GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION: 259

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ADVANCE TRAINING INSTITUTES IN TAMIL NADU

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

- (a) whether the Government has any plans to provide additional funds for Advance Training Institute (ATI), Chennai in Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the funds released for training programmes conducted by ATI in Tamil Nadu during the last three years and till date;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to increase funds for the industrial and vocational training in Tamil Nadu; and
- (e) whether the Government has allocated any additional funds for this purpose, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) & (b): The National Skill Training Institute (NSTI) Chennai, earlier called the Advance Training Institute (ATI), is a premier skill training institute under the aegis of the Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE). It provides comprehensive training in both hands-on skills and training methodology to the instructor trainees to make them conversant with techniques of imparting training to Trainers of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). It also runs customized short-term courses for meeting the upskilling needs of the industry under the Advanced Vocational Training Scheme (AVTS).

The initial Budget allotted to NSTI-Chennai for the Financial Year 2023-24 was Rs. 19.7750 crore (Rupees Nineteen crores seventy-seven lakhs and fifty thousand). However, as per the demand of the institute, it has now been Revised to Rs. 19.6098 crore (Rupees Nineteen crores sixty lakhs and ninety-eight thousand).

(c) The details of the budget/ funds released to NSTI Chennai in the last three Financial Years and also this Financial Year are given in the table below:

Table: Funds allotted to NSTI-Chennai

NSTI Chennai in Tamil Nadu								
Rupees in Thousands								
Name of Head	F.Y -2020-21		F.Y-2021-22		F.Y-2022-23		F.Y-2023-24	
	Budget All ocation	Expendit ure	Budget A llocation	Expendi ture	Budget Al location	Expendi ture	Budget Al location	Revised Estimate
Total Reve nue	13,29,34	13,24,46	14,01,90	13,54,65	16,00,00	15,61,50	17,41,78	17,33,26
Total Capit al	63,50	63,10	68,00	66,69	1,01,50	72,79	2,35,72	2,27,72
Total (Rev enue + Ca pital)	13,92,84	13,87,56	14,69,90	14,21,34	17,01,50	16,34,29	19,77,50	19,60,98

In addition to this budgetary allocation, NSTI Chennai has also been released funds under a World Bank Assisted project called "Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE)". This project aims at improving the relevance and efficiency of skills training provided through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and apprenticeships. Under STRIVE project, NSTI Chennai has been allocated Rs. 1.60 crores (Rupees One crore and sixty lakhs) in the Financial Year-2022-23. This fund is to upgrade the existing equipment and skill-labs in NSTI Chennai.

(d) & (e): There are two NSTIs located in the state of Tamil Nadu namely NSTI Chennai and an NSTI for Women in Trichy. The Budget allocated for these two NSTIs for the year 2023-24 is Rs. 26.8232 crores (Rupees Twenty-six crores eighty-two lakhs and thirty-two thousand).

In addition, under the Skill India Mission (SIM) launched by the Govt. of India, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), training is imparted for skilling, re-skilling and upskilling the youth, through an extensive network of skill development institutes under its various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) run in the ITIs. The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready & industry ready for gainful self/wage employment.

Under PMKVY, an amount of Rs. 17.11 crore (Rupees Seventeen crore and Eleven lakhs) have been spent for skilling in the state of Tamil Nadu in FY 23-24.

Under JSS Scheme, the total grants released to Tamil Nadu during the last three years and up to 30.01.2024 are Rs. 13.6296 crore (Rupees Thirteen crores sixty-two lakhs and ninety-six thousand).

Under the NAPS Scheme, an amount of Rs. 11.80 crore (Rupees Eleven Crore and Eighty Lakhs) has been released to the State of Tamil Nadu during the last three financial years and up to 30.01.2024.

Under the STRIVE project, in addition to the funds allocated for NSTI Chennai, the State Government of Tamil Nadu has also been released an amount of Rs. 28.70 crores (Rupees Twenty eight crores and seventy lakhs) for upgrading the skilling infrastructure of the Industrial Training Institutes and Industry Clusters in the State.
