

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3987**  
ANSWERED ON – 18/08/2025

**"STATUS OF MOBILE SKILL VANS"**

3987. SHRI VISHALDADA PRAKASHBAPU PATIL:

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

- (a) the data on the number of mobile skill vans operational under the Government-supported schemes and the number of youths trained through mobile skill vans during the last five years and the post-training placement or self-employment rate, State and year-wise;
- (b) the details of the initiatives undertaken to deploy customised, solar-powered, or internet-enabled skill vans in regions with limited physical training centres along with the details of the coordinating mechanisms with State Skill Development Missions (SSDMs), National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) partners, and local panchayats to implement mobile training interventions;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to promote the use of said Vans to deliver training in remote, hilly, tribal and underserved regions; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering to develop sector-specific mobile vans to cater to local industry needs, 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 (d): The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implemented a World Bank loan assisted Centrally Sponsored Scheme called Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP). The scheme aimed to enhance the quality and scale of short-term skill training by strengthening institutions, improving market connectivity, and promoting the inclusion of marginalized sections of society. The scheme concluded on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

Under the SANKALP scheme, MSDE supported the State Skill Development Missions to develop mobile skill units for conduct of skill trainings in remote, hilly and tribal areas to cater to local industry needs, as per details below:

State	No. of Mobile Skill Units/Vans	No. of Youth Trained in Last 5 years
Bihar	1	3,388
Karnataka	2	284
Nagaland	5	1,000
Tamil Nadu	1	178

In addition, Jammu and Kashmir launched the "Skill Vahan" initiative which seeks to bridge the information and access gap in skill development, particularly in rural and geographically isolated. Further, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), through CSR initiatives, has deployed 23 customised Kaushal Rathes and Vans, including solar-powered and internet-enabled units, in regions with limited training infrastructure. Under this initiative, 2.14 lakh candidates have been trained.

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