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Status of SHREYAS scheme

2267 Shri Iranna Kadadi:

Will the Minister of **Education** be pleased to state:

- (a) what is the status of the Scheme for Higher Education Youth in Apprenticeship and Skills (SHREYAS) scheme;
- (b) the details of the number of students who have received benefits under this scheme, State/UT-wise particularly in Maharashtra; and
- (c) the details of the budget allocated for this scheme in the last three years and amount spent?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
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(a) to (b) SHREYAS was not an approved scheme of Ministry of Education (MoE) but an action plan/program for implementing apprenticeship and skill embedded courses through the education system. SHREYAS was conceived for students in degree courses, primarily non-technical, with a view to introduce employable skills into their learning, promote apprenticeship as integral to education so that clear pathways towards employment opportunities are available to students during and after their graduation. SHREYAS portal was launched on 27.02.2019 for linking industry apprenticeship with degree courses through the National Apprenticeship Promotional Scheme (NAPS) of Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE). It was a programme basket comprising the initiatives of three Central Ministries, namely MoE, MSDE & the Ministry of Labour & Employment viz NAPS, the National Career Service (NCS) and introduction of B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. (Professional) courses in the higher educational institutions. Under SHREYAS, nearly 30,000 apprenticeship opportunities were created for existing graduates on the apprentice portal but the conversion of opportunities to contracts were insignificant.

(c) Since it was not an approved scheme, hence there is no budget or expenditure under the initiative.
