

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

LOK SABHA
UN-STARRED QUESTION NO: †673
ANSWERED ON 24-07-2023

APPRENTICESHIP FAIR

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

- (a) whether the Government organizes apprenticeship fair to increase the employment opportunities for youths;
- (b) if so, the details of such fairs conducted during the last three years, State-wise; and
- (c) the number of youths who have been given apprenticeship certificates through various mediums, State-wise?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) to (b): Yes Sir. Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Mela (PMNAM) is a monthly event in which establishments / industries and candidates actively participate. It provides awareness to the youth on various apprenticeship opportunities existing across the participating establishments / industries and also allows the establishments to engage candidates as apprentices. Initially, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) organized Apprenticeship Melas on 04.10.2021 and 21.04.2022.

Based on the encouraging response that these Melas received, States/UTs were advised to conduct PMNAM. From June 2022 onwards, PMNAM is organized on every 2nd Monday in one-third of the total number of districts in the State with the flexibility for choosing the district/location and the day of Mela based on local conditions/festivals etc so that all districts are covered once in a quarter and four times in a year. Smaller States/UTs can conduct PMNAM once in three months. Since, launch of PMNAM in June 2022 and upto March 2023, the event has witnessed dynamic participation of establishments/companies and candidates. The State/UT-wise list of number of PMNAM organized and contracts generated is at *Annexure-I*.

The thrust given by the Ministry towards apprenticeship training through reforms (facilitation and process simplifications) and public outreach to create awareness about apprenticeship training among the students and the establishments through workshops, PMNAM, engagement with establishments / employers are making positive impact. All these have led to increase in the number of apprentices engaged from 2.96 lakh in 2020-2021 to 7.4 lakh in 2022-23. Currently, the number of apprentices engaged stands at 6.40 lakh.

An Impact Evaluation Study on National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) through National Productivity Council (NPC) has major findings with respect to

employment post apprenticeship training viz. (i) employment rate among pass-outs was 64% within 6 months and 74% within 12 months after completion and (ii) 68% strongly felt that program made them more employable compared to a non-certificate holder.

(c) Broadly, the apprenticeship trades are classified as 'Designated' Trade and 'Optional' Trade. The duration of these trades varies from 6 months to 2 years. For the category, Designated Trade, the National Apprenticeship Certificate (NAC) is awarded to those who pass the All India Trade Tests (AITT), conducted by Directorate General of Training (DGT). To facilitate apprentices who have completed the training to take the examination at the earliest, AITT has been made quarterly. This was previously conducted twice a year.

For Optional Trades, the apprenticeship certificates are awarded to the youth based on the assessment done by the Sector Skill Councils (SSCs). In addition to this, the Regional Boards under Ministry of Education grant 'Certificate of Proficiency' to the apprentices. The number of youths given apprenticeships certificates State-wise is at *Annexure-II*.

Annexure-I

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The State/UT-wise list of number of PMNAM organized and contracts generated

State	PMNAM Locations	Contract Generated*
1. Andaman & Nicobar	-	29
2. Andhra Pradesh	84	7,309
3. Arunachal Pradesh	13	10
4. Assam	58	4,660
5. Bihar	91	2,615
6. Chandigarh	2	453
7. Chhattisgarh	72	2,810
8. Delhi	23	11,785
9. Goa	2	5,587
10. Gujarat	236	35,071
11. Haryana	57	24,813
12. Himachal Pradesh	30	3,554
13. Jammu & Kashmir	52	3,667
14. Jharkhand	65	4,411
15. Karnataka	70	21,835
16. Kerala	44	4,789
17. Ladakh	-	-
18. Lakshadweep	1	1,045
19. Madhya Pradesh	104	20,389
20. Maharashtra	109	77,895
21. Manipur	-	8
22. Meghalaya	4	115
23. Mizoram	3	1
24. Nagaland	-	1,186
25. Odisha	89	3,516
26. Puducherry	5	1,459
27. Punjab	71	6,082
28. Rajasthan	95	7,179
29. Sikkim	6	4,285
30. Tamil Nadu	110	32,148
31. Telangana	71	13,175
32. The Dadra Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	6	1,766
33. Tripura	11	215
34. Uttar Pradesh	216	25,973
35. Uttarakhand	13	8,324
36. West Bengal	38	13,810
Grand Total	1,851	3,51,969*

*Pan India data – Apprenticeship Contract tracked for 20 days after Mela Day which may also include contracts generated outside PMNAM.

Annexure-II**For UN-STARRED QUESTION NO: 673 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24-07-2023****State wise details of certification**

State	Total Certification During FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24 till 18.07.2023.
1. Andaman And Nicobar Islands	2
2. Andhra Pradesh	8,205
3. Arunachal Pradesh	0
4. Assam	4,386
5. Bihar	2,125
6. Chandigarh	339
7. Chhattisgarh	6,614
8. Delhi	1,830
9. Goa	513
10. Gujarat	45,033
11. Haryana	37,000
12. Himachal Pradesh	1,046
13. Jammu And Kashmir	329
14. Jharkhand	11,529
15. Karnataka	12,126
16. Kerala	11,705
17. Ladakh	0
18. Lakshadweep	20
19. Madhya Pradesh	12,900
20. Maharashtra	63,065
21. Manipur	12
22. Meghalaya	44
23. Mizoram	0
24. Nagaland	0
25. Odisha	8,345
26. Puducherry	633
27. Punjab	5,318
28. Rajasthan	6,877
29. Sikkim	48
30. Tamil Nadu	19,195
31. Telangana	14,692
32. The Dadra Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	35
33. Tripura	23
34. Uttar Pradesh	23,858
35. Uttarakhand	3,240
36. West Bengal	6,332
Grand Total	3,07,419
