### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1930 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2023

#### SMALL ENTERPRISES IN NAXAL AFFECTED AREAS

1930. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

Will the MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has taken/ proposes to take any steps to promote setting up of small enterprises in naxal affected tribal dominated areas in the country, particularly in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

#### **ANSWER**

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

(a) to (c): The Ministry of MSME, through its various schemes, programmes and policy initiatives, promotes setting up of micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in the country including tribal areas in State of Maharashtra. The Ministry of MSME's schemes/programmes inter alia include Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises, Micro and Small Enterprises-Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP), Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme (PMSS), International Cooperation Scheme, Tool Rooms, Technology Centre System Programme, National SC/ST Hub (NSSH), MSME Champions, etc. In addition, Ministry of MSME launched 'PM Vishwakarma' Scheme on 17.09.2023 to provide benefits to the artisans and craftspeople, working with their hands and tools, engaged in 18 trades covered under the Scheme.

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