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STRIVE INITIATIVE

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

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to ensure that marginalized and deprived communities in Maharashtra benefit from the Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE) initiative;
- (b) whether the Government has formulated any future expansion plans for the said initiative across the country including Maharashtra and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to include any new skill sectors, industries, or technology-focused domains under the said initiative, particularly those relevant to Maharashtra's industrial and service ecosystem and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the total number of individuals from the said communities in Maharashtra enrolled and trained under the said initiative since its inception, year and district-wise;
- (e) the details of various other skill development schemes and policies of Government that have contributed to the upliftment of the said communities in Maharashtra, including their convergence or alignment with STRIVE; and
- (f) the details of the mechanisms in place to assess the impact of said initiatives on skill development, employment generation and the overall competitiveness of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs)?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) Sir, The Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implemented the Skill Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE) project, which was a Government of India project with the assistance of the World Bank. Under the STRIVE Project, a total of 500 ITIs (467 Government ITIs and 33 Private ITIs) were selected for upgradation. Out of these 500 selected ITIs, 77 ITIs (72 Govt. ITIs and 05 Pvt. ITIs) were selected from the state of Maharashtra.

The objective of the STRIVE Project was to strengthen, upgrade and enhance the learning infrastructure in the Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), which would help all trainees including from marginalized and deprived communities.

(b) and (c): Sir, STRIVE project has already concluded on 31.05.2024 and there is no future expansion plans for the STRIVE initiative.

(d) The total number of individuals from the said communities in Maharashtra enrolled and trained under the said initiative since its inception, year-wise and district-wise is annexed at Annexure-1

(e) The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implements various schemes for providing skill training to various sections of society. The details of these schemes along with the number of individuals benefited from them in the State of Maharashtra are given below:

- Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS): The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), implements the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through a network of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) for the youth of the country. In ITIs, craftsmen training is provided in 169 National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) aligned trades. Each trade has a dedicated course curriculum. The duration of training ranges from six months to two years. The training courses have been designed to impart basic skills and knowledge in the trades so as to prepare the trainees for employment as a skilled/semiskilled worker. At present, there are 14,615 ITIs established in the country, out of which, 3,316 are Government ITIs and 11,299 are Private ITIs. At present there are 1,038 ITIs established in the state of Maharashtra out of which 422 are Govt ITIs and 616 are Pvt ITIs. In the last 5 sessions, i.e., 2020-21 to 2024-25, a total of 4,20,914 trainees from SC, ST and OBC category were enrolled in ITIs under CTS in Maharashtra.
- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY): The "Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing its flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), since 2015, for imparting skill development training through Short-Term Training (STT) and up-skilling and re-skilling through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) to youth across the country including State of Maharashtra. Under this scheme, a total number of 5,42,207 beneficiaries have been certified from the marginalized communities in the State of Maharashtra.
- Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS): The Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) Scheme, initially launched as Shramik Vidyapeeth (SVP), aims to provide skill training in a non-formal mode at the doorsteps of the beneficiary through registered Societies (NGOs) with 100% grant from the Government of India. The objective of the scheme is to increase the household income by promoting self/wage employment through skill development training. The main target of the JSS is to impart vocational skills to the non-literates, neo-literates and persons having rudimentary level of education upto 8th standard and school dropouts upto 12th standard in the age group of 15-45 years. So far, 48985 SC candidates and 45050 ST candidates have been trained under the JSS Scheme in Maharashtra.
- Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion ("SANKALP"): Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP), a World Bank loan assisted outcome-based Centrally sponsored scheme, was launched in January 2018. The project has been completed in March 2025.

The scheme aimed at strengthening the short-term skill development ecosystem by focusing on three key Result Areas: (i) institutional strengthening at national, state, and district levels, (ii) quality assurance in skill development programs, and (iii) inclusion of marginalized groups.

Under the Result Area (iii), 26 activities were undertaken by Maharashtra State, such as skill development training/ Entrepreneurship training for candidates from Women Self Help Group (SHG), SC/ST communities, Jail inmates, Transgenders

and Persons with Disability (PwD). Under this scheme, 4,485 candidates from SC/ST, 1115 PwD candidates, 100 transgenders, 505 women and 240 jail inmates were covered.

The number of individuals from marginalized communities who have been trained from the State of Maharashtra, under these schemes is tabulated below:

Scheme Name	No. of Individuals Trained- Maharashtra State
Craftsmen Training Scheme	4,20,914
Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana	5,42,207
Jan Shikshan Sansthan	94,035
SANKALP	6,445

(f) A National Tracer Study was conducted under the STRIVE (Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement) Project in May 2024 to assess the impact of initiatives aimed at enhancing skill development, employment generation, and the overall competitiveness of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). More than 47.2% of ITI graduates were found to be employed, indicating positive employment outcomes. Additionally, there has been a notable rise in female enrollment and an overall improvement in the pass-out rate.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2340 ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025 REGARDING 'STRIVE INITIATIVE'

Number of Candidates Enrolled and Trained in the ITIs under the STRIVE Project in the State of Maharashtra (Year and District-wise)

