

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4458
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2026

ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (ESDP) SCHEME

4458. SHRI KESINENI SIVANATH:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of beneficiaries covered under each component of Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP) Scheme since inception, component-wise, year-wise, State-wise and district-wise for Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) the funds allocated, released and utilised under the scheme since inception, State-wise and year-wise;
- (c) the measures taken to increase scheme outreach and identify potential beneficiaries that can benefit from capacity building initiatives provided under the scheme;
- (d) the list of implementation agencies functioning under the scheme, State-wise, district-wise for Andhra Pradesh; and
- (e) whether any studies have been undertaken to examine impact of the scheme and the criteria used to ensure that beneficiaries feedback and experience are tracked and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): The Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Programme (ESDP) is a Central Sector Scheme with no State-wise fund allocation. ESDP is a continuing scheme, number of beneficiaries covered component-wise, year-wise, state-wise and district-wise for Andhra Pradesh, are given at Annexure-I.

(c) & (d): To increase outreach of the scheme, the Development and facilitation Offices (DFOs) of the Office of the Development Commissioner (MSME) located across the country have been entrusted with the responsibility of conducting the programmes. In addition, Technology Centres (TCs) and institutes like IITs, IIMs, NITs, CSIRs, ICAR, other central and state government institutions, universities etc. have been included as implementing agencies to conduct the training programmes. To identify potential beneficiaries, various measures including organizing Entrepreneurship Awareness Programmes (EAPs), uploading training calendar on scheme portal, advertisements, social media, engagement with industry associations and academic institutions are undertaken. The list of Implementing Agencies under the ESDP scheme for the FY 2025-26 is given at Annexure-II.

(e) An evaluation study of the ESDP Scheme was conducted by the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Ahmedabad during the year 2020. Beneficiaries feedback and experience are obtained through the dedicated scheme portal.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a) & (b) of the Lok Sabha Unstarred question no. 4458 for answer on 19.03.2026.

Component wise number of beneficiaries from FY 2018-19 to 2025-26 under the ESDP Scheme:

Year	EAP	E-SDP	MDP	Advanced E-SDP	Advanced MDP	Total
2018-19	6219	2252	1034	NA [#]	NA [#]	9505
2019-20	190692	39665	15153	NA [#]	NA [#]	245510
2020-21	23080	3384	1200	NA [#]	NA [#]	27664
2021-22	59702	0*	0*	NA [#]	NA [#]	59702
2022-23	157681	38359	19988	1563	1101	218692
2023-24	244835	69782	27751	3046	1628	347042
2024-25	430248	73275	63744	1738	956	569961
2025-26 (as on 16.03.26))	457183	65765	59578	1369	731	584626

Source: ESDP MIS Portal

#NA: Not Applicable as Advanced programmes were introduced from FY 2022-23

** programmes could not be conducted due to covid-19.*

Year-wise and State-wise number of beneficiaries from FY 2018-19 to 2025-26 under the ESDP Scheme:

S. No.	Name of State/UTs	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (as on 16.03.26)
1	Andhra Pradesh	334	2475	650	2295	1424	5760	10093	28546
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	159	119	136	1087	4236	6401	4195
3	Assam	0	8615	1350	1165	15350	19339	43038	24980
4	Bihar	952	5061	1713	3929	6079	12265	13454	8039
5	Chhattisgarh	0	6165	822	1814	5266	5759	8080	6086
6	Goa	0	90	0	119	279	1510	1424	1036
7	Gujarat	353	3253	706	1580	9651	14939	29573	20852
8	Haryana	0	4773	1350	2014	3213	7688	10599	18239
9	Himachal Pradesh	70	1226	707	1317	1790	5923	5998	8148
10	Jharkhand	622	6132	993	2570	6156	8380	7447	9429
11	Karnataka	78	3569	234	3316	6117	14301	18280	12987
12	Kerala	0	2442	727	2335	7150	8873	10197	12672
13	Madhya Pradesh	200	26682	1263	2706	44248	42055	77987	56919
14	Maharashtra	753	32008	1313	3946	15468	16669	56200	46364
15	Manipur	0	730	72	403	1281	1722	4773	15904
16	Meghalaya	0	306	129	213	1209	2374	6101	5571
17	Mizoram	0	240	0	87	210	1122	2370	2168
18	Nagaland	0	773	0	527	6810	16561	12862	4264
19	Odisha	0	3788	907	2559	8616	10348	38229	59728
20	Punjab	0	6222	1255	2447	7269	10368	21251	14231
21	Rajasthan	424	7744	1268	2293	8820	12807	34206	39024
22	Sikkim	25	502	400	1140	903	2004	3204	1997
23	Tamil Nadu	309	16284	1647	3002	9433	16445	17929	25516
24	Telangana	250	3430	2078	2629	4606	11548	12717	31284
25	Tripura	209	947	435	1384	331	4072	6864	6727
26	Uttar Pradesh	4358	85212	4380	8156	23137	25918	40120	45040
27	Uttarakhand	213	3616	525	1380	5511	7835	12206	15010
28	West Bengal	73	3475	1118	1928	8251	12197	7867	15323
29	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	0	126	166	128	2856	2502	191	53
30	Chandigarh	0	131	0	0	118	276	239	150
31	Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu	0	0	142	280	608	467	1290	289
32	Delhi	258	6801	935	1349	1385	4170	4744	7562
33	Jammu And Kashmir	24	2128	0	494	3863	35280	33652	27969
34	Ladakh	0	105	0	0	50	94	1573	1295
35	Lakshadweep	0	25	0	0	0	498	233	325
36	Puducherry	0	275	260	61	147	737	8569	6704
Total		9505	245510	27664	59702	218692	347042	569961	584626

