

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2155
TO BE ANSWERED ON 4TH AUGUST, 2022**

PRADHAN MANTRI ROJGAR YOJANA IN ANDHRA PRADESH

2155. SHRI SUBHAS CHANDRA BOSE PILLI:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government will enhance the collateral free loan of ₹ one lakh provided under the Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana to ₹ two lakhs;**
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;**
- (c) whether Government could extend the subsidy of 15 per cent on the project cost, up to ₹ fifteen thousand to the State of Andhra Pradesh at par with North Eastern Regions, Himachal Pradesh and Uttaranchal; and**
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?**

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI RAMESWAR TELI)**

(a) to (d): Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana (PMRY) was earlier being implemented by the Government and it was discontinued with effect from 01.04.2008. A new scheme namely Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) was formulated and came into force from 2008-09 by merging two employment generation schemes viz., PMRY and Rural Employment Generation Programme (REGP). Khadi & Village Industries Commission (KVIC) is the single national level nodal implementing agency for PMEGP. The scheme is implemented by KVIC, Khadi and Village Industry Boards (KVIBs), Districts Industries Centers (DICs) and Coir Board (for coir units) at State level.

Under PMEGP, financial assistance (loan) is admissible for maximum project cost up to Rs.50 lakh under manufacturing sector and Rs.20 lakh under service sector. General Category beneficiaries can avail of Margin Money subsidy of 25 % of the project cost in rural areas and 15% in urban areas. For special categories such as SC/ ST/ OBC/ Minorities/ Women/ Transgender/ Ex-serviceman/ Differently Able/ NER/ Hill, Border areas and Aspirational districts etc. the Margin Money subsidy is 35% in rural areas and 25% in urban areas.

Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) instructions provide for collateral free loans to MSMEs upto Rs.10.00 lakh. Accordingly, PMEGP scheme guidelines also provide that "no collateral security will be insisted upon by banks in line with the guidelines of RBI for projects involving loan up to Rs.10 lakh forwarded to them by the agencies under PMEGP".

PMEGP Scheme is applicable across the country including the State of Andhra Pradesh.