

**Stipend to left wing extremists**

1733. SHRI A. K. SELVARAJ: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has commenced its partnership with the Ministry of Home Affairs whereby surrendered left wing extremists can take admission to an institute;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a stipend of ₹ 6,000 per month would be provided for a maximum period of three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE): (a) to (d) Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India is running “Surrender-cum-Rehabilitation Scheme of Left Wing Extremists”, to assimilate the surrendered Left Wing Extremists in the mainstream. Under the scheme, a surrendered LWE receives stipend amounting to ₹ 6000/- per month to pursue his/her studies in an institution for three years. The issue of getting such beneficiaries admitted in Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) affiliated under National Council of Vocational Training (NCVT), in order to impart skill, so that they may get any gainful employment, has been examined by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship. It has been found that, most of the surrendered LWE do not have requisite qualification for admission in ITIs. After consulting the concerned State Governments and MHA, the entry qualification for such candidate has been relaxed and a notification no. MSDE/DGT- 05/01/2018-PCT/LWE dated 28.04.2018, containing detailed guidelines has been circulated.

**Functioning of fake skill institutes**

1734. DR. R. LAKSHMANAN: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any report regarding functioning of fake skill institutes in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has taken any step to streamline the setting up of Training Institutes (TIs) under PMKVY to avoid mushrooming of fake institutions across the country;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE): (a) to (e) Under PMKVY 2016-20, accreditation, affiliation and continuous monitoring of the Training Centres (TC) are being done through a single window IT application SMART for imparting skill development training. As on 10.07.2018, about 7,213 TCs are operational under short term training of PMKVY 2016-20.

Ministry has been taking stern actions against fake/fraud agencies misusing the name of PMKVY by lodging FIR for preventing cheating of candidates. PMKVY empanelled training centres are monitored through various methodologies namely; self-audit reporting, call validations, surprise visits and monitoring through the Skills Development Management System (SDMS), SMART, AEBAS, social media platform, etc.

Under the scheme, PMKVY Monitoring Committee review and formulate framework on the critical cases related to monitoring issues of the stakeholders. Also, the Committee has formulated penalty grid (approved by Steering Committee for PMKVY) for taking action against erring/non compliant training centres/stakeholders. Based on the penalty grid, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), implementing agency of PMKVY under MSDE, has suspended training centers for noncompliance of PMKVY guidelines on multiple parameters and periodically publish the list on PMKVY official website.

#### **Sharda Prasad Committee recommendations on SSCs**

†1735. DR. VINAY P. SAHASRABUDDHE: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the recommendations of Sharda Prasad Committee constituted for Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) implemented so far;

(b) the strategy of Government in having to deal with the problems of streaming/diploma; and

(c) the efforts being made by Government for fast changing scenario for skill development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE): (a) to (c) The

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