

in the ambit of the programme. The Mission has supported 136 research projects, 160 research professionals, 2 advanced research facilities at industrial scale for achieving higher solar efficiency and test beds for decentralized power generation and cogeneration such as power, cooling, desalination etc. through national, bilateral and multilateral programs at a cost of ₹ 225 crores.

The Technology Mission on Water has addressed 19 water challenges pertaining to problems of water availability, water quality and water recycle in 25 clusters directly benefiting 212 villages from 23 States. So far, 200 R&D projects have been supported under mission and allied activities at a total cost of ₹ 125.16 crore. The Mission Programme has leveraged global experience through Indo-EU partnership and Dutch India Water Alliance for Leadership Initiative (DIWALI) for developing cost optimized water solutions.

(b) An allocation of ₹ 67 crores was made for Technology Mission on Clean Energy and Water during 2014-15. The allocation during the current year *i.e.* 2015-16 also remains the same.

Comprehensive plan for fresh entrants of labour

1535. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has formulated any comprehensive plan for 10.4 crore fresh entrants who will be entering labour market between 2015-2022 under Skill India Mission, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) The Government has taken several additional measures to scale skilling with speed and standards in the country. This includes:

- (i) The National Policy for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, 2015 which provides an umbrella framework to all skilling activities including skill development Scheme/programme being carried out within the country.
- (ii) A National Skill Development Mission which seeks to converge, coordinate, implement and monitor skilling activities on a pan-India basis. The Institutional framework of the National Skill Development Mission has been put in place with constitution of the Governing Council headed by the Prime Minister, Steering Committee chaired by Minister, SDE and Executive Committee.

- (iii) Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) a flagship outcome-based skill training Scheme was launched on 15 July, 2015 to benefit 24 lakh youth across India. So far over 17 lakh persons have been enrolled/trained under PMKVY.
 - (iv) Strategic partnerships have been undertaken between Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and other Ministries/Departments in the Central Government, to collaborate on scaling up skill training activities in specific sectors and leveraging existing infrastructure.
 - (v) Common Norms for all skill development programmes across Central Ministries/Departments.
- (b) Does not arise.

**Redressal of grievance and quality assurance under
Skill Development Scheme**

†1536. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the necessary measures are being given practical shape in mission mode to complete the target of training fifty crore people upto 2020 under new National Skill and Entrepreneurship Development Policy, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether necessary measures have been taken to ensure quality and redressal of grievances for the proper implementation of Skill Development Scheme, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) The Government has launched the National Skill Development Mission to provide overall institutional framework to rapidly implement and scale up skill development efforts across India. National Skill Development Mission initially consists of seven Sub-Missions in priority areas namely Institutional Training, Infrastructure, Trainers, Overseas Employment, Convergence, Sustainable Livelihoods and Leveraging Public Infrastructure. These Sub-Missions would serve as a building block for achieving overall objectives of the Mission. The Government has taken several policy interventions and initiatives for achieving the Mission objectives as under:—

- (i) National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) to organize qualifications according to series of level of knowledge, skills and aptitude.

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