Source: ESDP MIS Portal

District wise number of beneficiaries in Andhra Pradesh from FY 2018-19 to 2025-26 under the ESDP scheme:

District wise number of beneficiaries in Andhra Pradesh from FY 2018-19 to 2025-26 (as on 16.03.2026)									
S. No.	Name of District	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (as on 16.03.2026)
1	Alluri Seetarama Raju	0	0	0	0	25	93	90	145
2	Anakapalli	0	0	0	0	0	776	763	441
3	Ananthpuramu	0	0	0	0	0	51	82	980
4	Annamayya	0	0	0	0	120	108	368	1148
5	Bapatla	0	0	0	0	107	457	333	235
6	Chittor	0	196	0	117	0	103	128	3580
7	East Godavari	73	391	76	235	0	158	77	678
8	Eluru	0	0	0	0	25	215	156	726
9	Guntur	25	145	46	154	120	159	430	834
10	Kakinada	0	0	0	0	80	101	413	2194
11	Konaseema	0	0	0	0	0	79	0	332
12	Krishna	0	188	0	287	105	107	2843	1210
13	Kurnool	0	70	0	165	233	166	255	673
14	Nandyal	0	0	0	0	0	0	336	538
15	NTR	0	0	0	0	25	610	657	1737
16	Palnadu	0	0	0	0	0	25	160	754
17	Parvathipuram Manyam	0	0	0	0	0	82	110	267
18	Prakasam	0	132	0	0	0	114	176	581
19	Sri Potti Sriramulu Nellore	0	0	0	81	0	0	107	100
20	Sri Satyasai	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
21	Srikakulam	25	190	194	250	101	730	330	1813
22	Tirupati	0	0	0	0	25	363	177	869
23	Visakhapatnam	56	608	258	461	142	828	1252	3498
24	Vizianagaram	95	196	76	167	67	263	209	3116
25	West Godavari	0	275	0	211	117	0	413	1588
26	Y.S.R.	60	84	0	167	132	172	228	437
Total		334	2475	650	2295	1424	5760	10093	28546

Source: ESDP MIS Portal

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) & (d) of the Lok Sabha unstarred question no. 4458 for answer on 19.03.2026.

State wise list of Implementation Agencies for the current FY 2025-26 under the ESDP Scheme:

S. No.	Name of State
1	ANDHRA PRADESH
i	MSME DFO, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
ii	Skill Development Institute Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
iii	University College of Engineering A Jawaharlal Nehru Technological university Kakinada Andhra Pradesh
2	ASSAM
i	MSME DFO, Guwahati, Assam
ii	MSME Technology Centre, (TRTC) Guwahati, Assam
iii	Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat, Assam
iv	College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University, Khanapara campus, Guwahati, Assam
v	Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship Guwahati, Assam
vi	National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, North Eastern Regional Centre (NIRDPR-NERC), Guwahati, Assam
vii	North Eastern Handicrafts and Handloom Development Corporation Guwahati, Assam
viii	North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation Ltd Rajbari Path, Guwahati, Assam
3	BIHAR
i	MSME DFO, Muzaffarpur, Bihar
ii	MSME DFO, Patna, Bihar
iii	Chandragupt Institute of Management Patna, Mithapur, Patna, Bihar
iv	ICAR National Research Centre for Litchi (NRCL), Muzaffarpur, Bihar
4	CHHATTISGARH
i	MSME DFO, Raipur, Chhattisgarh
ii	MSME Technology Centre, Durg, Chhattisgarh
iii	Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Raipur, Chhattisgarh

