

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4726
TO BE ANSWERED ON: 21.08.2025

CLOSURE OF MSMEs

4726. SHRI ABHISHEK BANERJEE:

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that in 2024-25 more than 35,500 Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) were closed;
- (b) whether it is a fact that the highest number of MSME closures occurred in Maharashtra, followed by Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Karnataka and if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and
- (c) whether it is a fact that according to the Government's annual report in 2023, West Bengal had the highest number of female-led MSMEs?

ANSWER

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

(a) and (b): A revised definition based on the twin criteria of investment and turnover, was adopted to define Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in 2020 and for registration, Udyam Registration Portal (URP) was launched on 01.07.2020. On 11.01.2023, Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) was launched for Informal Micro Enterprises (IMEs), which are exempted from GST filing. From 01.07.2020 to 15.08.2025, 6.69 crore Enterprises, including IMEs, have registered on URP.

MSMEs de-register for various reasons such as change of ownership, change of business location, shut down and others. The number of MSMEs shut down during 2024-25 were 39,446. MSMEs shutdown in Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Rajasthan and Karnataka during 2024-25 were 9,702, 4,900, 3,534, 3,274 and 2,187 respectively.

(c): The data referred has been quoted in the Annual Report of the Ministry of MSME in 2023-24 which pertains to NSS 73rd Round Report by NSSO, which states, based on the estimation that there were 1,23,90,523 women-owned proprietary MSMEs in the country, including 29,01,324 in West Bengal.

Since inception of Udyam till 15.08.2025, a total of 2,64,75,048 women-owned Enterprises, including IMEs, have registered on URP. Out of this 27,65,525 women-owned Enterprises are in West Bengal.
