

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3420
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.03.2026

WOMEN-LED MSMEs IN MAHARASHTRA

3420. SMT. SUPRIYA SULE:
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any comprehensive assessment of women-led Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Maharashtra, including district-wise numbers, sectoral spread, survival rate beyond three years and employment generated during the last five years;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that a large proportion of women-led MSMEs in Maharashtra remain confined to micro-scale operations due to limited access to affordable credit, delayed payments, absence of collateral support and inadequate market linkages and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any evaluation has been conducted to ascertain the reasons that existing institutional support mechanisms have not translated into scaling up women-owned enterprises in backward and aspirational districts of the State;
- (d) the corrective measures proposed to address structural barriers faced by women entrepreneurs in Maharashtra; and
- (e) whether a State-specific roadmap is under consideration to promote growth-oriented women-led MSMEs and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d): The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) launched Udyam Registration Portal (URP) on 01.07.2020 for registration of MSMEs. Further, for registration of Informal Micro Enterprises (IMEs), Udyam Assist Platform was launched on 11.01.2023. The details of women-owned MSMEs registered and employment generated on Udyam Portal in Maharashtra, district-wise, since inception till 28th February, 2026 are attached at Annexure-I.

The Government has taken a number of initiatives to increase the participation of women in MSMEs, such as:

- i. Special drives for registration of women-owned MSMEs on Udyam Registration (UR) and Udyam Assist Portals (UAP).
- ii. To support women entrepreneurs, the Public Procurement Policy mandates that 3% of annual procurement by CPSEs/Ministries/Departments must be made from women-owned micro and small enterprises.
- iii. Udyam Registration Portal was launched on 01.07.2020 which is fully online, paperless and based on self-declaration. Those with PAN details can register on Udyam and those without PAN/GSTN can register on Udyam Assist Portal (UAP) launched on 11th January 2023. Both registrations are eligible for Priority Sector Lending (PSL) and to avail of benefits of Schemes of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

- iv. To support women entrepreneurs under Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises, the following two provisions have been introduced for micro and small women entrepreneurs w.e.f. 01.12.2022:
- Guarantee coverage of up to 90% as against the 75% for others; and
 - 10% concession in annual Guarantee fees
- v. Ministry of MSME implements Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) which is a credit-linked subsidy programme aimed at generating self-employment opportunities through establishment of micro-enterprises in the non-farm sector by helping traditional artisans and rural/urban unemployed youth. Out of the total PMEGP beneficiaries, 39% are women and they are provided higher subsidy (35%) vis-a-vis non-special category (upto 25%).
- vi. To encourage entrepreneurship among women, Ministry of MSME implements 'Skill Upgradation and Mahila Coir Yojana' under Coir Vikas Yojana, which is an exclusive training programme aimed at skill development of women artisans engaged in the Coir sector.
- vii. Participation of women entrepreneurs in trade fairs under Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme is subsidized to the extent of 100% vis-a-vis 80% for other entrepreneurs.
- viii. Ministry of MSME has launched 'PM Vishwakarma' Scheme on 17.09.2023, to provide a number of benefits to the traditional artisans and craftspeople including women, engaged in 18 trades.
- ix. The Ministry has launched the awareness campaign 'Yashasvini' to create awareness among existing and aspiring women entrepreneurs with various schemes of the Ministry of MSME, providing them with continuum of support through handholding, mentorship, and capacity building.

Details for credit guarantees extended to MSEs under CGS in the State of Maharashtra are as under:

CGS - Guarantee approved- Women led MSEs-Maharashtra- Since inception in 2000 till 28.02.2026	
No. of guarantees approved	Amount approved (in Rs. crore)
1,77,403	23,875

District wise, sector-wise, number of Women-led micro enterprises assisted in Maharashtra under PMEGP for the last 5 financial year i.e., FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25 is given at **ANNEXURE-II**

(e): Under the RAMP programme, the state of Maharashtra has submitted a comprehensive Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) to the Ministry of MSME. SIP serves as Maharashtra's roadmap to strengthen and expand its MSME sector through targeted initiatives, with the objective of driving substantial economic growth and impact across the state. Based on the proposed interventions outlined in the SIP, the Ministry of MSME has sanctioned a grant of Rs. 189.49 Cr under the RAMP programme to support the state's initiatives aimed at strengthening the MSME ecosystem, enhancing competitiveness, and driving sustainable growth.

