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SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP SCHEMES IN KERALA

2558. SHRI SHAFI PARAMBIL:

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

- (a) the details of the skill development and entrepreneurship schemes being implemented by the Government to provide employment and entrepreneurship opportunities for youth in the State of Kerala;
- (b) the number of training centres set up for the skill development training for youths along with such training centres in the Vadamakkal constituency; and
- (c) whether the Government is planning to set up such centres aimed at youth entrepreneurship training in the said constituency, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c): Under the Govt of India's Skill India Mission (SIM), the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to all the sections of the society across the country including the state of Kerala. The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready and equipped with industry relevant skills.

The skill development schemes of MSDE are demand driven and the training centres are set up or engaged on need basis across the country. The details of the training centres set up or engaged under various schemes of MSDE in the country as well as in Kerala and Vadamakkal constituency (Kannur and Kozhikode District of Kerala) are as under:

	PMKVY Centres	JSS Centres	NAPS Establishments	ITIs	
				Govt	Pvt
Pan India	14,844	289	49,788	3,316	11,296
Kerala	145	09	1,904	149	297
Kannur District	04	-	233	11	23
Kozhikode District	12	-	192	16	29

Further, MSDE through its autonomous institutions, i.e, National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), Noida and Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), Guwahati has taken various initiatives to promote entrepreneurship across the country including state of Kerala. Details of some of initiatives taken by MSDE to promote entrepreneurship across the country including the state of Kerala:

(i) Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM JANMAN) - MSDE through its autonomous institutes (NIESBUD and IIE) is implementing the skilling and entrepreneurship component of PM JANMAN- a scheme of Ministry of Tribal Affairs for upliftment of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs). NIESBUD has conducted training of 37,642 participants across the country, including 425 participants in the state of Kerala during 2024-25.

(ii) Entrepreneurial Climate through Training of Trainers (ToTs) and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) in Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSSs) - NIESBUD has implemented a project for creating entrepreneurial climate through the ToTs and EDP programs in JSSs from October 2022 to September 2023. The project aimed at creating, fostering and promoting the spirit of entrepreneurship among the various target groups through capacity building, mentoring and handholding. NIESBUD has conducted training of 2,633 participants, which includes training of 69 Trainers during 2022-23 in the state of Kerala.

(iii) NIESBUD has conducted awareness and sensitization programmes at National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) and Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) between October 2023 to May 2024 under the Skill Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE) scheme. These activities were followed by the selection of prospective entrepreneurs to undergo the Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP), provision of mentoring and handholding support to help trainees establish their enterprises. NIESBUD has conducted training of 77,430 participants across the country.

(iv) Capacity Building Programme for Fair Price Shop Owners - NIESBUD, in collaboration with the Department of Food and Public Distribution, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, has undertaken a Capacity Building Programme for Fair Price Shop (FPS) Owners. The project enables the FPS owners to run their businesses by equipping them with in- depth knowledge of various facets of entrepreneurship, financial and digital literacy, and government support ecosystem. NIESBUD has conducted training of 315 participants across the country.

(v) Under the Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE) scheme, IIE has established entrepreneurship development cells across NSTIs and ITIs in the Northeastern Region. IIE has conducted Entrepreneurship Awareness Programs (EAPs), Entrepreneurship Development Programs (EDPs) and Faculty Development Programs (FDPs) followed by mentoring and handholding. IIE has trained 11,000 candidates through EAP and 8,332 through EDP. Further, 80 faculties from 94 ITIs and 2 NSTIs have received specialized training through FDPs.
