

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 337
ANSWERED ON 02.02.2026**

Aims and Objectives of NATS

337. Dr. C M Ramesh:

Will the Minister of **EDUCATION** be pleased to state:

- (a) the aims and objectives of National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) being implemented by the Government;
- (b) whether it is true that the Government contributes fifty per cent of stipend under the said scheme, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is true that the Central Apprenticeship Council has recently revised the amount of stipend, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the number of apprentices engaged has gone up to 1.29 million during the last five years and if so, the details thereof, State-wise, with particular reference to Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) the details of amount of funds spent by the Government on NATS since 2020-21 till July, 2025?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(DR. SUKANTA MAJUMDAR)**

(a) to (e): The aims and objectives of National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) is to provide industry relevant skills to fresh graduates, diploma holders and Apprenticeship Embedded Degree Programmes (AEDP) students of any educational background, by providing them with high quality on-the-job training in the form of apprenticeships, thereby bridging the skill gap. Government of India provides 50% of the prescribed minimum stipend to apprentices.

The minimum prescribed amount of stipend for apprentices has been revised. The details thereof are placed at **Annexure-I**.

Number of apprentices engaged during last five years under NATS is **12,94,154**. State/UT wise details including Andhra Pradesh, are at **Annexure II**.

Total of Rs. 2179.75 Crore has been spent from FY 2020-21 to July 2025.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.337 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.02.2026 ASKED BY HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT DR. C M RAMESH REGARDING AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF NATS.**Recent Revision in the stipend are as follows:**

Category of students/apprentices	Prescribed minimum amount of stipend	Government's share
Graduate apprentices or degree apprentices or degree in any stream	Rs. 12,300 per month	Rs 6,150 per month
Technician apprentices or diploma holder in any stream or sandwich course (students from degree institutions)	Rs. 10,900 per month	Rs. 5,450 per month
Sandwich Course (Students from Diploma Institutions)	Rs. 9,600 per month	Rs 4,800 per month

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The State-wise details of the numbers of individuals who have engaged from the scheme are during the last five years.

State / UT	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	15	20	32	19	18
Andhra Pradesh	-	-	1422	577	3696
Arunachal Pradesh	71	93	71	15	17
Assam	671	938	1968	1380	1721
Bihar	932	914	4621	7112	16565
Chandigarh	46	49	270	800	2053
Chhattisgarh	1656	1050	2535	847	2342
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu	110	119	186	215	511
Delhi	1381	2029	3257	6499	9727
Goa	342	529	766	798	957
Gujarat	3888	4824	8278	9516	15817
Haryana	3569	4252	16275	25691	44274
Himachal Pradesh	385	527	486	1106	2350
Jammu and Kashmir & Ladakh	19	29	158	272	471
Jharkhand	2959	2800	3558	3387	10158
Karnataka	4112	6402	10314	11113	27456
Kerala	2361	2555	8145	8478	18152

State / UT	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Lakshadweep	-	-	-	-	2
Madhya Pradesh	923	1191	2278	2249	6777
Maharashtra	23515	34539	55664	50048	114127
Manipur	30	33	29	3	116
Meghalaya	22	31	29	67	39
Mizoram	6	28	43	33	72
Nagaland	2	3	4	10	42
Odisha	8966	21798	34938	15538	28279
Puducherry	186	304	718	422	748
Punjab	328	390	480	2614	2034
Rajasthan	647	945	4492	7467	15100
Sikkim	239	475	405	601	651
Tamil Nadu	24732	33332	45967	28453	56112
Telangana	3165	4793	11284	8988	35604
Tripura	45	120	189	141	295
Uttar Pradesh	3410	6734	16846	11587	21706
Uttarakhand	452	696	3084	1779	9172
West Bengal	8030	15616	29250	49890	75863
Total	97,215	1,48,158	2,68,042	2,57,715	5,23,024