

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

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3406
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2021**

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR THE YOUTH OF RURAL AREAS

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

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any plan for promotion of Skill Development Training Programmes for youths of rural areas of the country according to the needs of the rural economy so that exodus to big cities in search of job can be prevented;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details/types of the Skill Development Programmes available for youths of rural and remote areas?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)**

- (a) The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has taken various initiatives for Skill Development of the youth across the country including rural areas.
- (b) The Ministry has been implementing following schemes such as Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS), for short term skill training and Craftsmen Training Scheme, for long term skill training to the prospective youth of the country both in urban and rural areas. The details of Institutions / Training Centres / Establishment operational to impart skill training under the above mentioned schemes are as follows:

S.No.	Schemes	Institutes/Training Centres/Establishments
1	PMKVY	2050
2	JSS	233
3	NAPS	18353
4	CTS (ITI)	14604

Further, District Skill Committees (DSCs), under the guidance of respective State Skill Development Missions (SSDMs), are playing a key role in addressing the skill gap and assessing demand at the district level including in rural areas. The DSCs have been entrusted with the development of District Skill Development Plans (DSDPs) to promote decentralized planning and implementation at the grassroots. To build capacity of the DSCs and to help them manage skill development planning and program delivery, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) attaches Mahatma Gandhi National Fellows with the district administration. The Fellows are posted as part of their academic programme in premier

management institutes, which has an in-built component of on-ground practical experience. So far, a total of 512 DSDPs have been received from 31 States/ Union Territories. The DSDPs identify sectors in which employment opportunities and demand for skilling exists. These activities are performed under the World Bank assisted programme Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP) for strengthening of skilling institutions.

Under the Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) scheme, the Non-Government Organisations (NGOs) engaged as the JSS go to the rural areas for outreach programmes for skill training.

(c) The Ministry has been implementing various schemes such as Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsmen Training Scheme, for providing skill development training to the prospective youth of the country both in urban and rural areas. The details of candidates benefited under the above schemes since 2015-16 to 2020-21 are as follows:

Figures in lakh

S.No.	Schemes	Candidates trained (in lakh)
1	PMKVY	129.93
2	JSS	18.17
3	NAPS	11.42
4	CTS	75.63