5	DELHI
i	MSME DFO, Delhi
ii	Testing Centre New Delhi
iii	Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL), Janpath, New Delhi
iv	Construction Industry Development Council, Nehru Place, New Delhi
v	Council of Architecture, Lodhi Road, New Delhi
vi	Delhi Pharmaceutical Sciences and Research University, Delhi
vii	Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi
viii	Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
ix	National Council for Handloom & Handicraft Development (NCHHD), New Delhi
x	National Small Industries Corporation Ltd. (NSIC), Okhla Industrial Estate, Phase III, New Delhi
6	GOA
i	MSME DFO, Goa
7	GUJARAT
i	MSME DFO, Ahmedabad, Gujarat
ii	MSME Technology Centre, (IGTR) Ahmedabad, Gujarat
iii	Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII), Ahmedabad, Gujarat
8	HARYANA
i	MSME DFO, Karnal, Haryana
ii	MSME Technology Centre, Rohtak, Haryana
iii	Bhagat Phool Singh Mahila Vishwavidyalaya, Khanpur Kalan, Haryana
iv	National Institute of Technology Kurukshetra, Haryana
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH
i	MSME DFO, Solan, Himachal Pradesh
ii	MSME Technology Centre, Baddi, Himachal Pradesh
10	JAMMU AND KASHMIR
i	MSME DFO, Jammu and Kashmir
ii	CIED , IUST Foundation, Jammu and Kashmir
iii	Indian Institute of Management Jammu, Nagrota, Jammu
iv	Indian Institute of Technology Jammu
v	Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology of Kashmir, Jammu and Kashmir

11	JHARKHAND
i	MSME DFO, Ranchi, Jharkhand
ii	MSME Technology Centre, (IDTR) Jamshedpur, Jharkhand
iii	Jharkhand Government Mini Tool Room and Training Centre (JGMTRTC) , Ranchi, Jharkhand
iv	National Institute of Technology Jamshedpur, Jharkhand
12	KARNATAKA
i	MSME DFO, Bangalore, Karnataka
ii	MSME DFO, Hubli, Karnataka
iii	MSME Technology Centre, Bangalore, Karnataka
iv	Bangalore Bioinnovation Centre (BBC), Bangalore, Karnataka
v	KILT Bangalore, Karnataka
13	KERALA
i	MSME DFO, Thrissur, Kerala
ii	College of Agriculture, Vellayani, Thiruvananthapuram Kerala Agricultural University, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
iii	CSIR, NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, Kerala
iv	Kerala Institute for Entrepreneurship Development , KIED, Kerala
14	MADHYA PRADESH
i	MSME DFO, Indore, Madhya Pradesh
ii	MSME Technology Centre, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
iii	MSME Technology Centre, (IGTR) Indore, Madhya Pradesh
iv	Centre for Entrepreneurship Development Madhya Pradesh (CEDMAP), Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
v	Centre for Innovation, Design & Incubation (CIDI) SGSITS Incubation Forum (SIF), Indore, Madhya Pradesh
vi	Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
vii	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) , Indore, Madhya Pradesh
viii	MANIT Rolta Innovation & Incubation Foundation NIT, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh
15	MAHARASHTRA
i	MSME DFO, Mumbai, Maharashtra
ii	MSME DFO, Nagpur, Maharashtra
iii	Testing Centre Mumbai, Maharashtra
iv	MSME Technology Centre, (IDEMI) Mumbai, Maharashtra
v	MSME Technology Centre, (IGTR) Aurangabad Maharashtra
vi	National Insurance Academy, Pune, Maharashtra

