# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1391 ANSWERED ON 12/12/2023

### TRAINING TO IMMIGRANT WORKERS

### 1391. SHRIMATI POONAM MAHAJAN: SHRI RAJESHBHAI CHUDASAMA:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of immigrant workers trained and yet to be trained under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA), State-wise particularly in Maharashtra and Gujarat;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Union Government has made some efforts to organize skill training programme for various job centric roles as per the requirement of local industries, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps being tken by the Government to promote skill and entrepreneurship for rural development; and
- (d) the extent to which these steps are successful?

#### ANSWER

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SADHVI NIRANJAN JYOTI)

(a): The Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA) was launched on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2020 for a period of 125 days with resource envelop of Rs.50,000 Crore to boost employment and livelihood opportunities for migrant workers returning to villages and similarly affected citizens in rural areas. The Abhiyaan adopted a multipronged strategy of providing immediate employment & livelihood opportunities to the distressed, to saturate the villages with public infrastructure and creation of livelihood assets to boost the income generation activities and enhance long term livelihood opportunities by giving focus on 25 works in 116 selected districts across 6 States namely Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

The Abhiyaan ended on 22nd October, 2020. Skill Training was conducted through Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan. A total of 68,136 Person have been trained through Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) during the Abhiyaan period.

No districts of Maharashtra and Gujarat were included under the Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan.

The details of State-wise training conducted under the Abhiyaan is given below:

Training through KVKs For Livelihoods under Garib Kalyan Rojgar Abhiyaan (GKRA)						
SI. No.	State Name	Training Conducted (In No.)	Person Skilled (In No.)			
1	Bihar	512	18472			
2	Jharkhand	48	1680			
3	Madhya Pradesh	384	13474			
4	Odisha	64 2240				
5	Rajasthan	356 12503				
6	Uttar Pradesh	558	19767			
	Total	1922	68136			

(b)to(d): Project 'UNNATI', launched in December 2019 by Government of India, is a skilling project that intends to upgrade the skill base of the Mahatma Gandhi NREGS workers, and thereby improve their livelihoods, so that they can move from the current partial employment to full employment.

Rural Skills Division is implementing the following two welfare schemes in the field of skill development for rural poor youth for their gainful employment with a view to eradicate poverty in the country under the umbrella scheme of DeendayalAntyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM):-

I. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY): DDU-GKY is a placement linked skill development program for rural poor youth in the age group of 15-35 years. DDU-GKY guidelines provide for earmarking 50% of the funds for SCs and STs and 15% for minorities. Further, one third beneficiaries of the respective categories including general category covered under the scheme should be women. II. Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs): RSETI is a Bank lead- MoRD funded training institution established by the Sponsor Banks in their Districts, to provide training for Skill and Entrepreneurship Development. MoRD extends financial support for the construction of RSETI building and also bears the cost of training the Rural Poor candidates. Any unemployed youth in the age group of 18-45 years having an aptitude to take up self-employment or wage employment and having some basic knowledge in the related field can undergo training at RSETI. Some of the trained candidates may also seek regular salaried jobs / wage employment.

The details of the achievements during the last 3 years under DDU-GKY & RSETI are given as under:

Scheme	DDU-GKY		RSETI	
FY	Trained	Placed	Trained	Settled
2020-21	38289	49563	255141	185234
2021-22	97006	45612	314114	256429
2022-23	229024	142136	409802	325880

The Ministry of Rural Development has launched the Rural Mason Training (RMT) program under the Pradhan MantriAwaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G) to address the issue of insufficient number of skilled masons for construction of quality PMAY-G houses. The availability of skilled masons in rural areas is imperative to ensure that the houses constructed under the scheme are of good quality. The initiative not only avails livelihood opportunities for the rural workforce but also contributes towards the availability of a skilled workforce for the construction of rural infrastructure under different schemes. Therefore, the Rural Mason Training (RMT) Programme has been rolled out in assistance from the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under PMAY-G with a set target to train adequate number of masons by March, 2024. Under this initiative, so far 3.47 lakh candidates have been enrolled for training and 2.46 lakh candidates have been trained and certified.

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