SIP submitted by Maharashtra under RAMP includes an Initiative for Women and Marginalized Sections, which aims to address the limited awareness among women regarding various government schemes.

Among the major interventions approved in the SIP, Capacity Building constitutes the intervention which focuses on organizing training and awareness programmes for women and SC/ST entrepreneurs regarding various government schemes.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 3420 for answer on 12.03.2026.

District Wise Total Women Owned MSMEs Registered and Employment Reported Under Udyam FY 2020-21 (01/07/2020 - 28/02/2026)													
Sl. No.	District	2020-21		2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26	
		MSME registered	Employment										
1	AHMEDNAGAR	3,405	13,547	4,667	16,784	7,704	25,110	10,065	30,589	16,644	48,926	19,621	76,267
2	AKOLA	1,027	3,576	1,627	10,418	2,634	7,762	3,185	9,450	5,046	13,558	11,234	29,747
3	AMRAVATI	1,625	5,585	2,879	9,502	5,177	15,692	5,016	13,548	10,125	30,762	19,186	49,153
4	AURANGABAD	4,815	21,827	8,279	30,819	10,725	37,554	12,738	45,249	15,545	54,227	22,149	85,883
5	BEED	882	4,026	1,760	7,651	3,909	11,762	4,164	12,331	7,807	26,877	9,956	31,452
6	BHANDARA	625	2,163	1,010	5,780	1,789	6,692	2,911	9,241	6,191	22,808	15,873	50,902
7	BULDHANA	1,194	3,657	2,146	7,180	3,007	9,754	4,501	12,804	9,259	26,644	15,926	46,611
8	CHANDRAPUR	1,123	4,324	1,527	7,702	2,793	12,765	3,820	21,137	7,137	23,784	17,125	53,508
9	DHULE	619	2,999	1,284	5,752	1,787	6,199	2,851	9,218	4,573	12,170	5,443	22,173
10	GADCHIROLI	299	1,271	796	3,092	1,017	4,243	1,135	5,597	1,826	5,124	3,314	9,080
11	GONDIA	801	4,994	1,350	7,522	1,802	7,328	2,317	10,837	3,982	13,559	9,686	27,260
12	HINGOLI	509	3,637	558	2,030	893	3,634	1,269	3,965	2,526	6,807	4,586	9,543
13	JALGAON	2,163	8,390	3,928	14,757	5,673	17,445	6,965	19,147	10,448	32,687	20,825	64,533
14	JALNA	1,143	4,438	1,827	6,773	2,821	8,845	3,823	12,043	5,950	17,311	9,215	37,072
15	KOLHAPUR	6,247	29,108	8,578	37,486	10,858	39,601	13,648	51,725	17,169	52,738	20,395	67,972
16	LATUR	1,080	4,172	1,798	6,865	3,541	11,025	5,553	15,672	12,018	34,496	8,941	27,052
17	MUMBAI	9,126	64,464	12,530	61,867	16,229	68,147	15,179	59,723	14,998	96,970	17,210	97,378
18	MUMBAI SUBURBAN	11,408	68,273	15,779	67,131	19,529	70,355	23,021	99,451	25,069	89,312	26,945	106,821
19	NAGPUR	6,377	29,130	10,311	39,249	12,870	46,022	15,030	53,763	19,051	62,295	30,881	108,645
20	NANDED	1,934	6,629	2,512	8,920	3,786	13,761	4,060	15,230	4,897	39,790	9,369	32,995

