

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2083
TO BE ANSWERED ON 08.03.2021**

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURSHIP

2083. SHRI RAJU BISTA :

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

- (a) the details of the programme launched by Government to promote women entrepreneurship across the country State-wise including West Bengal;
- (b) the details of schemes/ programmes implemented in the District of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur;
- (c) the details of any Self-help Groups capacity building programme undertaken in the District of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur; and
- (d) the details of support provided to women led Start-ups in the District of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and North Dinajpur?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): To encourage women entrepreneurship within the Country, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing the pilot project, 'Economic Empowerment of Women Entrepreneurs and Startups by Women' in collaboration with Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) Germany. The project pilots incubation and acceleration programmes for women micro entrepreneurs to start new businesses and scale up existing enterprises in Assam, Rajasthan and Telangana. The project has the target to pilot the incubation programme with 250 women and the acceleration programme with 100 women. The first cohort of the support programme ended in April-May, 2020 and the second cohort has commenced in July, 2020.

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is also implementing Pradhan Mantri YUVA (PM YUVA) Yojana, a pilot scheme, for creating an enabling ecosystem through entrepreneurship education, training, advocacy and easy access to entrepreneurship network. The scheme covers 10 States and 2 Union Territories (viz. i.e. Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Bihar, West Bengal, Assam, Meghalaya, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Kerala, Delhi and Puducherry). State-wise details (including West Bengal) of beneficiaries (Men and Women separately) covered under Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) and Mentoring Camps organised under the project, are as per details at **Annexure-I**. In Kalimpong district of West Bengal, a three day Mentoring Camp was organised with 36 flower nursery nanopreneurs (including 24 women participants) towards creation of a Farmer Producers Organisation (FPO) with the local support from Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Darjeeling.

Further, Govt. of India through Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) is implementing the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), which has the target to generate self-employment opportunities through establishment of micro enterprises for non-farm sector. The maximum cost of projects covered under the Scheme is Rs. 25 lakh in the manufacturing sector and Rs. 10 lakh in the service sector. Benefit can be availed under PMEGP for setting up of new units only. For beneficiaries belonging to special categories (such as Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe/OBC /minorities/**women**, ex-serviceman, physically handicapped, NER, Hill and Border areas, etc.), the margin money subsidy is 35% in rural areas and 25% in urban areas. The State-wise break-up (including West Bengal) of micro units established by women under PMEGP, during the period from 2018-19 to 2019-20, is given in **Annexure-II**. The details about the beneficiaries covered in the districts of Darjeeling, Kalimpong and

North Dinajpur of West Bengal for the last three years (i.e. 2017-18 to 2019-20) are as under:-

Name of the District	Number of units established pertaining to women entrepreneurs	Margin money Subsidy disbursed (Rs. In lakh)	Employment Opportunities generated
Darjeeling	66	152.71	270
Kalimpong	04	13.88	42
North Dinajpur	06	10.56	53
	76	177.15	365

Furthermore, Ministry of Rural Development is implementing Skill development program through Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs) enabling a trainee to take Bank credit and start his/her own Micro-enterprise. RSETIs is a Bank led initiative of Ministry of Rural Development, set up with dedicated infrastructure in each district of the country sponsored, managed and run by Banks with active co-operation from the Government of India and State Government. Presently 585 RSETIs are functional in 27 states (except Goa) and 6 UTs (except Delhi, Chandigarh and Daman & Diu). The scheme is applicable to all the categories including women. Any unemployed youth in the age group of 18-45 years, irrespective of caste, creed, religion, gender and economic status, having aptitude to take up self-employment or wage employment and having some basic knowledge in the related field can undergo training under RSETI. The State/UT-wise total and women candidates trained and settled during the last three years (i.e. 2018-19 to 2020-21) is given in **Annexure-III**.

The physical achievement of women (no. of women candidates trained and settled) in Darjeeling and North Dinajpur under the Scheme during the last three years and current year is given below:-

Financial Year	2018-19		2019-20		2020-21 (as on January, 2021)	
	Women Candidates Trained	Women Candidates Settled	Women Candidates Trained	Women Candidates Settled	Women Candidates Trained	Women Candidates Settled
CBI Darjeeling	324	113	482	235	64	293
UNBI Uttar Dinajpur	454	258	416	385	88	186

In addition to the above, Ministry of Rural Development is also implementing Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) which aims at eliminating rural poverty through promotion of multiple livelihoods for each rural poor household. Out of the SHG beneficiaries of 60,18,886 covered under NRLM Pan-India, 5,54,200 are from West Bengal (Darjeeling GT Area including Kalimpong – 5315 and Uttar Darjeeling – 7,898). Under the Sub-scheme i.e. Start-up Village Entrepreneurship Programme (SVEP) covered under DAY-NRLM, a total of 194,144 enterprises have been set-up (up to 31st January, 2021) Pan-India including 5953 in West Bengal (Darjeeling GT Area including Kalimpong – 195 and Uttar Darjeeling – 3).

