

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 470**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2025**

**ADVANCED ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME**

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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the specific objectives the Ministry aims to achieve through collaboration with various IIMs in the country including IIM Raipur under the Advanced Entrepreneurship-Skill Development Programme (E-SDP) and Management Development Programme (MDP);
- (b) the details of Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP) and Management Development Programme (MDP) being implemented across the country and the action taken by the Government to further improve the said programmes, State-wise particularly in Maharashtra;
- (c) the measures taken to ensure that these free programmes effectively reach aspiring/emerging entrepreneurs, MSMEs owners from underrepresented communities/weaker sections, including women entrepreneurs and rural MSMEs and benefit them;
- (d) whether these programmes are being integrated with existing MSME development initiatives to enhance their impact on MSMEs growth and development, if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether the Government plans to integrate these programmes in Tribal dominated areas in the country like Palghar in Maharashtra for MSME growth in the region and if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) whether any plan has been formulated by the Ministry for development of Industrial Area Mohasa in Narmadapuram district of Hoshangabad Narsinghpur Lok Sabha Constituency, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
(SUSHRI SHOBHA KARANDLAJE)

(a): The objective of the Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme (ESDP). programme is to motivate young persons (Men and Women) representing different sections of society, including SC/ST, women, physically handicapped, ex-servicemen, and BPL persons, to consider self-employment or entrepreneurship as one of the career options. The ultimate objective is to promote new enterprises, build the capacity of existing MSMEs, and inculcate an entrepreneurial culture in the country.

Vide ESDP policy guidelines dated 25.03.2022, advance components were added in ESDP scheme to provide advanced entrepreneurship and management training aimed at helping entrepreneurs by providing high-end/advanced training in domains such as E-commerce, BPO, Software, Biotech, Modern Agricultural & Animal Husbandry and Processing, Drug Discovery, Genomics, and Tech Acquisition, training will be facilitated through premier institutions such as, IIMs, IITs, ICAR, CSIR, DRDO, NITs, and Administrative Training Institutes (ATIs), Post-Harvesting and Food Processing Institutes, Engineering Institutes including IIM Raipur.

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These programs focus on developing entrepreneurial and managerial skills, improving business sustainability, and enhancing competitiveness. The objective is to provide structured training on business establishment, growth strategies, financial management, and market expansion, thereby fostering a robust ecosystem for MSMEs.

For FY 2024-25, IIM Raipur has been allocated:

**One Advanced E-SDP Programme on "New Venture Creation"** to guide aspiring entrepreneurs in business ideation, validation, and execution.

**One Advanced MDP Programme on "Business Scale-Up for MSMEs"** to help existing MSME owners develop growth strategies, financial planning, and market expansion.

(b): The Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP) and Management Development Programme (MDP), implemented nationwide under the ESDP scheme, aim to enhance the skills of prospective and existing entrepreneurs through hands-on practice, demonstrations, and specialized training, while also equipping them with modern managerial techniques to improve productivity, profitability, and enterprise development.

The details of ESDP and MDP programmes across India, including Maharashtra, are available in the **annexure**.

(c): The Ministry ensures the effective outreach of these free programs under ESDP by promoting awareness through MSME-DFOs, Technology Centres, and Implementing Agencies, collaborating with local institutions and industry associations, providing free training, conducting programs at district and state levels, and utilizing various training modes to enhance accessibility for entrepreneurs and MSME owners from weaker sections.

(d): Currently there is no any proposal to integrate the ESDP scheme with other schemes.

(e): The Ministry has conducted various programmes under the ESDP scheme in tribal areas across Maharashtra, including Plaghar district. Total 38 programmes benefiting 1,663 persons have been conducted in Plaghar district in last 3 years since 2022-23 till date, as on 03.02.2025.

(f): There are 66,304 and 51,128 MSMEs registered on Udyam in Hoshangabad and Narsinghpur districts, respectively. Additionally, The Ministry has conducted various programmes under the ESDP schemes in Hoshangabad and Narsinghpur districts of Madhya Pradesh for the benefit of skilling of existing & potential entrepreneurs. Total 40 programmes benefiting 1,882 persons have been conducted in Hoshangabad district, while 58 programmes benefiting 2,559 persons have also been conducted in Narsinghpur district in last three years since 2022-23 till date, as on 03.02.2025.

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## Annexure

The all India details of ESDP and MDP programmes including Maharashtra for last 3 years since 2022-23 to 2024-25, as on 03.02.2025.

S. No.	Name of State	Total Programmes	Total Beneficiaries
1	ANDAMAN AND NICOBAR ISLANDS	28	760
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	108	2795
3	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	68	1772
4	ASSAM	461	11848
5	BIHAR	231	6138
6	CHANDIGARH	6	150
7	CHHATTISGARH	107	2820
8	DADAR AND NAGAR HAVELI AND DAMAN AND DIU	12	305
9	DELHI	92	2394
10	GOA	30	753
11	GUJARAT	331	8951
12	HARYANA	132	3426
13	HIMACHAL PRADESH	68	1707
14	JAMMU AND KASHMIR	353	8964
15	JHARKHAND	135	3655
16	KARNATAKA	230	6835
17	KERALA	154	4351
18	LADAKH*	0	0
19	LAKSHADWEEP	8	210
20	MADHYA PRADESH	1472	38463
21	MAHARASHTRA	513	13235
22	MANIPUR	72	1813
23	MEGHALAYA	72	1854
24	MIZORAM	28	743
25	NAGALAND	637	16426
26	ODISHA	283	7651
27	PUDUCHERRY	22	665
28	PUNJAB	208	5307
29	RAJASTHAN	341	9521
30	SIKKIM	23	583
31	TAMIL NADU	382	10409
32	TELANGANA	350	9098
33	TRIPURA	92	2360
34	UTTAR PRADESH	460	12252
35	UTTARAKHAND	244	6381
36	WEST BENGAL	249	6596
<b>Total</b>		<b>8002</b>	<b>211191</b>

\*Total 11 EAP (Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme) have been conducted in LADAKH