21	NANDURBAR	344	1,639	660	3,550	1,201	4,831	1,392	4,907	3,780	11,152	3,043	19,273
22	NASHIK	5,746	27,253	9,503	34,767	12,804	41,259	16,450	61,667	22,763	84,532	32,206	94,416
23	OSMANABAD	907	4,341	1,517	5,188	3,179	17,108	3,763	10,256	5,781	19,212	6,814	17,774
24	PALGHAR	4,061	18,442	6,142	26,534	7,934	36,904	9,790	36,596	10,857	38,083	12,997	44,148
25	PARBHANI	886	2,670	1,633	4,689	2,145	5,844	2,660	8,609	4,296	11,692	6,315	16,689
26	PUNE	19,698	115,205	29,994	140,939	42,445	163,152	52,619	187,422	65,183	246,280	68,061	232,921
27	RAIGAD	4,821	22,200	7,145	27,848	9,889	35,274	11,469	40,180	19,911	59,898	21,373	68,107
28	RATNAGIRI	1,738	9,676	3,233	12,069	5,175	23,318	5,219	15,605	7,751	23,662	8,127	19,623
29	SANGLI	2,417	13,021	3,662	12,564	5,550	17,279	7,520	21,395	9,678	26,780	11,586	30,637
30	SATARA	2,704	11,400	4,317	14,652	6,626	21,216	8,842	26,781	12,187	35,385	11,954	45,246
31	SINDHUDURG	1,154	5,052	2,057	7,550	3,005	11,563	4,233	17,283	5,712	15,491	8,675	20,630
32	SOLAPUR	3,046	11,526	6,443	29,226	8,587	25,517	11,537	35,323	14,436	39,747	14,985	65,250
33	THANE	15,525	80,988	22,855	91,275	28,313	107,823	32,933	125,762	37,973	136,387	47,124	160,526
34	WARDHA	1,220	5,351	2,332	8,267	2,910	10,285	3,897	13,637	4,591	13,521	12,309	41,091
35	WASHIM	500	1,923	783	2,704	1,025	3,188	1,301	3,579	3,061	13,845	5,568	15,551
36	YAVATMAL	885	3,481	1,848	6,345	2,825	8,930	3,592	9,896	6,081	16,323	11,603	30,956
	Total:-	122,054	620,378	189,270	785,447	262,157	957,187	318,468	1,129,618	434,302	1,502,835	580,620	1,956,885

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District wise, sector-wise, number of Women-led micro enterprises assisted in Maharashtra, under PMEGP for the last 5 financial year										
District	Manufacturing					Service				
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
Ahmadnagar	41	64	46	24	19	21	26	21	19	11
Akola	5	21	14	12	9	7	12	6	13	7
Amravati	14	15	48	31	16	12	9	14	12	12
Aurangabad	4	26	35	26	11	8	15	12	10	2
Beed	9	11	10	5	8	9	12	7	6	2
Bhandara	19	12	7	7	9	8	5	13	8	22
Buldhana	10	20	23	10	5	18	25	15	13	8
Chandrapur	14	13	10	6	4	15	28	13	17	11
Dhule	3	8	6	6	10	8	11	6	12	12
Gadchiroli	37	6	3	3	1	10	6	6	5	-
Gondia	19	44	26	14	12	16	38	24	13	9
Hingoli	6	14	10	6	1	7	5	11	3	3
Jalgaon	28	40	37	12	9	8	15	17	18	14
Jalna	21	53	5	6	1	4	8	2	3	3
Kolhapur	74	163	192	169	132	33	20	37	56	27
Latur	34	58	13	14	5	16	9	10	8	5
Mumbai	-	1	3	3	4	-	2	-	3	4
Mumbai (Suburban)	4	16	11	14	5	3	2	-	2	2
Nagpur	21	54	42	32	25	17	18	31	28	8
Nanded	7	22	21	13	5	18	19	14	7	5
Nandurbar	4	25	11	5	19	2	1	4	6	
Nashik	80	99	54	39	30	28	20	21	15	17
Osmanabad	17	33	25	8	3	8	15	14	8	5
Palghar	6	27	23	18	9	7	11	19	10	4
Parbhani	14	22	9	6	6	5	12	5	6	-

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District	Manufacturing					Service				
	Pune	38	40	45	35	32	25	23	24	24
Raigad	12	14	15	10	3	11	4	10	4	3
Ratnagiri	20	29	25	9	8	5	18	22	20	13
Sangli	22	21	23	20	7	17	15	16	15	3
Satara	29	36	39	17	12	13	27	22	9	20
Sindhudurg	39	28	32	13	9	18	27	26	14	10
Solapur	62	76	77	51	32	26	28	27	44	21
Thane	6	11	15	4	3	5	22	11	9	3
Wardha	12	10	28	7	6	3	14	22	17	8
Washim	4	13	11	5	2	8	14	5	5	3
Yavatmal	16	19	12	11	8	6	12	8	15	16
Total	751	1164	1006	671	480	425	548	515	477	321