

- (viii) Internet of Things (Smart Agriculture)
- (ix) Internet of Things (Smart Healthcare)
- (x) Internet of Things (Smart City)
- (xi) Smartphone Technician cum App Tester

Issuance of skill vouchers/wallets to attract youth for skilling courses

126. SHRI K.C. RAMAMURTHY: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry is thinking of issuing Skill Vouchers or Skill Wallets to attract youth to undertake skilling courses;
- (b) whether it denotes that the Ministry is now moving from subsidy-based system to incentive-based system;
- (c) whether the Ministry ever tried to find out the failures in subsidy-based system;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures Ministry proposed which also failed and now has proposed to adopt incentive-based system; and
- (e) how the above move would help to realize the dream to make India “Skill Capital” of the world?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJ KUMAR SINGH): (a) and (b) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship presently has no such scheme.

(c) to (e) Appraisal of the on-going schemes and consequent improvements is an ongoing process.

Programmes for skill development of socially and economically backward categories

127. SHRI HARNATH SINGH YADAV:

SHRI VIJAY PAL SINGH TOMAR:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any programmes are being organised by financial institutions for

capacity development and skill development of candidates belonging to socially and economically backward categories in the country in order to increase employment opportunities among the youth of the socially backward classes in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJ KUMAR SINGH): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship implements the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (2016 - 2020) to encourage and promote skill development for the youth throughout the country. The scheme aims to benefit 10 million youth over the period of four years (2016- 2020). The benefits under the scheme can be availed by any anyone fulfilling the criteria specified in guidelines including Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs). As on 12th June, 2019, number of SC, ST and OBC candidates benefited from the scheme is given in the Statement (*See below*).

In addition, a Special Project is being implemented at 40 locations in 13 States namely Andhra Pradesh, Delhi, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Odisha, Puducherry, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal by Muthoot Fincorp Pvt. Ltd. 80% of the trained candidates will be placed with Muthoot itself (Captive Placement). As per the details available so far 1679 candidates have been trained and 569 placed under project.

The three Corporations under Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment namely National Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Corporation (NSFDC), National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporations (NBCFDC) and National Safai Karamcharis Finance and Development Corporation (NSKFDC) also implement Skill Development Training Programmes for the socio-economic development of persons belonging to target groups *i.e.* Scheduled Castes (SCs), Other Backward Caste (OBCs)/ Economically Backward Class (EBC)/De-notified Nomadic Tribe (DNT)/Senior citizens including women, Safai Karamcharis/Manual Scavengers/Waste Pickers. These corporations sponsor skill development training programmes for providing employment opportunities under which 100% course fee and stipend @ ₹1,500/- per month for non-residential programmes is provided to SC candidates, ₹1000 to OBC/EBCs/DNTs and ₹ 1500 to Safai Karamcharis and ₹3000 to Manual Scavengers for developing their skills and make them employable either in self-employment or wage-employment.

Statement

*No. of SC, ST and OBC candidates benefitted from PMKVY
PMKVY 2, 2016-2020 till 12th June 2019, Youth 18 to 35 age, For OBC, SC, ST*

Type of Training	Total Enrolled	Total Trained	Total Assessed	Total Certified
STT	1497591	1364786	1243198	1108580
SPL	41792	33187	26469	22020
RPL	468439	458348	367949	331866
GRAND TOTAL	2007822	1856321	1637616	1462466

All data as on 12th June, 2019, Placement as reported, RPL orients candidate hence does not mandate placement

Training of People for entrepreneurship in Tamil Nadu

128. SHRI A. VIJAYAKUMAR: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of proposals to train young people for entrepreneurship, especially in Tamil Nadu; and
- (b) the number of concessions extended to startup entrepreneurship in recent years, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJ KUMAR SINGH): (a) To create sustainable livelihood opportunity for the youth of the country, various skill development programmes are run by the Ministry in the form of long term training programs through Directorate General of Training (DGT) and short term Skill Training Programmes viz Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY). These skill training programmes have a customized entrepreneurship orientation module integrated as a section of the employability skills. Under PMKVY, as on 15.06.2019, out of 12,11,463 skilled youth who have been linked to livelihood opportunities, more than 2 lakhs have taken up self employment/entrepreneurship.

- (b) Startup India is a flagship initiative of the Government of India (launched in January, 2016), intended to build a strong eco-system for nurturing innovation and Startups