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**PM INTERNSHIP SCHEME AND THE IMPACT OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
QUESTION**

353. Shri Ve Vaithilingam:

Will the Minister of CORPORATE AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government recognises that artificial intelligence and automation are reducing demand for traditional roles and disrupting the conventional career ladder for engineering graduates, thereby making the internship scheme particularly timely;**
- (b) if so, the details of the measures taken by the Government to expand participation of youth in the internship scheme to ensure quality of the experience and track outcomes in an AI-enabled workforce context; and**
- (c) the policy framework proposed by the Government for monitoring conversion of internships into employment, evaluating the impact of AI-age training and scaling the scheme to keep pace with emerging technology trends?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS AND MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

[SHRI HARSH MALHOTRA]

(a)& (b): The Prime Minister Internship Scheme (PMIS) Pilot Project provides an opportunity to the youth to get training and gain experience and skills within the real-life environment of various businesses or organizations with the intention of enhancing their employability by bridging the gap between academic learning and industry requirements. At least half of the internship period of 12 months is to be spent in the actual working experience/ job environment.

Partner companies of PMIS Pilot Project covers a large number of diverse sectors like Aviation and Defence, Automotive, Banking and Financial Services, Chemical Industry, Consulting services, IT and Software Development, Healthcare, Infrastructure and Construction, Metals and mining, Oil, Gas and Energy and roles in different areas such as sales, accounting, supply chain management, process

associate, manufacturing associate, plant operation, including roles in Artificial Intelligence.

The Ministry has taken various measures to expand participation of youth in the scheme by actively collaborating with state governments, educational institutions and industries association for implementation and promotion of the scheme. With support from State Nodal Departments, awareness campaigns were carried out at ITIs, Polytechnics, and graduate colleges in different districts of the country. Education and Communication activities, including workshops, seminars, and promotional campaigns - both online and on-ground were carried out to amplify program visibility and to reach out to the target groups in various districts of the State.

(c): PMIS is designed to enhance industry-relevant skills, improve job readiness, and foster professional exposure through structured internships in India's top-performing companies and institutions to create job ready, skilled work force. The scheme is not designed to provide placement offers.
