Government has planned for setting up of 1,500 Multi Skill Training Institutes (MSTIs) in unserved blocks/underserved areas across the country.

(b) to (e) The scheme is under the process of Government Approval.

National apprenticeship promotion scheme in Andhra Pradesh

2836. SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has sanctioned a sum of ₹ 10,000 crore to the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) in August, 2016 to train cumulatively 50 lakh apprentices by 2019-20;
 - (b) if so, the respective target for Andhra Pradesh and Telangana;
 - (c) the funds released for both these states to achieve the targets; and
- (d) whether a monitoring cell has been set up in Visakhapatnam to co-ordinate skill development activities, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) Yes, Sir. Government of India has earmarked Rs. 10,000 crore for National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) in August, 2016 to train cumulatively 50 lakh apprentices by 2019-20.

- (b) Scheme does not have State specific targets. Scheme is open for all employers to register for NAPS and avail benefits under the scheme.
- (c) Fund released so far to the States Andhra Pradesh and Telangana is ₹ 2,47,36,050/- and ₹ 89,79,000/- respectively.
- (d) Regional Director under the O/o State Apprenticeship Advisor, Andhra Pradesh is monitoring the scheme in Vishakhapatnam.

Establishment of skill universities

2837. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether all the States have submitted their views regarding establishment of Skill Universities across the country;
 - (b) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (c) whether Government has arrived at any conclusion after obtaining the views of the State Governments, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) to (c) A Working Group was constituted on 31st March, 2015 to lay down the road map for setting up of Skills University. The Working Group submitted its Report on 22nd April, 2015 along with a draft Bill for establishment of National Skills Universities. The draft Bill was circulated to the Central Ministries/Departments concerned and State Governments for seeking their comments. So far, no comments have been received from States.

Registration of training partners under PMKVY

2838. SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the registration of private partners/training partners (TPs) under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) has been closed;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise, along with the district-wise details in case of Uttar Pradesh;
- (c) if not, the present procedure for registration of private partners/TPs under PMKVY;
- (d) the details of registration of private partners/TPs under PMKVY during 2017-18, State-wise and district-wise in case of UP; and
- (e) the details of steps Government would take to simplify the said registration in a time bound manner?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) to (e) Under PMKVY 2016-20, the registration of training centres/training providers for their accreditation and affiliation is being done under single window IT application known as SMART. SMART provides a transparent, unified and one-stop- solution to the training providers mandating time bound delivery of accreditation and affiliation of training providers. The details pertaining to the process of registration on SMART is available on the website at https://smart.nsdcindia.org. Under the scheme, as on date more than 600 PMKVY training centres are operational in the State of Uttar Pradesh.

Skill development schemes of ministries and departments

2839. SHRI MAJEED MENON: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of various schemes under skill development and entrepreneurship currently being implemented by Central Ministries/Departments;