

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 130#
TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.11.2021

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN RURAL AREAS

130#. MS. SAROJ PANDEY:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Small and Medium Enterprises functional in the country at present, according to the records of Government and the number of persons being provided employment through these enterprises directly or indirectly;
- (b) whether Government has prepared any special action plan for expansion of Small and Medium enterprises and to increase the employment opportunities in rural areas; and
- (c) if so, the details of its pattern and the amount of funds allocated by Government for this purpose?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI NARAYAN RANE)

(a): On 1st July, 2020, after adoption of new definition of MSMEs, a new registration portal 'Udyam Registration' has been launched by M/o MSME and so far 2,93,226 and 32,938 classified enterprises are registered in India as Small and Medium respectively on the portal (from 01.07.2020 to 23.11.2021).

As per 73rd Round of NSS Report on Unincorporated Non-Agricultural Enterprises' (July 2015- June 2016) conducted by Ministry of Statistics & PI, estimated number of MSMEs was 6.34 crore and estimated number of workers in MSME sector was 11.10 crore.

(b) to (c): The MSME sector is an important sector of the Indian economy. The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) implement various schemes for the growth and development of MSME sector in the country including rural areas. These includes Micro and Small Enterprises-Cluster Development Programme (MSE-CDP), Scheme of Fund for Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI), Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) and A Scheme for Promoting Innovation, Rural Industry & Entrepreneurship (ASPIRE).

Government has taken a number of initiatives under Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan to support the MSME Sector in the country especially in Covid-19 Pandemic. Some of them are:

- i. Rs 20,000 crore Subordinate Debt for MSMEs.
- ii. Rs 3 lakh crores Collateral free Automatic Loans for business, including MSMEs.
- iii. Rs. 50,000 crore equity infusion through MSME Fund of Funds.
- iv. New revised criteria for classification of MSMEs.
- v. New Registration of MSMEs through 'Udyam Registration' for Ease of Doing Business.
- vi. No global tenders for procurement up to Rs. 200 crores, this will help MSME.

As reported by the Credit Guarantee Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises on 16.11.2021, 754 guarantees amounting to Rs. 81.47 Crore have been approved under Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt (CGSSD).

As part of the Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan, under the Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS), an amount of Rs. 2.82 lakh crore has been sanctioned as on 12.11.2021.
