GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3106 TO BE ANSWERED ON AUGUST 04, 2022

LAUNCH OF NIPUN PROJECT

NO. 3106. SHRIMATI SANGEETA KUMARI SINGH DEO: SHRI KRIPANATH MALLAH:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- a) whether the Government has launched National Initiative for Promotion of Upskilling of Nirman Workers (NIPUN) projects for promotion of upskilling of over one lakh nirman workers in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- b) whether the Government has entrusted the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to implement the NIPUN projects in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the trainees are proposed to provide 'Kaushal Bima' three-years accidental insurance with coverage of Rs. 2 lakh, EPF and many other facilities, if so, the details thereof and the other steps being taken by the Government in this regard;
- d) the details of the targets likely to be set and the funds estimated and timeframe for completion under the said initiative;
- e) the areas/cities likely to be covered in the country, State-wise; and
- f) the time by which it is likely to be launched?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS (SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE)

(a), (b)& (f): Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has launched on June 20, 2022 an innovative project – NIPUN (National Initiative for Promotion of Upskilling of Nirman workers), as part of Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NULM).

NIPUN, inter-alia, includes on-site Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) of construction workers, and fresh skill training in job oriented courses in the construction and related sectors.

This project aims to skill train over one lakh construction workers in the National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) aligned courses, through a network of industry partners in construction sector and the related Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) i.e. Construction Skill Development Council of India (CSDCI), Water Management & Plumbing Skill Council (WMPSC) and Infrastructure and Equipment Sector skill Council (IESC).

National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has been engaged as the implementation agency.

- (c): Under RPL, certified candidates are extended benefits of the 'Kaushal Bima' i.e. three-years accidental insurance with coverage of ₹ 2 lakh. Further, training partners facilitate registration of eligible trainees under the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) and Building and other Construction Workers (BoCW).
- (d)& (e): The project, which is of 1 year duration, is estimated to cost ₹ 93 crore. The project is being implemented on Pan-India basis at construction sites, identified in collaboration with Training Partners.
