GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2739 ANSWERED ON 16/12/2025

SKILL TRAINING PROGRAMMES

2739. Shri Sukanta Kumar Panigrahi:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Ministry is implementing specialised skilling programmes including Mason Training under Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY-G), Rural Mason Training (RMT) and other livelihood-linked training initiatives for Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) workers to enhance rural employability and ensure quality housing infrastructure, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the status of enrollment, certification and placement outcomes achieved during the last three years, particularly in Odisha and especially Kandhamal district;
- (c) whether additional training targets have been proposed, if else demand increases, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the budget allocation and expenditure incurred during the last three financial years for skill linked rural development initiatives, including DAY-NRLM, PMGSY, PM-Vishwakarma, and RSETI training programmes; and
- (e) the manner in which the Ministry is utilising the Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra, digital monitoring systems and convergence with banks and industries to ensure sustainable livelihoods and stronger rural infrastructure in a government-favourable, outcome-based framework?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI KAMLESH PASWAN)

(a): Yes, the Ministry is implementing two Centrally Sponsored skill development programmes namely Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) & Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETI) under the umbrella of Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana

- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) for rural poor youth for their gainful employment with a view to eradicate poverty in the country including the State of Odisha. A brief on the Schemes is as under:
- I. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY): DDU-GKY is a placement-linked skill development program for rural poor youth in the age group of 15-35 years. It empowers the rural poor youth with employable skills and facilitates their participation in regular labour markets, thus providing them with jobs having regular monthly wages at or above the minimum wages. DDU-GKY guidelines provide for earmarking 50% of the funds for SCs and STs. Under DDU-GKY, coverage of 15% minorities, 5% of PwDs & 33% of women is mandatory. DDU-GKY provides training in courses approved by National Skills Qualification Council (NSQC), NCVET & made available on National qualification Register or portal of Ministry of skill Development and Entrepreneurship
- II. Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs): RSETI is a Bank lead - Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) funded training institutions established by the Sponsoring Banks in their Districts, to provide training for skill and entrepreneurship development. MoRD extends financial support for the construction of RSETI building and also bears the cost of training the 'rural poor' candidates. Any unemployed youth in the age group of 18-50 years having an aptitude to take up self-employment or wage employment can undergo training at RSETI. Some of the trained candidates may also seek regular salaried jobs / wage employment. The trainings are fully funded by Government of India, largely residential, and provide 70 National Skills Qualifications in (NSQF) aligned courses as of now. The list of course is given in Annexure-I.

To enhance rural employability and ensure quality housing infrastructure, RSETIs are being strategically leveraged through convergence with other flagship schemes to provide the following:

i. Under Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana-Gramin (PMAY-G), Rural Mason Training (RMT) is being imparted through RSETIs to beneficiaries, with the objective of equipping them with practical masonry skills required for the construction of safe, durable and quality rural houses. RSETIs have introduced RMT from FY 2025–26, under which 8,048 candidates have been trained against a total target of 91,650 candidates.

ii. Skill training under DDU-GKY and RSETI-approved courses is being provided to beneficiaries under MGNREGS to enhance employability, enable engagement in income-generating activities, and ensure a sustained availability of skilled manpower for rural infrastructure development. In this regard, Project UNNATI has been launched for MGNREGS workers to improve the livelihoods of the neediest households by imparting skills for self-employment or wage employment, covering up to two eligible members per household who have completed a minimum of 60 days of work under MGNREGA in any financial year since FY 2018–19.

Target and Tenure of Project UNNATI: Project Unnati is being implemented in convergence with the MoRD schemes- Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETI) and Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. The project is scheduled to run until 31st March 2026, with a target of skilling 1.50 lakh MGNREGA beneficiaries by the end of the project period. The achievements under the programme over the last three years is as under:

FY	Scheme	No. of candidates trained
2022-23	DDU-GKY/RSETI/KVK	16003
2023-24	DDU-GKY/RSETI/KVK	26938
2024-25	DDU-GKY/RSETI/KVK	26766

- (b): The details of candidates enrolled, certified and placed/ settled in the State of Odisha and especially Kandhamal district under DDU-GKY & RSETI during the last 3 years and current year are given in Annexure-II(A) & (B) respectively.
- (c): Under DDU-GKY, based on demand additional target of 9,519 has been allocated during FY 2025-26, taking the total target to 2.42 lakh candidates, including additional targets allocated in the current year.

Under RSETI, a target of 91,650 candidates has been allocated for Rural Mason Training (RMT) in FY 2025–26, taking the overall RSETI target to 6.78 lakh candidates, including the RMT targets of the current year.

