

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1313
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.09.2020**

SKILL VOUCHER/WALLETS

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

- (a) whether the Government has recently introduced skill vouchers/skill wallets to incentivize aspirants to undertake skill programme of their own choice and if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives behind introducing such vouchers along with the details of the benefits that are likely to be attained;
- (b) whether the Government plans to shift from subsidy-based system to incentive based Skill India Mission if so, whether the Government has been able to achieve the objectives and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the amount of fund allocated for the said project and the other steps taken by the Government to boost Skill India throughout the country?
- (d) whether issuing skill vouchers to youths has helped in undertaking various skilling programmes and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government has received any complaint from youths regarding redemption of skill vouchers/skill wallets and if so, the details thereof and the corrective steps taken in this regard?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI R. K. SINGH)**

- (a) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship presently is not implementing any skill vouchers/skill wallets scheme.
- (b) The Ministry is implementing its flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 2016-20 which is a grant based scheme. Incentive structure is built into the scheme, the incentive being dependent on the number of trained persons getting actually employed or self employed after training.

(c) Under the PMKVY scheme, so far Rs. 6221.39 Cr. has been released to National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and States/UTs. In addition to PMKVY, the Ministry of Skill Development also runs other skill development schemes such as Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS), creation/improvement of long term training infrastructure of Industrial Training Institutes (ITI), etc. In addition, 20 other Central Ministries / Departments are also implementing more than 40 other skill development programmes.

(d) and (e) In view of (a), question does not arise.
