

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2369
ANSWERED ON – 04/08/2025

EMPLOYMENT OUTCOMES UNDER PMKVY

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

- (a) whether about 1.43 crore youth trained under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) across the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether only about 47 lakh trained youth have been engaged in employment or self-employment which is less than one-third of the total trained youths;
- (c) if so, whether it is a fact that this employment ratio is low due to gap between skill training courses and industry requirement;
- (d) whether the Government is preparing any action plan to improve the quality of training, recognition of certification and implementation of State-specific demand-based training courses and if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) whether the Government is considering nominating any third-party agency for independent evaluation of the implementation of corrective policy measures under the said scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) 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. Under PMKVY, since 2015 to 30.06.2025, 1.64 crore candidates have been trained/oriented across the country. The States/Union Territories wise details of candidates trained under PMKVY, since 2015 to 30.06.2025 is given at **Annexure**.

(b) & (c) Under PMKVY, placements were tracked in the Short-Term Training (STT) component in the first three versions of the Scheme which is PMKVY 1.0 (2015-16), PMKVY 2.0 (2016-20) and PMKVY 3.0 (2020-22). Under PMKVY 4.0 (2022-26), the focus is to empower the trained candidates to choose their varied career path and is suitably oriented. Under the first three versions of PMKVY, out of 56.89 lakh STT certified candidates, 24.3 lakh candidates have been reported placed which is around 43%.

(d) The Government of India has taken several initiatives to improve training quality, recognition of certification and implementation of State-specific demand-based training courses under PMKVY. Training is being imparted in National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) aligned job roles through accredited and affiliated training centres through Training of Trainer (ToT) certified trainers. A robust monitoring mechanism—both physical and virtual is in place to ensure quality implementation. For industry exposure, On-the-Job Training (OJT) is integrated within short-term skilling programs. Digital tools like the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) are being used for quality monitoring and certification.

Further, to enhance the aspirational value of skill certificates, the National Credit Framework (NCrF) has been introduced to establish equivalence between skilling and formal education. It enables the creditization of all NSQF-aligned skill-based qualifications, including Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), with credits stored in the Academic Bank of Credit (ABC). The framework also facilitates multiple entry and exit options, allowing flexible pathways between education, work, and skilling. Annual convocations are conducted to recognize skilled candidates.

Additionally, the training is imparted based on the demand mapped through skill gap studies, District Skill Development Plans (DSDPs), and active collaboration with Awarding Bodies to design industry-relevant training. States are encouraged to propose training targets based on local demand, supported by District-level skill gap studies.

(e) PMKVY 2.0 was evaluated by NITI Aayog in October 2020 under jobs and skills sector. As per the study, about 94% of the employers surveyed reported they would hire more candidates trained under PMKVY. Further, 52% of the candidates who were placed in full time/part time employment and oriented under the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) component received higher salary or felt that they will get higher salary compared to their un-certified peers.

Additionally, a third-party impact evaluation of PMKVY 2.0 was also conducted by the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA). As per the evaluation, about 70.5% surveyed candidates received placement in their desired skill sector. Third party evaluation of PMKVY 4.0 is currently under process.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2369 ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025

The States/Union Territories wise details of candidates trained/oriented under PMKVY, since 2015 to 30.06.2025

S.No	State/UT name	Candidates trained / oriented
1	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	5,501
2	Andhra Pradesh	5,27,676
3	Arunachal Pradesh	98,157
4	Assam	8,39,371
5	Bihar	7,59,846
6	Chandigarh	28,009
7	Chhattisgarh	2,04,474
8	Delhi	5,26,790
9	Goa	10,484
10	Gujarat	4,71,538
11	Haryana	7,62,041
12	Himachal Pradesh	1,76,021
13	Jammu And Kashmir	4,29,204
14	Jharkhand	3,14,048
15	Karnataka	6,05,147
16	Kerala	2,74,550
17	Ladakh	4,076
18	Lakshadweep	390
19	Madhya Pradesh	12,13,250
20	Maharashtra	13,31,385
21	Manipur	1,14,910
22	Meghalaya	58,706
23	Mizoram	44,147
24	Nagaland	54,013
25	Odisha	6,02,124
26	Puducherry	35,491
27	Punjab	5,59,406
28	Rajasthan	14,06,943
29	Sikkim	19,479
30	Tamil Nadu	8,85,134
31	Telangana	4,64,107
32	The Dadra And Nagar Haveli And Daman And Diu	11,842
33	Tripura	1,59,920
34	Uttar Pradesh	25,06,438
35	Uttarakhand	2,51,815
36	West Bengal	6,50,830
	Total	1,64,07,263