	201,679	79,530
24	TELANGANA	23,218	35,459	56,126	26,272
25	TRIPURA	227	799	4,075	3,246
26	UTTAR PRADESH	30,611	58,574	101,032	81,503
27	UTTARAKHAND	4,140	8,539	14,093	5,542
28	WEST BENGAL	9,419	25,618	47,330	28,588
29	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	462	738	990	305
30	CHANDIGARH	824	1,524	1,925	966
31	DELHI	13,464	21,882	31,647	12,160
32	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	3,008	13,352	24,398	15,465
33	LADAKH	81	354	512	383
34	LAKSHADWEEP	5	20	58	11
35	PUDUCHERRY	1,051	2,294	3,464	1,356
36	THE DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	453	700	930	376
Total:-		489,054	910,375	1487,840	652,715
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Annexure-II

Number of women- headed MSMEs closed during the period 01.07.2020 to 04.05.2023, as per Udyam Portal.

Sl. No.	State	No. of women owned MSMEs closed during			
		FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22	FY2022-23	FY2023-24 till 04.05.2023
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	-	29	69	12
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	-	-	1	-
3	ASSAM	-	2	8	-
4	BIHAR	2	85	74	7
5	CHHATTISGARH	-	10	18	-
6	GOA	-	1	5	-
7	GUJARAT	10	81	185	33
8	HARYANA	3	14	66	8
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	-	1	16	-
10	JHARKHAND	-	15	23	2
11	KARNATAKA	-	61	113	15
12	KERALA	-	21	67	6
13	MADHYA PRADESH	-	15	96	3
14	MAHARASHTRA	1	340	647	73
15	MANIPUR	-	-	15	1
16	MEGHALAYA	-	-	-	-
17	MIZORAM	-	1	1	-
18	NAGALAND	-	-	3	-
19	ODISHA	-	20	36	2
20	PUNJAB	-	26	12	1
21	RAJASTHAN	2	40	172	21
22	SIKKIM	-	-	-	-
23	TAMIL NADU	-	126	420	44
24	TELANGANA	-	22	21	3
25	TRIPURA	-	1	-	-
26	UTTAR PRADESH	3	61	170	55
27	UTTARAKHAND	1	4	42	3
28	WEST BENGAL	1	19	47	4
29	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	-	3	1	-
30	CHANDIGARH	-	1	-	-
31	DELHI	-	33	84	21
32	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	-	4	15	4
33	LADAKH	-	-	-	-
34	LAKSHADWEEP	-	-	-	-
35	PUDUCHERRY	-	2	11	2
36	THE DADRA AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	-	2	6	-
Total:-		23	1,040	2,444	320
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