

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4073  
ANSWERED ON 25/03/2025**

**SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT FOR RURAL ENTREPRENEURS**

**4073. SHRI B K PARTHASARATHI:**

**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details and number of States in which Sustainable Transport for Rural Entrepreneurs through Electric bicycles (STREE) pilot programme is being implemented;**
- (b) the details and number of e-bicycles planned to be distributed and the number of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) going to benefit as a part of this programme, State-wise;**
- (c) the details of funds sanctioned and released for this programme, State-wise; and**
- (d) the number of training sessions targeted to be held under this programme, State-wise?**

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
(DR. CHANDRA SEKHAR PEMMASANI)**

**(a): Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), a joint venture under the Ministry of Power, through its 100% subsidiary CESL (Convergence Energy Services Limited) which focuses on electric mobility and charging infrastructure have collaborated with Ministry of Rural Development for a pilot project titled Sustainable Transport for Rural Entrepreneurs through Electric Bicycles (STREE), which involves distribution of cargo electric cycles to SHG women entrepreneurs across four states – Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala, and Andhra Pradesh.**

**(b): The details of States along with the number of electric bicycles planned to be distributed is provided in the table below which will benefit 1800 SHG women entrepreneurs:**

<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>States</b>	<b>Number of Cargo Electric Bicycles (Unit) under process of distribution</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Kerala</b>	<b>600</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Bihar</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>300</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1800</b>

**(c): Funds are not sanctioned or released to EESL/CESL by the Government of India or any State Government under this pilot project (STREE). However, the pilot is being implemented with the grant support from Global Environment Facility (GEF) fund administered by Asian Development Bank (ADB) for 1800 cargo electric bicycles as initial pilot.**

**(d): Only one training session is targeted to be held for SHG members (energy champions) with the support of IIT Bombay, the details are under:**

<b>State</b>	<b>Technical Training to SHG Members (Energy Champions)</b>		<b>Remark</b>
	<b>Place of Training</b>	<b>Number of Energy Champions</b>	
<b>Bihar</b>	<b>Patna</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>The training has been conducted</b>
	<b>Muzaffarpur</b>	<b>22</b>	
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	<b>Kuppam</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>The training is targeted to be held in next quarter.</b>
<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	<b>Sehore</b>	<b>50</b>	
<b>Kerela</b>	<b>Palakkad</b>	<b>50</b>	
	<b>Kannur</b>		

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