(d): The details of budget allocation and expenditure incurred during the last three financial years for skill-linked rural development initiatives, including DAY-NRLM, PMGSY, PM-Vishwakarma, and RSETI training programmes are given in Annexure-III.

(e): Under DDU-GKY and RSETIs, the schemes are monitored through an Integrated Portal providing an end-to-end solution, including Aadhaar-enabled biometric attendance, geotagging of centres, online inspections, and CCTV monitoring. Performance is regularly reviewed through meetings and on-site inspections to identify challenges and strengthen overall delivery.

In addition, RSETIs pursue convergence with banks and industries to promote sustainable livelihoods and quality rural infrastructure. Skill training is linked with real sector demand, supported by timely credit for viable micro-enterprises, and aligned with industry curriculum and market access. Banks provide credit counselling and handholding, while industries contribute technology and quality standards, creating a coordinated ecosystem where training, finance, and market linkages together generate measurable outcomes such as enterprise creation, income enhancement, quality rural assets, and long-term livelihood sustainability.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply of part (a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2739 due for reply on 16.12.2025

List of RSETI Training Courses Aligned with NSQF:

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S.N.	Type of EDP	Qualification Name	Qualification Code	Category (I/II/III)	Duration (Hours)	Duration (Days)
			Code	(1/11/111)	(Hours)	(Days)
1		Resham Kosh Utpadak Udyami	NARQ30005	II	80	10
2		Dairy Farming and Vermi Compost Making	NARQ30006	I	80	10
3		Commercial Horticulture	NARQ30017	I	104	13
4		Krishi Udyami	NARQ30021	II	104	13
5		Sheep Rearing	NARQ30024	II	80	10
6		Poultry	NARQ30027	I	80	10
7		Goat Rearing	NARQ30029	II	80	10
8		Cultivation of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants	NARQ30030	II	80	10
9	Agricultural	Rubber Tapping & Processing	NARQ30031	II	80	10
10	EDPs	Piggery	NARQ30039	II	80	10
11		Commercial Floriculture	NARQ30041	II	80	10
12		Vegetable Nursery Management and Cultivation	NARQ30043	II	80	10
13		Bee Keeping	NARQ30044	II	80	10
14		Mushroom cultivation	NARQ30047	II	80	10
15		Gardening and Landscaping	NARQ30049	II	80	10
16		Poly Houses & Shade Net Farming	NARQ30051	II	80	10
17		Pisciculture	NARQ30059	II	80	10
18		Matsya Mitra	NARQ50001	I	480	60
19		Pashu Mitra	NARQ50002	I	480	60
20		Business Correspondent & Business Facilitator	NARQ30037	III	80	10
21		Debt Recovery Agents	NARQ30038	III	104	13
22	General EDPs	Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) for Micro Entrepreneurs	NARQ40001	III	104	13
23		Grocery & Kirana Shop	NARQ30058	111	48	6
24		EDP to Persons with Disabilities	NARQ40060	III	80	10

25		Danie Mitua	NABO40064		40	
25		Bank Mitra	NARQ40061	<u> </u>	48	6
26		General EDP	NARQ40062	III	48	6
		Training Programme				
27		on Financial Literacy	NARQ40063	III	48	6
		for FLCRPs				
		Community Resource				
28		Person for Enterprise	NARQ50003	III	250	32
		Promotion				
		Fast Food Stall				
29		Udyami	NARQ30032	II	80	10
		Travel & Tourist				
30		Guide	NARQ30046	III	80	10
04			NADOGGE		404	40
31		House Aaya	NARQ30050	II	104	13
		Photo Farming,				
32		Lamination and	NARQ30054	ı	80	10
		Screen Printing				
33		Masonry & Concrete	NAPOSOSE		240	30
33		Work	NARQ30055	•	240	30
		Installation &				
		Servicing of CCTV				
34		Camera, Security	NARQ30056	ī	104	13
• •		Alarm & Smoke		-		
		Detector				
35		Photography and	NARQ40002	I	240	30
		Videography				
36		Cell phone Repairs	NARQ40003	1	240	30
		and Service				
37		Beauty Parlor	NARQ40007	1	240	30
	Process	Management	MARQ-10007	•		
38		Welding and	NA DO 40000		240	20
36	EDP s	Fabrication	NARQ40009	•	240	30
		Electric Motor				
39		Rewinding & Repair	NARQ40012	1	240	30
		Services			-10	
		Two-Wheeler				
40		Mechanic	NARQ40014	I	240	30
14			NABO40045		240	20
41		LMV Owner Driver	NARQ40015		240	30
		Gharelu Vidyut		_		
42		Upkaran Seva	NARQ40016	ı	240	30
		Udyami				
43		House Wiring	NARQ40018	I	240	30
44		Men's Parlor and	NABO40040		240	20
44		Salon Udyami	NARQ40019	ı	240	30
45		TV Technician	NARQ40020	I	240	30
		Computerized				
46		Accounting	NARQ40025	I	240	30
47			NAPO40034	<u> </u>	360	45
4/		Desktop Publishing	NARQ40034		360	40
48		Computer Hardware	NARQ40035	I	360	45
		& Networking				
49		Plumbing and	NARQ40040	1	240	30
		Sanitary Works				

