

the 3rd All India Census of MSMEs (2001-02). Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) directly creates self and wage employment under its flagship scheme, Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP). The estimated employment generated under PMEGP during the last three years are as follows:

Estimated Employment Generation under PMEGP (All India)

Year	Employment (No. of Persons)
2011-12	495523
2012-13	428221
2013-14	368545

Schemes and programmes for skill development

1323.SHRI AVINASH PANDE: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the schemes and programmes being implemented by the Government for the skill development of persons employed in Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises; and
- (b) how many persons have been benefited from such schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises organizes a variety of entrepreneurship and skill development programmes of short, as well as long duration through various Institutions like MSME-Tool Rooms, MSME-Technology Development Centres, MSME-Development Institutes, KVIC, Coir Board, National Level EDIs and NSIC etc. working under the Ministry of MSME. These programmes are organised for the benefit of various sections of society including persons employed in the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.

- (b) The Ministry provided entrepreneurship and skill development training to 16,87,324 persons during the 11th and 11,58,562 persons during the first two years of 12th Plan.

Loans granted under KVI in Rajasthan

†1324. SHRI ASHK ALI TAK: Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the year-wise details of the amount of loan and grants along with the number of

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the persons and the committees to whom loan and grants have been made available from 2012-13 to 2013-14 under different schemes of Khadi and Village Industries incentives in Rajasthan;

(b) the number of applications received for assistance in the setting up of Khadi and Village Industries units in the said period, the number of applications accepted and the amount of support given; and

(c) the number of new units of Khadi and Village Industries set up in the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH): (a) At present there are no schemes whereby Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) provides loan to the persons and the committees. However, Government is providing plan funds (Grants) to KVIC for the development of khadi and village industries in the country including Rajasthan. In particular, Government has been implementing a credit-linked subsidy programme named Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) through KVIC as nodal agency at the national level for generating employment in the Country including Rajasthan by setting up of micro-enterprises in the non-farm sector. Under PMEGP, general category beneficiaries can avail of margin money subsidy of 25% of the project cost in rural areas and 15% in urban areas. For beneficiaries belonging to special categories such as scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, OBCs, minorities, women, ex-servicemen, physically handicapped, beneficiaries belonging to North Eastern Region, hill and border areas, etc., the margin money subsidy is 35% in rural areas and 25% in urban area. The maximum cost of project is ₹ 25 lakh in the manufacturing sector and ₹ 10 lakh in the service sector.

The release of margin money subsidy which is treated as target as also the achievements in term of the margin money subsidy utilized and estimated employment generated under PMEGP in Rajasthan during 2012-13 and 2013-14 is given below:

Year	Margin money Subsidy released (₹ lakh)	Margin money Subsidy utilized # (₹ lakh)	Estimated employment generated (No. of persons)
2012-13	6737.25	6223.97	21252
2013-14	3331.20	4056.87	13280

including un-utilized balance funds of previous year.

(b) and (c) The number of applications received, applications recommended by the District Level Task Force Committees (DLTFCs) and number of units assisted under PMEGP in Rajasthan during 2012-13 and 2013-14 is given below:

Year	Number of applications received	Number of applications recommended by DLTFCs	Number of units assisted
2012-13	8965	5960	2623
2013-14	9092	7293	1278

During 2012-13 and 2013-14, KVIC issued new khadi certificates to two institutions in Rajasthan for implementation of khadi programme.

Indians returned from Gulf countries

1325. SHRI P. RAJEEVE: Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state

(a) the number of Indians who have returned from Gulf countries during the last three years; and

(b) the details thereof, country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) As reported by Indian Missions/Posts, details of the numbers of Indians who have returned from Gulf countries during the last three years country-wise are as follows:

Saudi Arabia: The Indian Embassy at Saudi Arabia does not have details of Indians who have returned from Saudi Arabia. However, the number of Indians who left on final exit after availing the grace period of Nitaqat in November, 2013 was over 1,40,000.

Iraq: 7082 Indian nationals were repatriated since January, 2014.

Yemen: 791 Persons of Indian Origin were repatriated from Yemen in 2011 due to political conflict and Arab Spring Revolution.

Kuwait: 5125 destitute Indians had been repatriated using the Indian Community Welfare Fund (ICWF) in the last three years. The Embassy has reported that the strength of Indian nationals in Kuwait has been rising in the same period.