

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 611
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2025

IMPLEMENTATION OF PMEGP

611. SHRI SAUMITRA KHAN:

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

- (a) the current status of the implementation of the Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) in West Bengal along with the number of beneficiaries recorded during the last five years, district-wise;
- (b) the measures introduced to improve the effectiveness of the scheme in providing self-employment opportunities to youth and women in West Bengal; and
- (c) the total funds allocated and utilised under PMEGP in West Bengal during the last fiscal year?

ANSWER

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

(a): The District-wise performance of PMEGP in West Bengal in terms of number of micro units assisted, Margin Money (MM) subsidy disbursed and estimated employment generated since the last 5 years i.e. FY2019-20 to FY2023-24 is given at Annexure-I.

(b): The measures introduced to improve the effectiveness of the scheme in providing self-employment opportunities to youth and women across the country, including West Bengal, are given below:

- i. Maximum project cost admissible for setting up of new project has been increased from Rs. 25 lakh to Rs. 50 lakh in Manufacturing sector and from Rs. 10 lakh to Rs. 20 lakh in Services sector.
- ii. Beneficiaries under Special Category including women are provided with higher subsidy of 25% and 35% of the project cost in urban and rural areas respectively as compared to 15% and 25% of the project cost for General Category beneficiaries.
- iii. Contribution of beneficiaries under Special Category including women is 05% as compared to 10% for General Category beneficiaries.
- iv. Conduct of awareness programmes, workshops and exhibitions in all the States/UTs including backward and under-performing areas with focus on special category.
- v. Conduct of two-days free online Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) for prospective entrepreneurs.
- vi. Acceptance of PMEGP applications from prospective beneficiaries in 11 regional languages since January 2024.
- vii. Industries related to Animal Husbandry like dairy, poultry, aquaculture, insects (bees, sericulture, etc.) have been allowed under the scheme.
- viii. Webinars are organized for setting up of micro-enterprises on every Sunday to create awareness among the youth and prospective entrepreneurs.

(c): PMEGP being a Central sector scheme, no State wise allocation of budget is done. Funds are utilized based on the demand generated and loans sanctioned by the financial institutions. Margin Money subsidy disbursed under the scheme for the State of West Bengal is Rs. 74.23 crore during financial year 2023-24.

Annexure-I: referred to in reply to part (a) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 611 for answer on 06.02.2025.

District-wise performance of PMEGP in West Bengal in terms of number of micro units assisted, margin money subsidy disbursed and estimated employment generated during the last 5 years is as follows:

Districts	2019-20			2020-21			2021-22			2022-23			2023-24		
	No. of Units Assisted	MM subsidy (Rs. Cr.)	Est. Empl. Generated	No. of Units Assisted	MM subsidy (Rs. Cr.)	Est. Empl. Generated	No. of Units Assisted	MM subsidy (Rs. Cr.)	Est. Empl. Generated	No. of Units Assisted	MM subsidy (Rs. Cr.)	Est. Empl. Generated	No. of Units Assisted	MM subsidy (Rs. Cr.)	Est. Empl. Generated
Alipurduar	47	1.13	376	125	3.61	1,000	68	1.98	544	82	3.63	656	70	2.83	560
Bankura	64	1.53	512	38	0.92	304	45	1.02	360	38	1.38	304	41	1.93	328
Bardhaman	75	1.70	600	52	1.37	416	68	1.44	544	46	1.47	368	57	2.32	456
Birbhum	80	1.84	640	82	2.01	656	92	2.57	736	76	2.13	608	114	3.42	912
Coochbehar	80	1.75	640	98	2.78	784	60	1.49	480	114	3.16	912	118	3.85	944
Darjeeling	71	1.68	568	80	2.18	640	69	1.96	552	50	1.33	400	37	1.41	296
Hooghly	41	0.95	328	41	1.07	328	56	1.67	448	69	1.76	552	49	1.94	392
Howrah	80	2.40	640	37	1.01	296	70	1.74	560	115	2.75	920	83	2.40	664
Jalpaiguri	17	0.46	136	38	0.87	304	131	4.12	1,048	67	2.57	536	49	2.12	392
Jhargam		0.00	0	7	0.32	56	9	0.40	72	22	0.54	176	13	0.39	104
Kalimpong	9	0.16	72	5	0.12	40	12	0.35	96	22	0.48	176	21	0.56	168
Kolkata	13	0.34	104	12	0.17	96	13	0.15	104	15	0.16	120	9	0.43	72
Maldah	41	0.77	328	58	1.77	464	51	1.46	408	58	2.05	464	43	2.09	344
Medinipur East	576	24.25	4,608	555	23.78	4,440	653	32.17	5,224	462	20.05	3,696	454	20.86	3,632
Murshidabad	185	6.94	1,480	211	7.00	1,688	204	6.75	1,632	233	7.47	1,864	208	6.79	1,664
Nadia	219	15.05	1,752	80	4.96	640	63	2.71	504	58	2.79	464	62	2.58	496
North Dinajpur	4	0.09	32	14	0.28	112	64	2.06	512	28	0.92	224	6	0.25	48
North Twenty Four Pargans	227	8.55	1,816	215	7.86	1,720	232	8.68	1,856	244	8.73	1,952	186	7.36	1,488
Paschim Burdwan	11	0.29	88	5	0.16	40	10	0.38	80	8	0.43	64	7	0.62	56
Paschim Medinipur	78	2.06	624	90	3.12	720	68	2.27	544	52	1.67	416	66	2.12	528
Purulia	43	1.99	344	36	1.43	288	30	0.91	240	30	0.95	240	55	1.56	440
South Dinajpur	51	1.78	408	56	2.49	448	62	2.90	496	33	1.12	264	23	0.65	184
South Twenty Four Pargans	208	9.10	1,664	135	4.96	1,080	175	6.23	1,400	204	6.55	1,632	148	5.76	1,184