

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.419  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 30.11.2021**

**IMPLEMENTATION OF PM-DAKSH**

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**Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is implementing Pradhan Mantri Dakshta Aur Kushalta Sampann Hitgarhi (PMDAKSH) yojana in the country, if so, the details thereof alongwith its aims and objectives;
- (b) the amount of funds allocated by the Government under PM-DAKSH since its inception, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has launched awareness programme about the Yojana and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
- (d) whether the Government has recently launched PM-DAKSH portal and PM-DAKSH mobile app, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the details of number of trained candidates who benefited from the said yojana and are provided placement after assessment and certification, State/UTwise including Maharashtra, Uttar Pradesh and Andaman and Nicobar islands;
- (f) whether the Government has set any target to provide skill development to the target groups backward classes, scheduled castes (SCs) and Safai Karamcharis for self-employment, if so, the details thereof; and
- (g) the other steps taken by the Government to make the skill development scheme to reach every marginalized, persons of SC, OBC, EBC, DNT, Sanitation workers in the country?

## ANSWER

### MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

(SUSHRI PRATIMA BHOUMIK)

(a): Yes, Sir. Details of the scheme including its aims and objective are given at **Annexure-I**.

(b): Funds under the scheme are allocated as per the training course, and not State/UT-wise. There are 3 implementing Agencies i.e National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC), National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) and National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC). Funds allocated to them, year-wise are as under:

(Rupees in Crores)

Sl. No.	Corporations	2020-21	2021-22
1	NSFDC	17.61	38.94
2	NBCFDC	20.28	32.77
3	NSKFDC	6.90	8.48
<b>Total</b>		<b>44.79</b>	<b>80.19</b>

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. This Ministry has taken various steps to create awareness about the Yojana amongst the target group through the following modes:

(i) Advertisement in 73 regional and national newspapers.

(ii) Advertisement in various Websites.

(iii) Awareness through Training Institutes and State Channelizing Agencies.

(iv) Publicity through Social media platforms such as Facebook, WhatsApp etc.

Besides, The PM-DAKSH Portal and PM-DAKSH Mobile App have been launched by the Hon'ble Union Minister (SJE) on 07.08.2021. The URL of PM-DAKSH Portal is "pmdaksh.dosje.gov.in" and Mobile App "PM-DAKSH" is available on Play Store. 53,477 candidates have registered themselves online through this portal during 2021-22 as on 25.11.2021.

(e): Placements of trained candidates are done after completion of the training, assessment and certification. Due to outbreak of Covid-19, the training programmes were kept on hold during 2020-21 and have been resumed after the lockdown restrictions were lifted. The details of trained candidates who have benefited from the said Yojana and are provided placements during 2020-21 are given at **Annexure-II**.

(f): Yes, Sir. The Government has approved the continuation of PM-DAKSH Yojana for next five years i.e. from 2021-22 to 2025-26 and set the target to provide skill development training to 2,71,000 target groups belonging to Backward Classes, Scheduled Castes (SCs) and Safai Karamcharis with at least 70% in wage/self-employment, as per the Common Cost Norms.

The Year-wise targets set are as under:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Target</b>
2021-22	49,800
2022-23	51,900
2023-24	53,900
2024-25	56,450
2025-26	58,950
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,71,000</b>

(g): In order to expand the outreach of the scheme and cover the target groups including SC, OBC, EBC, DNT, Sanitation workers in the country, Government has given wide publicity to the PM-DAKSH scheme through advertisements in regional and national newspapers, advertisement on various Websites, publicity through social media platforms such as Facebook, WhatsApp, and also involved State Channelizing Agencies and Training Institutes etc.

