

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1783
ANSWERED ON 10/02/2026**

NRLM IN WEST BENGAL

1783. Shri KhalilurRahaman:

Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of role played by the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) in enhancing skill development and employment opportunities for rural youth in West Bengal;**
- (b) the status of employment of youth under NRLM in West Bengal, district-wise; and**
- (c) the total amount of fund allocated and spent in the State during the last five years?**

ANSWER

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

(a): Ministry of Rural Development is implementing the following two Centrally Sponsored Schemes namely DeenDayalUpadhyayaGrameenKaushalyaYojana (DDU-GKY) & Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETI) in the field of skill development for rural poor youth for their gainful employment with a view to eradicate poverty in the country under the umbrella scheme of DeendayalAntyodayaYojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) including in the State of West Bengal. A brief on the Schemes is as follows:

i. DeenDayalUpadhyayaGrameenKaushalyaYojana (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 guideline provides social inclusion of SC/ST (50%), Women (33%), and PwDs (5%).

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.

(b): The district-wise details of youth trained and placed/settled under DDU-GKY & RSETI schemes under NRLM since inception till December, 2025 in the State of West Bengal are given in Annexure-I & II, respectively.

(c): Both DDU-GKY & RSETI are demand-driven schemes. Hence, funds are not allocated State/UT-wise. However, the details of the total amount of fund released in the State during the last five years and the current year till December 2025 under DDU-GKY & RSETI are as under:

Funds released under DDU-GKY and RSETI during the last 5 years and the current year in the State of West Bengal:

(₹ in lakhs)

FY	DDU-GKY	RSETI
2020-21	125.95	113.29
2021-22	0.00	0.00
2022-23	0.00	0.00
2023-24	16.44	1000.00
2024-25	0.00	390.66
2025-26 (till December 2025)	0.00	1207.53

Annexure referred to in reply of part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1783 due for reply on 10.02.2026

District-wise details of candidates trained and placed since inception till December 2025 in the State of West Bengal under DDU-GKY:

S. No.	District	Trained	Placed
1	24 Paraganas North	5280	1986
2	24 Paraganas South	5630	2399
3	Alipurduar	1031	625
4	Bankura	2593	1737
5	Birbhum	2880	1855
6	Cooch Behar	1471	941
7	DakshinDinajpur	707	403
8	Darjiling	616	484
9	Hooghly	3805	1431
10	Howrah	1288	439
11	Jalpaiguri	3182	2156
12	Jhargram	1877	971
13	Kalimpong	128	73
14	Maldah	916	587
15	Medinipur East	1949	1133
16	Medinipur West	1499	886
17	Murshidabad	2293	1411
18	Nadia	3054	1359
19	PaschimBardhaman	1367	835
20	PurbaBardhaman	4507	1859
21	Puruliya	1670	1065
22	Uttar Dinajpur	1438	816

Source: Data as per Kaushal Bharat till 31.12.2025

Note: There are no active training centre in the State of West Bengal.

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District-wise details of candidates trained and settled since inception till December 2025 in the State of West Bengal under RSETI:

S. No.	District	Trained	Settled
1	BANKURA	11337	7463
2	BIRBHUM	10264	7228
3	BURDWAN	10642	7253
4	COOCH BEHAR	6403	4768
5	DARJEELING	5906	4395
6	HOOGLY	10781	7693
7	HOWRAH	30576	23055
8	JALPAIGURI	8625	6624
9	MALDA	10220	7358
10	MIDNAPORE (PASCHIM)	9967	7539
11	MIDNAPORE (PURBA)	10711	7955
12	MURSHIDABAD	13129	9184
13	NADIA	8898	6458
14	NORTH DINAJPUR	8780	6238
15	NORTH 24 PARGANAS	10984	9023
16	SOUTH 24 PARGANAS	12066	8429
17	PURULIA	8208	4607
18	SOUTH DINAJPUR	9410	6627

Source: NACER
