

- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the 73rd Round of National Sample Survey (NSS), conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation during the period 2015-16, the estimated number of workers in unincorporated non-agriculture MSMEs in the country are 11.10 crore.

(c) to (e) The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) implements various schemes to enhance the production capacity of MSMEs across the country. These include Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Micro and Small Enterprises-Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Scheme for Promotion of MSMEs in North Eastern Region and Sikkim, Tool Rooms and Technology Centers; Mission Solar Charkha (MSC), Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme, Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP), Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) and Credit Linked Capital Subsidy and Technology Upgradation Scheme (CLCS-TUS).

#### **Strengthening of MSMEs**

3269. SHRI BHUBANESWAR KALITA : Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government had announced some measures to strengthen Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises during the last budget;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the extent to which these measures have actually proved to be beneficial to the MSME sector; and
- (d) whether these measure have provided employment opportunities and if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI) : (a) and (b) The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) implements various schemes for benefit of MSMEs in all parts of India. These

include Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), Micro and Small Enterprises- Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Scheme for Promotion of MSMEs in North Eastern Region and Sikkim, Tool Rooms and Technology Centers, Mission Solar Charkha (MSC), Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme, Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP), Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) and Credit Linked Capital Subsidy and Technology Upgradation Scheme (CLCS-TUS).

For Financial Year 2018-19, Government allocated ₹ 6552.61 crore to the Ministry of MSME. The allocation for Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), which is a credit linked subsidy programme aimed at generating self-employment opportunities through establishment of micro-enterprises in the non-farm sector by helping traditional artisans and unemployed youth, was increased from ₹ 1072.90 crore (Actual Expenditure) in 2017-18 to ₹ 2118.80 crore in 2018-19. A new scheme, Interest Subvention for Incremental Credit to MSMEs, was also introduced in the Budget 2018-19 for which allocation of ₹ 275 crore was made.

(c) and (d) During the financial year 2018-19: (i) 73,427 projects have been supported under the PMEGP; (ii) 17 Common Facility Centres and 11 Infrastructure Development Projects have been completed under Cluster Development Programme; (iii) 14,155 units have been benefitted with a subsidy of ₹980.44 Crore under the Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme; (iv) 4,35,520 credit Guarantee Proposals have been approved under the Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises (MSEs) and (v) 1,26,902 MSEs have been benefitted under, Public Procurement Policy.

#### **Re-opening of closed Khadi Gramodyog Centres**

3270. SHRI C.M. RAMESH : Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Khadi Gramodyog Centres in the country and out of these the number of such centres which are not functioning in the rural areas during the last three years and the reasons there for, State-wise; and

(b) the details of action Government has initiated to re-open the closed Khadi Gramodyog Centres and the rehabilitation of those employees, if not, reasons therefor?