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**Annexure-I referred in reply to part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 419 for answer on 30.11.2021 regarding Implementation of PM-DAKSH**

**1. Background**

The Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment (MoSJ&E), caters for empowerment of the socially, educationally and economically marginalized sections of the society including SCs, OBCs, De-notified Tribes (DNTs), EBCs, Safai Karamcharies including Waste Pickers. Most of the persons of target group are having minimal economic assets; therefore, provision of training and enhancing their competencies is essential for economic empowerment/upliftment of these marginalized target groups. In 2020-21, Department modified the existing Scheme of Assistance to skilling for OBCs/EBCs/DNTs with inclusion of SCs and Safai karamcharis including Waste pickers and renamed it as PM-DAKSH Yojana as Central Sector Scheme, to cover 37,958 beneficiaries with an outlay of Rs.50 Crore for FY 2020-21. SFC has approved the continuation of this scheme with a target to skill around **2,71,000** SC/OBC/EBC/DNT persons, Safai Karamcharis including Waste Pickers during next five years (2021-22 to 2025-26) with a budget outlay of **Rs.450.25 crore**. The scheme is to be implemented through three Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs), of the Ministry, i.e. National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC), National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation (NBCFDC) and National Safai Karamcharis Finance & Development Corporation (NSKFDC).

**2. Objective**

The main purpose of the scheme is to increase the skill levels of the target youth by providing for long term and short term skills, followed by settlement in employment/self-employment.

**3. Silent Features of PM DAKSH**

**3.1 Training Institutions** : The training is provided through Sector Training Institutes(TIs)/Training Partners(TPs) and Government Sector training institutions (including Autonomous bodies) enabling them to take up suitable job/self-employment opportunities.

**3.2 Compliance with Common Norms**; Training programmes are organized in broad pursuance of Common Norms issued by Ministry of Skill Development and courses are National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) aligned. Accordingly, SSCs/TIs providing Skill Development Training Programme (SDTP) under PM-DAKSH Yojana are required to provide wage/self employment to the trained candidates to the extent of 70%.

**3.3 Age of the candidates for undergoing skill training** : Beneficiaries between the age of 18-45 years are considered for SDTP.

**3.4 Stipend to the trainees**: Stipend @ Rs 1500/- per month/candidate to SCs/Safai Karamcharis/ dependants and @ Rs.1000/- per month/ candidate to OBCs/EBCs/DNTS dependants is provided on attaining 80% & above attendance. [*Under RPL for Safai Karamcharis stipend is paid @ Rs.500/- per candidate and for RPL for Wastepickers stipend is paid @ Rs.1000/- per candidate*].

3.5 The Corporations, namely National Scheduled Caste Finance & Development Corporation (NSFDC), National National Backward Classes Finance & Development Corporation (NBCFDC) & National Safai Karamcharis Finance & Development Corporation (NSKFDC) aspire to train 2.71 lakh persons from its target group over the period of 2021-22 to 2025-26, broadly in the following sub-categories:

- a. Up-skilling/Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)
- b. Short Term Courses
- c. Entrepreneurial Development Programmes (EDP)
- d. Long Term Courses

#### 4 . Targets

Physical and Financial targets during next five years (2021-22 to 2025-26) are as per table below:-

Component	(Rs in Lakhs)											
	2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26		Total	
	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.	Phy.	Fin.
	(Nos)		(Nos)		(Nos)		(Nos)		(Nos.)		(Nos.)	
Skill Training through Corporations	49800	8019	51900	8364	53900	9247	56450	9491	58950	9904	271000	45025

Annexure-II as referred in reply to part (e) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 419 for answer on 30.11.2021 regarding Implementation of PM-DAKSH.

Placement details as on 24.11.2021

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Number of Trainees employed		Total Employment
		Wage employment	Self-employment	
1	Andhra Pradesh	41	66	107
2	Assam	0	162	162
3	Bihar	158	559	717
4	Chhattisgarh	13	229	242
5	Delhi	0	39	39
6	Gujarat	111	387	498
7	Haryana	46	263	309
8	Himachal Pradesh	0	128	128
9	Jammu & Kashmir	72	266	338
10	Karnataka	0	128	128
11	Kerala	107	46	153
12	Madhya Pradesh	147	559	706
13	Maharashtra	119	121	240
14	Manipur	0	40	40
15	Odisha	34	67	101
16	Puducherry	8	0	8
17	Punjab	196	534	730
18	Rajasthan	0	463	463
19	Sikkim	32	13	45
20	Tamil Nadu	86	21	107
21	Telangana	2	95	97
22	Tripura	0	39	39
23	Uttar Pradesh	192	916	1108
24	Uttarakhand	0	237	237
25	West Bengal	42	339	381
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1406</b>	<b>5717</b>	<b>7123</b>