

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3799
ANSWERED ON 16.03.2026

JSS IN DAHOD CONSTITUENCY

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

- (a) the number of Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) operational in Gujarat, particularly in Dahod Parliamentary Constituency along with the details of the beneficiaries trained;
- (b) the details of the special skill training programmes specifically designed for women and marginalized communities; and
- (c) whether any positive impact on employment and income growth has been observed through this scheme?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a): At present, 9 JSS centres are operational in Gujarat in the current FY 2025-26. The details of JSSs currently operational along with the beneficiaries trained in these JSSs is given at **Annexure-I**.

The Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) Scheme aims to provide skill training in a non-formal mode at the doorsteps of the beneficiary with 100% grant from the Government of India. The objective of the scheme is to increase the household income by promoting self/wage employment through skill development training. The target beneficiaries of the scheme are non-literates, persons having rudimentary level of education and school dropouts up to class 12th in the age group of 15-45 years. The priority groups are women (83%), SCs, STs, OBCs and minorities in the rural areas and urban low-income areas.

(b): Women constitute over 83% of the total beneficiaries, reflecting the scheme's strong focus on women's economic empowerment. Courses such as Assistant Dress Maker/Darzi, Beauty Care Assistant, Assistant Hair Dresser, Hand Embroiderer, Textile Printer, Soft Toy Maker, Candle Maker, Papad-Pickle-Masala Processing, Baking Technician, Mushroom Grower and Honey Bee Farmer shows higher participation of women.

For marginalized communities, training is provided in locally relevant trades such as Solar PV Installation Helper, Domestic Care Attendant, Retail Cashier, Food Delivery Associate, Smart Phone Repair and Foundation Course in Healthcare, enabling wage employment and micro-enterprise opportunities.

(c): A Third-Party Evaluation of the Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) Scheme for the period 2021-2026 was conducted by the Arun Jaitley National Institute of Financial Management (AJNIFM) in 2025, which indicates a positive impact on employment and income levels of beneficiaries. The evaluation found that about 82% of trained beneficiaries became gainfully engaged within six months of completing training, while around 90% reported utilising the acquired skills for income-generating activities.

Further, the study recorded a significant increase in the average monthly income of beneficiaries. These findings indicate that the scheme has contributed significantly to enhancing employability, promoting self-employment and improving household incomes, particularly among women and socio-economically disadvantaged / marginalised groups.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3799 ANSWERED ON 16.03.2026 REGARDING 'JSS IN DAHOD CONSTITUENCY'

Table: List of JSSs operational in current FY 2025-26 in the state of Gujarat along with the beneficiaries trained (FY 2018-19 to 31st December 2025)

S. No.	JSS Name	Beneficiary Trained
1	JSS Banaskantha	5,569
2	JSS Bharuch	12,540
3	JSS Gandhinagar	13,257
4	JSS Kachchh	13,704
5	JSS Mahesana	13,486
6	JSS Patan	13,188
7	JSS Sabarkantha	13,099
8	JSS Surat	13,680
9	JSS Valsad	13,135