Annexure-I referred in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No 2083 to be answered on 08.03.2021

Entrepreneurship Development Program under Pilot Project (PM YUVA)				
	State	Gender		
		Men	Women	Total
1	Assam	280	749	1029
2	Bihar	752	601	1353
3	Delhi	527	478	1005
4	Kerala	1143	674	1817
5	Maharashtra	1038	495	1533
6	Meghalaya	196	153	349
7	Puducherry	113	1	114
8	Tamil Nadu	451	24	475
9	Telangana	1348	778	2126
10	Uttar Pradesh	3648	662	4310
11	Uttarakhand	717	372	1089
12	West Bengal	1727	781	2508
	Total	11940	5768	17708
Mentoring Camp under Pilot Project (PM YUVA)				
	State	Gender		
		Men	Women	Total
1	Assam	19	210	229
2	Bihar	20	67	87
3	Delhi	55	107	162
4	Kerala	17	142	159
5	Maharashtra	2	242	244
6	Tamil Nadu	35	105	140
7	Telangana	3	81	84
8	Uttar Pradesh	44	160	204
9	Uttarakhand	30	71	101
10	West Bengal	97	221	318
		322	1406	1728

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State-wise break-up (including West Bengal) of micro units established by women under PMEGP

	State/UT	No. of projects (women)	
		2018-19	2019-20
1	Andaman Nicobar	51	17
2	Andhra Pradesh	1101	1113
3	Arunachal	99	77
4	Assam	999	798
5	Bihar	861	582
6	Chandigarh-UT	13	8
7	Chattisgarh	726	670
8	Delhi	54	41
9	Goa	30	36
10	Gujarat*	2382	2719
11	Haryana	547	592
12	Himachal	528	447
13	Jammu & Kashmir	2449	1861
14	Jharkhand	428	451
15	Karnataka	1086	1167
16	Kerala	1052	1003
17	Ladakh	0	0
18	Lakshadweep	0	0
19	Madhya Pradesh	738	627
20	Maharashtra**	1965	1636
21	Manipur	533	518
22	Meghalaya	126	117
23	Mizoram	542	389
24	Nagaland	535	481
25	Odisha	1185	1160
26	Puducherry	29	21
27	Punjab	703	681
28	Rajasthan	524	732
29	Sikkim	27	29
30	Tamil Nadu	2463	2841
31	Telangana	668	735
32	Tripura	248	219
33	Uttar Pradesh	1433	1574
34	Uttarakhand	499	467
35	West Bengal	810	911
	Total	25434	24720

*Including Daman & Diu, **Including Dadra & Nagar Haveli

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State/UT wise Progress of Women under RSETI (as on 31.01.2021)

Sl. No.	State/UT	2018-19				2019-20				2020-21till Jan 2021			
		Total		Women		Total		Women		Total		Women	
		Trained	Settled	Trained	Settled	Trained	Settled	Trained	Settled	Trained	Settled	Trained	Settled
1	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	494	270	312	142	489	316	352	213	285	77	257	72
2	Andhra Pradesh	10645	8790	6284	5393	9884	7179	6485	4515	2025	2346	1410	1666
3	Arunachal Pradesh	360	70	234	30	211	294	105	133	9	57	5	23
4	Assam	13087	9678	8299	5784	11922	7680	8387	5325	3857	2035	2993	1341
5	Bihar	26688	19255	16706	12637	24961	18393	14648	11450	8760	6376	4776	3630
6	Chattisgarh	12735	9981	8945	6608	12146	8209	9348	6344	4093	3158	3881	2664
7	D & N Haveli	775	553	584	398	763	509	557	383	436	214	369	205
8	Goa	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Gujarat	21470	16751	18999	15004	20447	14321	17688	12861	5952	5056	5708	4590
10	Haryana	15267	8702	8662	4453	14391	10266	9374	6417	7254	4382	5360	2972
11	Himachal Pradesh	5499	4085	4188	3009	4949	3541	4073	2661	2020	1202	1794	1000
12	Jammu & Kashmir	9306	6726	4639	3284	8662	7022	4618	3662	2766	2109	1731	1118
13	Jharkhand	17969	12033	14246	9457	15911	12630	12762	10769	7203	4674	5748	3702
14	Karnataka	26041	20434	15171	11456	24676	20257	14775	12445	9480	8504	4975	5060
15	Kerala	10532	9422	8008	7541	10236	9610	7941	7402	2653	2445	2131	1967
16	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	36	0	36	0	115	49	115	49
17	Madhya Pradesh	35194	22858	23736	14609	31521	20982	21362	14353	11540	10115	9384	7535
18	Maharashtra	25671	19612	16386	12543	24614	19668	17601	14249	10862	6811	8918	5350
19	Manipur	382	268	324	214	495	351	306	247	192	218	84	183
20	Meghalaya	1470	1287	908	866	1629	989	1087	628	683	563	540	403
21	Mizoram	502	365	333	268	939	957	556	548	222	135	96	29
22	Nagaland	355	517	274	330	356	202	209	126	90	77	68	31
23	Odisha	21803	17117	17589	14194	20489	14933	17269	12953	10497	7448	9728	6694
24	Pondicherry	850	626	520	398	762	543	541	388	478	69	352	47
25	Punjab	10516	6797	7627	4704	9280	5605	6775	3907	4155	3109	3283	2270
26	Rajasthan	28602	21552	21052	15947	27023	18789	21310	14620	12073	7406	10383	5759
27	Sikkim	389	206	264	114	364	489	223	350	72	99	50	36
28	Tamil Nadu	24226	19796	14843	11510	27112	17790	19715	12157	9961	6820	8060	4914
29	Telangana	6864	5669	3331	2903	6435	5714	3765	3049	2282	1331	1263	881
30	Tripura	2788	2345	1425	1309	2533	1775	1493	936	1093	623	826	301
31	UT Ladakh	0	0		0	603	233	235	101	154	211	126	71
32	Uttar Pradesh	52721	36600	34636	23416	50845	38051	35508	27717	23382	15874	18411	11060
33	Uttarakhand	7322	5524	5520	3894	6765	5387	5134	4125	5209	3209	3930	2450
34	West Bengal	13149	8418	9755	6278	12576	8960	9897	6976	2656	2129	2256	1796

