

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1927
To BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2025

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ADVANCE-ESDP

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

- (a) the present implementation status of the Advanced Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (E-SDP) across the country, including the number of training centres, programmes conducted, trainees trained and entrepreneurs benefited, particularly in Tamil Nadu and especially in the Kallakurichi Parliamentary Constituency;
- (b) the key components and training modules of the Programme and the manner in which these modules are tailored to meet the specific requirements of emerging entrepreneurs, startups and technology-driven enterprises;
- (c) the impact of the Programme on entrepreneurship promotion, self-employment generation and local economic development, with specific reference to Tamil Nadu and Kallakurichi Lok Sabha Constituency;
- (d) the measures taken by the Government to improve the quality of training, mentorship support and access to financial linkages for beneficiaries; and
- (e) the mechanism adopted for monitoring, evaluation and long-term assessment of the success and sustainability of the Advanced E-SDP?

ANSWER

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

(a): The details of the number of training institutes (Implementing Agencies), programmes conducted and trainees trained across the country and Tamil Nadu state for advance E-SDP are furnished below:-

Status of Advance E-SDP programme conducted across the country since 2022-23:

S. No.	Financial Year	No. of Training Institutes (Implementing Agencies)	No. of Programmes Conducted	No. of Trainees Trained
1.	2022-23	17	66	1563
2.	2023-24	28	127	3046
3.	2024-25	51	75	1738

Status of Advance E-SDP programme conducted in Tamil Nadu state since 2022-23:

S. No.	Financial Year	No. of Training Institutes (Implementing Agencies)	A-ESDP	
			No. of Programmes Conducted	No. of Trainees Trained
1.	2022-23	Nil	Nil	Nil
2.	2023-24	1	1	20
3.	2024-25	2	2	55

No Advance E-SDP Programme has been conducted in the Kallakurichi Parliamentary Constituency.

(b) & (c): The Advanced Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (A-ESDP) aims to provide advanced entrepreneurial training intended to support entrepreneurs through high-end, domain-specific capacity building in areas such as E-commerce, Software, Biotechnology, Modern Agriculture and Animal Husbandry, Food and Agro-processing etc. by the premier Institutes and laboratories such as IIMs, IITs, ICAR, CSIR & NITs etc.

So far three Advance E-SDP programmes have been conducted in the state of the Tamil Nadu, benefitting 75 participants since 2022-23. The programmes of ESDP scheme helped in promoting entrepreneurship, creating self-employment, and supporting economic development. Beneficiaries in Tamil Nadu, have gained better technical and business skills, which have improved their readiness to start and run enterprises.

(d) & (e): The objective of the programme is to support the establishment of new MSMEs and promote the growth of existing ones, thereby enhancing productivity and generating employment opportunities. The concerned Implementing Agencies (IIMs/IITs/ICARs/CSIRs/NITs) are also entrusted with facilitating Udyam Registration for A-ESDP beneficiaries.

A robust Monitoring and Evaluation mechanism has been established through the ESDP Management Information System (MIS) Portal, which includes a structured feedback system enabling participants to provide inputs on the quality and effectiveness of the training programmes.

Evaluation study of the scheme is also conducted through an independent Agency to assess the impact of the ESDP scheme and provide recommendations for improving the scheme design & implementation.