SL No.	District		Year											
			2018-19		2019-20		2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24	
			SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST	SC	ST
1.	Nagpur	Enrolled	592	133	472	123	490	125	492	119	494	123	464	121
		Trained	458	98	429	108	418	99	412	99	198	51	307	72
2.	Nashik	Enrolled	439	890	433	782	427	688	454	852	492	921	534	1102
		Trained	339	713	359	679	326	538	378	627	202	340	307	641
3.	Ahmednagar	Enrolled	234	53	263	42	222	39	269	53	271	64	335	88
		Trained	182	38	210	35	165	29	208	46	93	19	217	62
4.	Akola	Enrolled	531	59	438	41	435	40	497	47	511	55	525	60
		Trained	433	42	380	39	355	28	399	39	253	19	346	31
5.	Amravati	Enrolled	425	78	449	70	432	72	488	72	453	77	560	73
		Trained	340	49	398	58	345	54	410	55	213	41	377	44
6.	Aurangabad	Enrolled	208	23	217	21	196	29	267	26	261	38	270	36
		Trained	157	20	184	20	158	21	199	21	71	8	162	19
7.	Beed	Enrolled	119	8	95	6	74	9	108	6	127	7	155	8
		Trained	95	6	81	6	54	6	89	6	41	1	79	6
8.	Buldhana	Enrolled	303	46	222	45	226	36	225	34	270	41	293	53
		Trained	238	30	181	40	170	26	193	26	122	11	186	31
9.	Chandrapur	Enrolled	33	177	44	140	46	139	34	110	31	156	48	157
		Trained	27	132	38	112	39	106	28	98	4	49	28	93
10.	Dhule	Enrolled	125	69	118	52	145	59	122	66	131	80	136	82
		Trained	104	48	111	45	119	49	97	47	35	21	76	40
11.	Gadchiroli	Enrolled	69	309	92	220	89	210	100	149	79	143	86	185
		Trained	46	205	71	170	59	111	88	102	41	56	49	86
12.	Gondia	Enrolled	86	21	116	41	72	41	91	25	82	41	93	35
		Trained	78	14	99	35	60	39	77	25	33	17	76	25
13.	Jalgaon	Enrolled	259	87	321	68	237	57	273	69	265	69	355	89
		Trained	231	67	289	67	211	52	233	59	87	21	271	62
14.	Jalna	Enrolled	97	6	95	9	90	16	107	9	109	17	112	11
		Trained	81	5	88	9	70	13	90	8	39	4	63	8
15.	Kolhapur	Enrolled	331	13	268	8	245	16	244	7	296	5	314	3
		Trained	251	10	235	6	188	12	183	6	110	2	177	3
16.	Latur	Enrolled	263	30	242	18	238	16	243	18	302	24	290	19
		Trained	189	22	200	15	183	8	202	15	130	4	158	15
17.	Mumbai	Enrolled	345	47	228	45	204	26	293	26	260	28	304	52
		Trained	245	37	187	31	140	17	237	23	81	9	146	20
18.	Mumbai suburban	Enrolled	244	57	147	44	229	31	198	30	218	36	222	26
		Trained	156	41	119	35	175	24	149	26	62	9	137	17
19.	Nanded	Enrolled	311	17	254	13	263	18	301	22	291	15	325	26
		Trained	255	10	227	13	205	15	253	17	116	2	189	15
20.	Nandurbar	Enrolled	36	638	42	577	51	538	43	613	33	722	44	804
		Trained	26	451	38	415	35	303	32	349	12	284	31	418

21.	Palghar	Enrolled	16	374	10	289	18	336	9	281	14	422	19	382
		Trained	10	303	9	257	16	267	7	255	9	166	13	274
22.	Parbhani	Enrolled	223	27	174	21	193	20	212	30	189	24	208	34
		Trained	173	23	164	17	165	16	167	23	84	11	159	22
23.	Pune	Enrolled	586	167	511	161	528	115	565	102	563	143	570	143
		Trained	398	112	370	107	350	84	408	73	203	64	330	77
24.	Ratnagiri	Enrolled	15	0	16	0	11	1	10	2	13	1	15	0
		Trained	12	0	16	0	9	1	7	1	10	1	8	0
25.	Sangli	Enrolled	176	7	157	10	154	3	172	1	193	1	221	5
		Trained	114	4	125	8	117	2	137	1	62	0	144	0
26.	Satara	Enrolled	260	10	222	7	224	11	227	4	270	2	322	4
		Trained	179	7	194	2	173	9	193	4	90	0	197	4
27.	Solapur	Enrolled	188	17	196	17	173	12	191	4	172	9	201	7
		Trained	119	10	144	13	126	10	163	3	62	3	119	2
28.	Thane	Enrolled	428	240	376	182	394	137	419	171	390	175	387	208
		Trained	316	195	329	145	330	118	354	148	132	81	242	141
29.	Wardha	Enrolled	212	78	201	65	208	64	180	70	174	84	163	83
		Trained	162	60	168	51	167	55	154	57	63	34	116	51
30.	Washim	Enrolled	223	31	189	33	168	30	192	41	191	49	209	41
		Trained	176	25	166	26	134	19	164	26	98	21	136	20
31.	Yavatmal	Enrolled	256	570	235	543	283	434	299	465	322	519	311	521
		Trained	208	398	210	383	230	284	249	322	134	175	193	296
