

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 15**  
ANSWERED ON 03.02.2025

**SKILL DEVELOPMENT OF MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES**

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Shri P P Chaudhary: Shri Bidyut Baran Mahato:  
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that marginalised and deprived communities benefit from the Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE) initiative;
- (b) whether there are any future expansion plans for the STRIVE initiative, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is planning to include any new skill sectors or industries under the said initiative;
- (d) the total number of individuals from said communities being trained from Karnataka especially from Chikkaballapur; and
- (e) the details of various schemes and policies of the Government helped in uplifting and empowering said communities of Karnataka?

**ANSWER**

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) Sir, Directorate General of Training under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship implemented the Skill Strengthening for Value Enhancement (STRIVE) project, which was a Government of India project with the assistance of World Bank. Under the STRIVE Project, a total of 500 ITIs (which include 467 Government ITIs and 33 Private ITIs) were selected for upgradation.

The objective of the STRIVE Project was to strengthen, upgrade and enhance the learning infrastructure in the Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), which would help all trainees including from marginalized and deprived communities.

(b) and (c) No sir, STRIVE project has already been concluded on 31.05.2024 and there is no future expansion plans for STRIVE initiative.

(d) and (e) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implements various schemes for providing skill training to various sections of society. Details of these schemes along with the number of individuals benefited from them in State of Karnataka and in Chikkaballapur district are given below:

- Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS): The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), implements the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through a network of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) to benefit youth from all communities across the country, including Karnataka.

In ITIs, craftsmen training is provided in 166 NSQF aligned trades. Each trade has a dedicated course curriculum. The duration of training is usually for one and two years. The training courses have been designed to impart basic skills and knowledge in the trades so as to prepare trainee for employment as a semiskilled worker.

At present, there are 14,619 ITIs established in the country out of which 3,316 ITIs are Government ITIs and 11,303 ITIs are Private ITIs. There are a total of 1,466 ITIs (274 Govt. ITIs and 1,192 Pvt. ITIs) in the State of Karnataka. Over the last five years, 3,28,073 students from marginalized communities have been trained in ITIs in Karnataka out of which 5,968 are from Chikkaballapur district.

- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY): " Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing its flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), since 2015, for imparting skill development training through Short-Term Training (STT) and up-skilling and re-skilling through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) to youth across the country including State of Karnataka. Under this scheme, a total number of 69,126 beneficiaries have been certified from the marginalized communities in the State of Karnataka out of which 1253 are from Chikkaballapur district.
- Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS): The Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) Scheme, initially launched as Shramik Vidyapeeth (SVP) in 1967, aims to provide skill training in a non-formal mode at the doorsteps of the beneficiary through registered Societies (NGOs) with 100% grant from the Government of India. The objective of the scheme is to increase the household income by promoting self/wage employment through skill development training. The main target of the JSS is to impart vocational skills to the non-literates, neo-literates and persons having rudimentary level of education upto 8th standard and school dropouts upto 12th standard in the age group of 15-45 years. So far, 28.83 lakhs beneficiaries have been trained under the JSS Scheme throughout the country. In Karnataka, a total no. of 64,451 beneficiaries have been trained from the marginalized communities in the last five years. There is no functional JSS in the Chikkaballapur district of Karnataka.
- Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion ("SANKALP"): The SANKALP Project was launched in 2018 by the MSDE with a support from World Bank and is scheduled for closure on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. It aims to improve short term skill training qualitatively and quantitatively through strengthening institutions, bring in better market connectivity and inclusion of marginalized sections of the society. As part of State component of SANKALP, MSDE has released a total of Rs 34.02 crore (Central & State share) to the State of Karnataka. A total of 67 projects aligned with result areas of SANKALP, have been implemented by the State of Karnataka, out of which 29 projects have already been completed. 4000 beneficiaries from marginalized communities have benefited from these projects in Karnataka, out of which 196 are from Chikkaballapur district.

The number of individuals from marginalized communities who have been trained from the State of Karnataka and Chikkaballapur district in particular, during the last five years from these schemes is tabulated below:

Scheme Name	No. of Individuals Trained- Karnataka State	No. of Individuals Trained- Chikkaballapur District
Craftsmen Training Scheme	3,28,073	5,968
Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana	69,126	1,253
Jan Shikshan Sansthan	64,451	No functional JSS
SANKALP	4,000	196

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