

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2493
ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025

ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL SKILL TRAINING CENTRES FOR RURAL WOMEN

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the need for employment-oriented skill training for women in rural areas, particularly in backward districts of States like Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has formulated any scheme to open special skill training centres for rural women;
- (c) if so, the number of training centres proposed under this scheme;
- (d) whether backward districts of Rajasthan have been given priority in this scheme, particularly the number of villages or blocks of Dausa Lok Sabha Constituency included as well as the number of women benefitted so far;
- (e) whether the Government plans to launch any new initiative in the near future to impart training to women in the said districts of Rajasthan, including the said constituency in order to provide them employment or self-employment opportunities at the local level; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (f): Government of India has taken proactive steps to improve employability of the youth of the nation, including women, through skill development. Under the Skill India Mission (SIM), the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Sikhshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to all the sections of the society across the country, including women in rural areas. SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready and equipped with industry relevant skills.

State-wise details of women candidates trained under schemes of MSDE are at **Annexure**.

Further, to encourage participation of rural women in skill development programs, special provisions have been made for meeting expenditure on conveyance and boarding & lodging as well as enhanced post placement support. PMKVY 4.0 prioritizes and provides special focus to projects that emphasize women as primary beneficiaries. Special Projects under PMKVY are designed to align with local skill demands, creating opportunities for rural women to participate and benefit from skill development schemes. This inclusive approach ensures significant representation and benefit for women in skill training programs across the country. Under NAPS, the introduction of trades in services sector (Optional Trade) has led to the

significant improvement in the women participation in apprenticeship. Under JSS Scheme, focus is being given to women and other vulnerable sections. Women constitute more than 80% of beneficiaries under JSS. Also, there are 19 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) and more than 300 ITIs exclusively for women. Government of India approved 30% reservation of seats for women candidates in all ITIs (Govt. & Private) in all courses and these seats could be filled based on the general reservation policy of each respective State/UTs.

MSDE in collaboration with the Ministry of Women and Child Development, has launched a joint initiative named NAVYA – Nurturing Aspirations through Vocational Training for Young Adolescent Girls. NAVYA is a pilot initiative aimed at equipping adolescent girls aged 16-18 years with a minimum qualification of class 10, with vocational training mainly in non-traditional job-roles.

Also, MSDE in collaboration with the Women Entrepreneurship Platform of NITI Aayog, launched the Swavalambini- a Women Entrepreneurship Programme in February 2025 in the Northeastern States of Assam, Meghalaya, Mizoram and also in Uttar Pradesh and Telangana. The programme aims to cultivate an entrepreneurial mindset among female students through Entrepreneurship Awareness Training (EAP) and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP). National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), Noida and Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), Guwahati are the implementing agencies under aegis of MSDE.

Schemes of MSDE are demand driven and training centres under these schemes are set up or engaged on need basis. Details of the training centres engaged under the schemes of MSDE in India, Rajasthan and Dausa Lok Sabha Constituency (Jaipur, Alwar and Dausa Districts) are as under:

	PMKVY 4.0 Centres (STT+SP)*	JSS Centres	NAPS Establishments	ITIs
Pan India	12,838	289	51,895	14,615
Rajasthan	1,453	9	1,060	1,546
Jaipur	253	1	433	250
Alwar	99	0	240	115
Dausa	51	0	17	112

* Short-term Training (STT) and Special Projects (SP)

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2493 ANSWERED ON 04.08.2025 REGARDING 'ESTABLISHMENT OF SPECIAL SKILL TRAINING CENTRES FOR RURAL WOMEN'

State-wise details of women candidates trained under schemes of MSDE

State/UT	PMKVY (Since 2015-16 to 30.06.2025)	JSS (Since 2018-19 to 30.06.2025)	NAPS (Since 2018-19 to 30.06.2025)	ITI (Since 2018-19 to 2024-25)
A & N Islands	2,248	4,865	107	1,161
Andhra Pradesh	2,32,933	63,325	18,360	14,429
Arunachal	60,159	718	106	1,260
Assam	5,13,921	53,543	17,991	6,225
Bihar	2,82,456	1,71,847	4,938	43,129
Chandigarh	13,703	8,271	1,599	3,300
Chhattisgarh	1,00,926	1,04,156	4,183	42,259
Delhi	2,27,460	30,723	22,918	22,146
Goa	3,120	11,013	11,135	2,854
Gujarat	1,97,721	1,00,043	82,116	1,13,645
Haryana	2,77,627	41,989	53,659	77,139
Himachal	90,710	56,902	6,789	33,508
Jammu & Kashmir	2,33,032	9,277	886	18,711
Jharkhand	1,38,982	78,071	5,222	10,362
Karnataka	2,56,759	1,12,646	76,377	23,747
Kerala	1,17,142	94,837	17,368	46,633
Ladakh	2,699	637	100	1,014
Lakshadweep	114	3,848	15	880
Madhya Pradesh	5,64,245	2,87,521	23,478	70,820
Maharashtra	4,61,944	2,09,825	2,22,373	1,38,397
Manipur	84,735	27,905	152	774
Meghalaya	32,652	3,864	465	1,900
Mizoram	27,351	3,708	91	667
Nagaland	31,515	7,328	37	368
Odisha	2,22,446	2,27,452	9,129	50,112
Puducherry	21,431	-	3,449	906
Punjab	2,86,355	18,450	16,263	83,364
Rajasthan	5,95,133	67,674	12,459	67,145
Sikkim	10,915	-	447	845
Tamil Nadu	5,44,604	79,702	1,01,923	31,970
Telangana	1,93,590	63,561	45,010	14,344
DNH and D&D	5,841	12,394	1,853	741
Tripura	77,269	13,277	433	4,056
Uttar Pradesh	11,04,137	4,79,272	51,424	2,69,473
Uttarakhand	1,28,885	73,376	16,167	12,351
West Bengal	2,84,421	70,925	37,147	31,065
Overall	74,29,181	25,92,945	8,66,169	12,41,700
