GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

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WORK DONE UNDER PMIS IN VALMIKI NAGAR QUESTION

1705. Shri Sunil Kumar:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes being formulated to expand the PM Internship Scheme, especially in terms of the number of internships available and the sector covered:
- (b) whether the Government proposes to implement certain measures to remove any barriers that prevent people from participating in the PM Internship Scheme so that inclusivity and diversity among interns are ensured; and
- (c) if so, the details of the work being done under this scheme in Valmiki Nagar Lok Sabha Constituency of Bihar along with the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS AND MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

[SHRI HARSH MALHOTRA]

(a): The Prime Minister's Internship Scheme (PMIS) was announced in the Budget 2024-25. It aims to provide internship opportunities to one crore youth in top 500 companies in five years. As an initiation to this Scheme, Ministry of Corporate Affairs has launched a Pilot Project of the Scheme on 3rd October, 2024, which is targeted to provide 1.25 lakh internship opportunities to the youth in the Financial Year 2024-25. The Scheme is being implemented through an online portal https://pminternship.mca.gov.in. In the first round of the PMIS Pilot Project, which commenced in October 2024, more than 1.27 lakh internship opportunities were provided by the Partner Companies. Round II of the Pilot Project commenced in January 2025 and companies have posted more than 1.18 lakh opportunities (both new and edited unfilled opportunities of previous round) across the country. Partner Companies for the PM Internship Scheme- Pilot Project, include the top 500 companies selected on the basis of average Corporate Social Responsibility

(CSR) expenditure in the last 3 years, which covers a large number of diverse sectors including Aviation and Defence, Automotive, Banking and Financial Services, Chemical Industry, Oil, Gas and Energy etc. Further, Scheme guidelines have a provision that any company/ bank/ financial institution desirous of participating in the Scheme may approach the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), which would take a view keeping in view underrepresented sectors.

(b) & (c): The PM Internship Scheme Portal (Portal) which serves as a centralized platform for end-to-end Scheme implementation and internship lifecycle management, is accessible in 12 different languages, to enhance inclusivity from different geographical regions of the country.

As per the Guidelines of the PMIS- Pilot Project, a pool of candidates based on the number of applications received from all parts of the country, is shortlisted for each internship opportunity through the Portal. The shortlisting process is aimed at promoting diversity and social inclusivity in the internship program through providing for representation of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Other Backward Classes as well as Persons with Disabilities in the shortlist sent to the concerned company for further selection as per their respective processes and criterion. Further, Ministry of Corporate Affairs is actively working with various stakeholders such as state governments, central government ministries & departments, and industry associations for promotion and implementation of the scheme. The Ministry is also carrying out Information, Education and Communication activities to reach out to the target groups across the country.

In Round I of the PMIS - Pilot Project, approximately 121 offers were extended by the companies to candidates from West Champaran, out of which 45 candidates accepted the offers. Till date 12 candidates from West Champaran have joined their internship.

In the ongoing round II, 15 internship opportunities have been provided by the partner companies in West Champaran district of Bihar, which falls under Valmiki Nagar Lok Sabha Constituency of Bihar. The application process for the candidates in the Round II is ongoing.
