

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

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1267
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.12.2021**

POLYTECHNIC PROGRAMME

1267. ADV. A.M. ARIFF:

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

- (a) whether the Government provides financial assistance to states including Kerala for the Community Development through Polytechnic programme;
- (b) if so, the details of funds earmarked and released for the State of Kerala from FY 2018-19 to FY 2021-22 for this programme;
- (c) whether the Government has received request from the Government of Kerala for expediting the release of pending funds for the above said programme in Financial Year 2019-20 & 2020-21 and if so, the status thereof.
- (d) the time by which Government will release the pending funds for the upgradation of 48 polytechnics in Kerala as requested by the State Government of Kerala?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes Sir, the Government provides financial assistance to States including Kerala for the sub-scheme 'Community Development through Polytechnics (CDTP)'.
- (b) The sub-scheme CDTP was transferred from Ministry of Education (formerly MHRD) to Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and further to Directorate of General of Training (DGT) in September, 2018. The concurrence from Ministry of Finance to incur expenditure under the sub-scheme was upto November, 2018 only. Therefore, Grant-in-aid was not released under the sub-scheme upto March, 2020. For FY 2020-21, grant-in-aid of Rs. 80.00 Lakhs was earmarked for Government of Kerala out of which Rs. 77.00 Lakhs released as per the availability of funds; to the Government of Kerala for CDTP sub-scheme. For current FY 2021-22, grant-in-aid of Rs 50.00 Lakhs has been earmarked and grant-in-aid to be released will be subject to availability of funds.
- (c) The Government has received request from the Government of Kerala for expediting the release of pending amounts for the above said programme in financial year 2019-20 & 2020-21. During FY 2020-21, grant-in-aid amounting to Rs. 77.00 Lakhs has already been released for the said sub-scheme.
- (d) For upgradation of 48 Polytechnics in Kerala, the Government of Kerala has been requested to utilize unspent funds of Rs. 13.11 crores and furnish all documents; in line with the directions from Ministry of Finance in order to process for release of pending funds;