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50		Refrigeration and Airconditioning	NARQ40042	1	240	30
51		Aluminum Fabrication	NARQ40052	I	240	30
52		UPS and Battery Making & Servicing	NARQ40053	ı	240	30
53		Carpentry	NARQ40057	I	240	30
54		Homemade Agarbatti Maker	NARQ30004	II	80	10
55		Paper Cover, Envelope and File Making	NARQ30008	11	80	10
56		Soft Toys Maker and Seller	NARQ30023	ı	104	13
57		Jute Products Udyami	NARQ30026	ı	104	13
58	Product EDPs	Papad, Pickle and Masala Powder	NARQ30028	U	80	10
59	EDFS	Bamboo & Cane Craft Making	NARQ30048	ı	104	13
60		Men's Tailor	NARQ40010	ı	240	30
61		Vastra Chitra Kala Udyami (Embroidery & Fabric Painting)	NARQ40011	ı	240	30
62		Costume Jewelry Udyami	NARQ40013	ı	104	13
63		Women's Tailor	NARQ40033	ı	240	30
64		Candle Making	NARQ40036	II	80	10
65	Food processing	Cake & Pastry, Bakery Products/Baking Technician	FIC/Q5005B	Ш	300	37
66	Food processing	Milk Products & Ice Cream Making	Dairy/P/	IV	300	37
67	Renewable Energy Resources	Renewable Energy Resources/Bio gas Plant/ Bio Slurry technician	SGJ/Q4008	Ш	450	56
68	Automotive	Electric Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	ASDC	II	300	37.5
69		Elderly Care Specialization	HSS/Q6001	IV	720	90
70	Food processing	Value addition for Coconut Product, coconut oil Extraction, coir product etc.	FICSI	111	240	30

Annexure referred to in reply of part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2739 due for reply on 16.12.2025

Candidates enrolled, certified and placed in the State of Odisha and Kandhamal District during the last 3 years and the current year (till 11.12.2025) under DDU-GKY:

State/ District I	Financial Yea	rEnrolled	Certified	Placed
	2022-23	12266	15186	13533
	2023-24	2803	3244	5382
Odisha	2024-25	2336	661	1206
	2025-26	3731	2441	546
	2022-23	352	503	399
	2023-24	178	199	225
Kandhamal	2024-25	166	64	54
	2025-26	134	173	41

Source: State of Odisha.

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Candidates enrolled, certified and placed in the State of Odisha and Kandhamal District during the last 3 years and the current year (till Oct. 2025) under RSETI:

State/ District	Financial Yea	rEnrolled	Certified	Placed
	2022-23	20766	16627	17486
	2023-24	22056	17493	19544
Odisha	2024-25	30046	23223	24998
	2025-26	14903	10819	12646
	2022-23	675	638	567
	2023-24	710	547	647
Kandhamal	2024-25	995	785	908
	2025-26	634	443	526

Source: NACER

Annexure referred to in reply of part (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2739 due for reply on 16.12.2025

Funds allocated and expenditure incurred under skill-linked rural development initiatives:

(₹ in lakhs)

Scheme	DDU-GKY		RSETI		
FY	Funds Allocated	Funds Released	Funds Allocated	Funds Released	
2022-23	9405.05	9283.83	25000.00	20415.00	
2023-24	38370.58	23387.41	23215.50	21050.00	
2024-25	50000.00	37498.80	25000.00	24840.62	
2025-26 (till Nov 2025)	75000.00	20222.03	30000.00	8515.92	

Under the PM Vishwakarma Scheme of MSME, Year-wise Budget allocation and Expenditure, since inception of the Scheme on 17.09.2023, is as under:

FY		Expenditure	Expenditure under Skill upgradation component (Rs. In Crore)
		(Rs. In Crore)	
2023-24	753.1168	745.9197	2,42.31
2024-25	3,993.78	3,993.10	1,384.44
2025-26 (upto 12.12.2025)	5,100	2,250.3869	923

Source: MSME
