

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 53
ANSWERED ON -22/07/2024

WOMEN BENEFICIARIES IN PM VISHWAKARMA SCHEME

53. SHRI RAJU BISTA:

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

(a) whether the Government has any data on the overall success rate of women beneficiaries in securing employment or starting their own businesses after completing skill training under the PM Vishwakarma scheme in the country particularly in the State of West Bengal;

(b) the details skills and trades in which women have shown higher participation under the PM Vishwakarma scheme; and

(c) the details of the initiatives and policies that have led to the higher participation of women in comparison to men in the PM Vishwakarma scheme?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c) The PM Vishwakarma Scheme was launched on 17.09.2023. The Scheme aims to provide end-to-end support to artisans and craftspeople who work with their hands and tools. The Scheme components include recognition through PM Vishwakarma Certificate and ID Card, Skill Upgradation, Toolkit Incentive, Credit Support, Incentive for Digital Transactions and Marketing Support. Under the skilling component, the scheme aims to help artisans, including women artisans, enhance their traditional skills, acquire new techniques and produce improved products.

The scheme covers 18 trades. The artisans and craftspeople, including women, covered under these 18 trades are usually self-employed and are generally considered a part of the informal or unorganized sector of the economy. The beneficiaries under the scheme are also registered on the Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) which makes them eligible to be considered for Priority Sector Lending.

As on 18.07.2024 a total of 2,28,17,230 artisans have been enrolled and 13,94,942 beneficiaries have been successfully registered out of which 5,42,222 are women. The total number of enrollments in West Bengal under the scheme is 7,73,617 of which 2,32,022 are women.

Further, 5,03,161 candidates have been provided with basic training in the Scheme across the country, out of which 2,74,703 are female. State/UT wise details of number of female candidates and total candidates certified in Basic Training under PM Vishwakarma Scheme is given at Annexure I.

Tailor (Darzi), Malakaar, Doll & Toy Maker (Traditional), Basket Maker/ Basket Waver: Mat Maker/ Coir Weaver/ Broom Maker and Washerman (Dhobi) are the five trades in which the number of female candidates is higher than 50% as on 15th July 2024. The details are given at Annexure II.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 53 TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2024

State/UT wise details of number of female candidates and total candidates certified in Basic Training under PM Vishwakarma Scheme

S. No	State/UT	Number of Female candidates certified under Basic Skill Training	Total Number of candidates certified under Basic Skill Training
1	Andhra Pradesh	38,120	46,726
2	Assam	13,378	28,015
3	Bihar	2,371	3,800
4	Chandigarh	33	33
5	Chhattisgarh	9,252	13,926
6	Goa	2,243	2,425
7	Gujarat	37,984	79,632
8	Haryana	3,077	7,202
9	Himachal Pradesh	519	1,225
10	Jammu And Kashmir	30,695	81,485
11	Jharkhand	2,496	8,343
12	Karnataka	85,480	1,09,172
13	Kerala	272	576
14	Ladakh	826	1,009
15	Madhya Pradesh	6,767	16,548
16	Maharashtra	14,679	35,879
17	Manipur	463	691
18	Nagaland	110	194
19	Odisha	1,480	6,585
20	Punjab	1,061	1,547
21	Rajasthan	6,567	23,338
22	Telangana	4,611	12,127
23	Tripura	908	3,211
24	Uttar Pradesh	8,338	16,273
25	Uttarakhand	2,973	3,199
Grand Total		2,74,703	5,03,161

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Details of five trades in which the number of female candidates is higher than 50% as on 15th July 2024

S. No.	Trade Name	Female	Male	Total Basic Training Certified	Percentage of Female certified candidates w.r.t certified total certified candidates
1	Tailor (Darzi)	2,41,414	26,395	2,67,809	90.14%
2	Malakaar	11,658	3,065	14,723	79.18%
3	Doll & Toy Maker (Traditional)	867	304	1,171	74.04%
4	Basket Maker/ Basket Waver: Mat Maker/ Coir Weaver/ Broom Maker	3,899	1,848	5,747	67.84%
5	Washerman (Dhobi)	3,927	3,434	7,361	53.35%
