

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
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UPGRADATION OF ITIs AND ESTABLISHMENT OF NCoEs

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

- (a) the details of the number of Strategic Investment Plans (SIPs) submitted by States/UTs and Anchor Industry Partners for the upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and establishment of National Centres of Excellence (NCoEs);
- (b) the details of the number of SIPs approved, pending for approval or returned for revision along with the reasons for such pendency or revision;
- (c) the details of the timelines prescribed for appraisal and approval of SIPs and whether delays in approval have impacted the fund disbursement and project implementation;
- (d) the details of the total funds allocated, released and utilised under Component-I and Component-II, States/UT-wise;
- (e) the details of the number of ITIs selected as Hubs and Spokes, States/UT-wise including district-wise details for Andhra Pradesh; and
- (f) whether any States/UTs, including Andhra Pradesh, have reported difficulties in preparing SIPs and if so, the steps taken by the Government to provide technical or institutional support?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (d) The Upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) under the Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability through Upgraded ITIs (PM SETU) scheme is proposed to be done through industry-led Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs). For selection of the industry partner, a Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) is required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposal (RFP). So, far twelve (12) States/UTs have floated the Expression of Interest/RFP for inviting industry interest. Release of funds for upgradation of ITIs or for setting up NCoE under PM-SETU is subject to the approval of SIP.

(e) The selection of ITIs under PM-SETU is led by the respective State/UT Governments in consultation with industry, ensuring alignment with emerging skill needs and local industrial potential. The Hub-and-Spoke ITI clusters would be finalized for financial assistance on the basis of the response of industry partners for the proposed clusters.

Andhra Pradesh has identified five Government ITIs under PM-SETU in pilot phase, comprising one cluster with one Hub ITI and four Spoke ITIs. The Hub ITI is proposed to be located in Visakhapatnam, while the Spoke ITIs are proposed to be located one each in Visakhapatnam and Vizianagaram districts, and two in Alluri Sitarama Raju district.

(f) The benefits of the scheme are proposed to be achieved through the State-led selection process, industry participation, and structured implementation framework. Consultations have been held with industry associations and industry players, and multiple handholding workshops have also been conducted with States/UTs. States/UTs have sought clarifications and handholding support in relation to preparation of RFPs/SIPs and related templates. The Government has taken steps to support States/UTs and industry through issuance of a model RFP document and detailed templates and regional capacity-building workshops to enable timely and quality preparation of proposals/SIPs.