16	MANIPUR	
	i	MSME DFO, Imphal, Manipur
	ii	MSME Technology Centre, Imphal, Manipur
	iii	National Institute of Technology Manipur, Langol, Imphal
17	MEGHALAYA	
	i	Directorate of Commerce & Industries Meghalaya
18	NAGALAND	
	i	MSME DFO, Dimapur, Nagaland
	ii	Department of Tourism, Government of Nagaland, Kohima, Nagaland
	iii	Nagaland Tool Room and Training Centre (NTTC), Dimapur, Nagaland
19	ODISHA	
	i	MSME DFO, Cuttack, Odisha
	ii	MSME Technology Centre, (CTTC), Bhubaneswar, Odisha
	iii	National Institute of Technology, NIT Rourkela, Odisha
20	PUDUCHERRY	
	i	MSME Technology Centre, Puducherry
21	PUNJAB	
	i	MSME DFO, Ludhiana, Punjab
	ii	MSME Technology Centre, (CIHT), Jalandhar, Punjab
	iii	MSME Technology Centre, (CTR), Ludhiana, Punjab
	iv	Guru Angad Dev Veterinary and Animal Sciences University, Ludhiana, Punjab
	v	IIT Ropar, Punjab
22	RAJASTHAN	
	i	MSME DFO, Jaipur, Rajasthan
	ii	MSME Technology Centre, Bhiwadi, Rajasthan
	iii	CCS National Institute of Agricultural Marketing CCS NIAM, Jaipur, Rajasthan
	iv	Footwear Design & Development Institute (FDDI), Jodhpur, Rajasthan
	v	Rajasthan Institute of Local Self Government, Jaipur, Rajasthan
	vi	Shri Vishwakarma Kaushal Vikas Board, Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur, Rajasthan
	vii	Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology (MPUAT), Udaipur, Rajasthan
	viii	CSIR, Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute (CEERI), Pilani, Rajasthan

23 SIKKIM	
i	MSME DFO, Gangtok, Sikkim
ii	Commerce & Industries Department Government of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim
24 TAMIL NADU	
i	MSME DFO, Chennai, Tamilnadu
ii	Testing Centre Chennai, Tamilnadu
iii	MSME Technology Centre, (CFTI), Chennai, Tamilnadu
iv	Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu
v	Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering & Technology (CIPET), Chennai, Tamil Nadu
vi	IITM Pravartak, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
vii	Dr. Ambedkar Institute of Productivity (AIP), National Productivity Council (NPC), DIPP, Chennai, Tamil Nadu
25 TELANGANA	
i	MSME DFO, Hyderabad, Telangana
ii	MSME Technology Centre, (CITD), Hyderabad, Telangana
iii	National Institute for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (ni-msme), Hyderabad, Telangana
iv	National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Rajendranagar, Hyderabad, Telangana
v	University of Hyderabad, Telangana
26 TRIPURA	
i	MSME DFO, Agartala, Tripura
27 UTTAR PRADESH	
i	MSME DFO, Agra, Uttar Pradesh
ii	MSME DFO, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
iii	MSME DFO, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh
iv	MSME Technology Centre, (CDGI) Firozabad, Uttar Pradesh
v	MSME Technology Centre, (CFTI), Agra, Uttar Pradesh
vi	MSME Technology Centre, (FFDC), Kannauj, Uttar Pradesh
vii	MSME Technology Centre, Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh
viii	MSME Technology Centre, (PPDC), Agra, Uttar Pradesh
ix	MSME Technology Centre, (PPDC) Meerut, Uttar Pradesh
x	MSME Technology Centre, Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh
xi	Acharya Narendra University of Agriculture & Technology, Ayodhya, Uttar Pradesh
xii	IGNOU Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh
xiii	Institute of Entrepreneurship Development, Uttar Pradesh
xiv	Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology (MNNIT), Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh
xv	National Handloom Development Corporation Ltd. (NHDC), Noida, Uttar Pradesh

	xvi	CSIR, Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (IITR), Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
	xvii	National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development. (NIESBUD) Noida, Uttar Pradesh
	xviii	Footwear Design & Development Institute (FDDI), Noida, Uttar Pradesh
	xix	RML Incubation Foundation Dr. Ram Manohar Lohiya National Law University Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh
28	UTTARAKHAND	
	i	MSME DFO, Dehradun, Uttarakhand
	ii	MSME DFO, Haldwani, Uttarakhand
	iii	MSME Technology Centre, (ESTC), Ramnagar, Uttarakhand
	iv	MSME Technology Centre, Sitarganj, Uttarakhand
	v	IIT Roorkee, Uttarakhand
29	WEST BENGAL	
	i	MSME DFO, Kolkata, West Bengal
	ii	Testing Centre Kolkata, West Bengal
	iii	MSME Technology Centre, GM (CTTC) Kolkata, West Bengal

Source: ESDP MIS Portal