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RESTRUCTURING OF THE SKILL INDIA PROGRAMME

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

- (a) whether the Government has approved continuation and restructuring the Skill India Programme for 2022-23 to 2025-26 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of the number of candidates trained, oriented or engaged under Programme during 2024-25 and whether significant shortfalls against targets have been observed, if so, the reasons therefor, component-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has noted uneven outreach of the Skill India Programme in backward, tribal and remote districts of Maharashtra, leading to exclusion of marginalized groups, if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the details of the number of persons trained under the said Programme since 2022-23, particularly in Maharashtra and whether inter-district disparities persist;
- (e) whether employment outcomes under Skill India Programme and PMKVY 4.0 in Maharashtra remain low despite training completion;
- (f) if so, findings and corrective measures proposed thereof; and
- (g) whether issues relating to training quality, industry linkage and post-training support have been flagged under PMKVY 4.0 and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) The Union Cabinet, on 7th February 2025, approved the continuation of the Central Sector Scheme of Skill India Programme (SIP) for the period FY 2022-23 to 2025-26. The SIP comprises three components namely (i) Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 4.0 (PMKVY 4.0), (ii) Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (PM – NAPS) and (iii) Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS).

(b) The details of number of candidates trained/ oriented/ engaged under SIP during 2024-25, component-wise, are as under:

Scheme	Candidates trained/ oriented/ engaged
PMKVY	20,38,319
JSS	5,00,469
NAPS	9,85,041

The shortfall in the number of trained candidates against the target set is due to implementation of SIP in phases.

(c) Under the SIP, the schemes are demand-driven and provide skill, reskilling, and upskilling training to all sections of society, including marginalized groups, across the country. This includes coverage of backward, tribal, and remote areas, subject to the fulfilment of prescribed eligibility criteria.

The component-wise details of candidates from marginalized groups and aspirational districts of Maharashtra who have been trained/oriented/engaged under SIP during the period from FY 2022–23 to FY 2025–26 (as on 31 December 2025) are provided below.

Marginalised Group/ Aspirational Districts	PMKVY	JSS	NAPS
SC	17,637	25,194	1,05,717
ST	5,402	24,272	52,036
OBCs	46,455	53,012	2,55,199
Women	59,317	1,22,182	2,01,719
Aspirational Districts	6,837	20,089	2,775

Furthermore, the following action is being undertaken by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) to enhance the outreach of SIP to marginalized groups and backward, tribal and remote regions:

(i) MSDE is implementing skilling component under various schemes for catering to the marginalized section such as Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha AbhiyaN (PM-JANMAN) of M/o Tribal Affairs, Vibrant Village Programme (VVP) of M/o Home Affairs, National Action for Mechanised Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE), etc.

(ii) Further, JSS is a community-driven skilling scheme targeting women and other vulnerable sections of the community with an aim to provide skill training at the doorsteps of the beneficiary. The skill training provided through JSSs is, flexible, affordable and highly accessible to women, SC, ST, Other Backward Classes (OBCs), minorities, and any other disadvantaged groups of society.

(iii) Under the Dharti Aaba - Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DA-JGUA), the MSDE has launched an initiative through the JSS Scheme to enhance last-mile skilling in tribal-dominated areas. As part of this effort, 30 Tribal Skilling Centres (TSCs) have been set up across 30 tribal districts in 15 States and Union Territories.

(d) The component-wise details of the number of candidates trained under the SIP in Maharashtra, during the period from FY 2022-23 to FY 2025-26 (as on 31st December, 2025) are as under:

FY	PMKVY	JSS	NAPS
2022-23	14,913	52,934	1,86,010
2023-24	35,284	37,273	2,63,265
2024-25	75,368	36,861	2,78,605
2025-26 (as on 31 st December 2025)	4,579	20,491	2,29,709

PMKVY 4.0 is a demand driven scheme. Under the scheme, the skill training is provided based on the demand received from various districts/ states.

(e) & (f) Under PMKVY 4.0, the focus is to empower trained candidates to choose their varied career path and they are suitably oriented for the same through On-Job Training (OJT) embedded industry relevant skill courses.

Under JSS, Livelihood Cell has been set up to orient the candidates for entrepreneurship and livelihood promotion.

NAPS aims to promote apprenticeship training in the country and increase engagement of apprentices in industrial establishments.

The details of the trained candidates are available on SIDH portal for connecting with potential employers. Through Skill India Digital Hub, candidates can have access to jobs and apprenticeship opportunities.

(g) The Government has undertaken comprehensive corrective measures under PMKVY 4.0, including Aadhaar-based e-KYC, face authentication and geo-tagged attendance, QR-coded digital certificates, real-time dashboards on the Skill India Digital Hub, strengthened assessor and training centre accreditation through NCVET, independent monitoring via Kaushal Samiksha Kendra, revised monitoring guidelines with clear KPIs, and a robust penalty and recovery framework.
