

Vocational training in Rajasthan and Punjab

***139. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI:**

SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the new initiatives taken during the last three years by the Directorate General of Employment and Training in providing Vocational Training to women and girls in Rajasthan and Punjab;

(b) the Vocation-wise details thereof; and

(c) the number of girls and women that benefited during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) Some of the new initiatives taken during the last three years by DGE & T to promote skill training in the country are:

- 36 new trades have been introduced for training in Industrial Training Institutes/Industrial Training Centres (ITIs/ITCs) and seven obsolete trades have been deleted.
- Course curriculum, as per market need, is revised periodically. During last 3 years, course curriculum for nine trades have been revised as per the need to the Labour market.
- For better participation of women in skill training, the upper age limit for women in women exclusive ITIs/Wings have been waived off.
- A provision for reservation of 25% seats for women in general ITIs has been made.

(b) The details of the trades in which training is imparted in women exclusive ITIs in the State of Rajasthan and Punjab are enclosed as statement (See below).

(c) The total number of training seats available for women in women exclusive Training Institutes in a year are 6154 and 1104 in the State of Punjab and Rajasthan respectively. In addition to this, 25% seats in the general Training Institutes in Rajasthan, are reserved for women. Punjab has a large number of training seats for women. No specific reservation for women has been kept in General ITIs, but girls can also take admission in General ITIs.

Statement

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Details of the trades in which training is imparted in women exclusive ITIs in the state of:

Punjab

- Secretarial Practice
- Electronics Mechanics
- Computer Operator and Programming Assistant
- Instrument Mechanic
- Preservation of Fruits and Vegetables
- Dressmaking
- Embroidery and needle work
- Hair and Skin Care
- Cutting and Sewing
- Draughtsman Civil
- Information Technology and Electronic System Maintenance
- Stenography (English)
- Knitting with hand machine
- Radio and T.V. Mechanic

Rajasthan

- Steno Hindi
- Secretarial Practice
- Dressmaking
- Radio and T.V. mechanic
- Cutting and Sewing

- Hair and Skin Care
- Preservation of Fruits and Vegetables
- Electronics Mechanic
- Steno English
- Embroidery and Needle work
- Architectural Draughtsmanship
- Desk Top Publishing Operator.

Demolition/acquisition of Indian Rubat in Saudi Arabia

*** 140. SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI:** Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware about the number of Indian Rubat in existence in Saudi Arabia;

(b) how many of them have been demolished or acquired by the Saudi Arabian Government;

(c) whether Government of India have received any compensation in this regard or any alternative accommodation in lieu of the demolished or acquired Indian Rubats has been provided by the Saudi Government; and

(d) if not, what steps are being taken by Government to obtain alternative places?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (d) Indian Rubats in existence in Saudi Arabia were estimated to be about one hundred. Presently, the number of Rubats existing in Saudi Arabia is nine—six in Makkah and three in Madinah. None of them have been acquired/demolished by Saudi Arabian Government. A number of them were acquired/demolished over time by local authorities for expansion of the religious places including Holy Mosques in Makkah and Madinah or for other city development projects. The question of compensation or alternative accommodation in lieu of demolished or acquired Indian Rubats is primarily a matter between the concerned authorities of Saudi Arabia and legal heirs of Rubats. The Indian Mission and the Consulate General in Saudi Arabia extended assistance