

SAMARTH SCHEME

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Will the Minister of TEXTILES वस्त्र मंत्री
be pleased to state :

- (a) whether the Government has extended Samarth Scheme for another two years, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) the details of the number of beneficiaries trained under the Samarth Scheme since its inception along with the placement rates and employment outcomes;
- (c) whether Samarth Scheme has contributed to the growth of the textile industry in terms of employment generation, exports and domestic production and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the manner in which the scheme has impacted the livelihoods of beneficiaries particularly those from marginalized communities or rural areas;
- (e) whether curriculum offered under the Samarth Scheme align with latest technological advancements and emerging trends in the textile industry and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether there are any specific skill gaps that the scheme is prioritizing to address such as digital skills, sustainable manufacturing practices or design innovation and if so, the details thereof?

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ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
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(a): The Samarth Scheme has been extended for FY 2024-25 to FY 2025-26 to train 3 lakh persons, owing to completion of previously allocated targets.

(b) & (c): The Samarth scheme is aimed to provide demand driven, placement oriented National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes to incentivize and supplement the efforts of the industry in creating jobs in the organized textile and related sectors, covering the entire value chain of textiles, excluding Spinning and Weaving. Till 29.01.2025, 3.56 lakh beneficiaries have been successfully trained (pass), of these 2.85 lakh (80%) beneficiaries have been placed.

(d): Samarth scheme is implemented on demand driven basis across the country and preference is given to marginalized social groups such as SC, ST etc. in the training programme under the scheme. As on 29.01.2025, a total of around 1.41 lakh beneficiaries from SC/ST groups have been trained (pass) amounting to 40% of total trained (pass) beneficiaries under the Scheme.

(e) & (f): Samarth scheme is broadly aligned with policy framework for skill development viz. Common Norms, National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) adopted by Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) for standardization of course curriculum and industry validation. Currently, courses offered under Samarth range from traditional sector courses to advance level courses such as Industrial Engineer (IE) Executive, Advance Pattern Maker (CAD/CAM), Technical Textiles and Sustainability etc., for the Implementing Partners (IPs) to opt from.
