

Skill development programmes in Assam

949. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of various skill development programmes undertaken in Assam and other North-Eastern States during the last two years;
- (b) the details of participation in these programmes; and
- (c) the details of placements that have been made to the participants who attended these programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE): (a) to (c) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing Capacity Building scheme for skilling of unemployed youth of North Eastern region in various sectors. The scheme aims to provide funding for skill development, enhancing of employability and competencies, and promotion of self-employment and entrepreneurships. Under the scheme, NSQF compliant courses are being imparted and payouts to TPs are as per the Common Norms. Under the scheme, as on 20.07.2018, 6,229 candidates have been enrolled across districts of NE States including State of Assam. The placement data is reported within 90 days of certification of trained candidate. Out of 4,404 certified candidates under CB scheme, 1,959 candidates have been placed in various sectors.

Additionally, under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY-2016-20), skill training (Fresh Short Term Training and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) is being provided to the prospective youth of the country including North Eastern States. The scheme also provides for additional incentives for participation of youth in the NE region and for attracting training capacity in this region. For incentivising the youth, there is also a provision of monthly travel allowance and post placement support to the youth in the NE States. Further, Training Centres (TCs) are paid 10% additional cost for training in the NE States. A new provision for allowing residential training for maximum of 50% of the candidates in NE region along with residential training in other parts of India outside NE region, which includes one-time transportation cost for 2017-18 and 2018-19 has also been approved by this Ministry.

As on 10.07.2018, 97,644 (57,642 STT+39,219 RPL+ 783 Special Projects) candidates have been trained including undergoing training (953 STT+ 100 Special Projects) under PMKVY 2016-20 in NE States including Assam. Under the modified

PMKVY 2016-20 scheme, placement tracking is mandatory. The placement data is reported within 90 days of certification of trained candidate. As per data reported on SDMS, as on 10.07.2018, 40,519 candidates are certified under Short Term Training of PMKVY 2016-20 in NE States. The number of candidates certified under Short Term Training of PMKVY in NE States 90 days prior i.e. 11.04.2018 is 28,966. Out of these candidates, as on 10.07.2018, 16,559 candidates have been placed in various sectors.

Steps to meet skilling target

950. SHRI VIVEK K. TANKHA: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 62 per cent of the country's population is within the working age of 15-59 years, yet only 5 per cent possess formal skills; and

(b) if so, what steps Government plans to take to meet the needs of 298 million existing work force in need of skills and re-skilling and how does it plan to meet the proposed total skilling target of 400 million by 2022?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE): (a) and (b) As per National Sample Survey Office report "Status of Education and Vocational Training in India", 2011-12, among persons of age 15-59 years, about 2.2% have received formal vocational training and 8.6% have received non-formal vocational training.

The Government is implementing a number of schemes for imparting employable skills to the youth through short term and long term training. Under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), the flagship scheme of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), about 50.20 lakh candidates have been trained so far. Initiative has also been taken to set up Model Skill Centres called Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs), in districts. As on date, 461 PMKKs have been established throughout the country. Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) infrastructure has been strengthened to impart long term training. There are 14,273 ITIs in the country with seating capacity of 30.7 lakh.

Convergence with more than 20 Central Ministries/Departments implementing skill development programmes has been initiated. Under this initiative 87 lakh people have so far been trained under various programmes of these Ministries/Departments in 2017-18.