

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2237
TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2025

**FUNDS ALLOCATED TO ODISHA UNDER THE BETI BACHAO, BETI PADHAO
SCHEME**

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Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of funds allocated to Odisha under the Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao Scheme; and
- (b) the details of funds allocated to Odisha in promoting women's entrepreneurship in Odisha?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
(SHRIMATI SAVITRI THAKUR)

(a) : Annual allocation for the state of Odisha under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme is Rs. 8.60 Crores per annum for Financial Year 2023-24 and 2024-25.

(b) : The Government gives utmost priority to the empowerment of women through entrepreneurship in the country. To this end, the Government has adopted multi-pronged approach to address the welfare of women on a life-cycle continuum basis for their educational, social, economic and political empowerment so that they become equal partners in fast paced and sustainable national development. In the past few years, a number of initiatives have been taken for holistic development, empowerment and entrepreneurship of women in the country including Odisha.

Under Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), nearly 10.29 crore women are connected with around 91.75 lakh women's self-help groups that are transforming rural socio-economic landscape in the country.

A number of enabling provisions for creating congenial work environment for women workers have been incorporated in Labour Codes viz. the Code on Wages, 2019, the Industrial Relations Code, 2020, the Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020 and the Code on Social Security, 2020.

National Agriculture Market or e-NAM, an online trading platform for agricultural commodities is helping women overcome or compensate the barriers they face in accessing markets. National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) is playing a significant role to uplift women cooperatives as large number of women are engaged and involved in cooperatives dealing with activities related to food grain processing, plantation crops, oilseeds processing,

fisheries, dairy & livestock, spinning mills, handloom and power loom weaving, Integrated Cooperative Development Projects, etc.

To ensure economic independence of women through skill development and vocational training, the Government has also introduced Skill India Mission. Government has also set up the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana across the country. Emphasis has been laid on creating additional infrastructure both for training and apprenticeship for women

There are schemes like Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana and Stand-Up India, Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) which have been launched for helping women set up their own enterprises. To economically empower women, 84% of loans of sizes from rupees ten lakh to rupees one crore under 'Stand-Up India' have been made available to women by the Government.

The Sakhi Niwas Scheme (Working Women Hostel) under the SAMARTHYA vertical of Mission Shakti implemented by Ministry of Women & Child Development is a demand driven centrally sponsored scheme, under which funds are released directly to the States/UTs and aims to promote availability of safe and conveniently located accommodation for working women.

In order to enhance the employability of women, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing various initiatives such as :

- i. **Strengthening Entrepreneurial Climate through Capacity Building, Incubation Support, Mentoring, and Handholding under SANKALP Scheme-** The total funds allocated under the project amount to Rs. 51.51 Crore including Odisha.
- ii. **Skill Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE)-**The total funds allocated under the project amount to Rs. 16.83 Crore including Odisha.
- iii. **Rashtriya Udyamita Vikas Pariyojana on Pilot Basis for PM SVANidhi Beneficiaries-** The total funds allocated under the project amount to Rs. 0.9 Crore including Odisha.
- iv. **Entrepreneurial Climate through Training of Trainers (ToTs) and Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) in Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSSs)-** The total funds allocated under the project amount to Rs 1.78 Crore including Odisha.
- v. **Pilot Project for Entrepreneurship Development Program (EDP) -** The total funds allocated under the project amount to Rs. 2.94 Crore including Odisha
- vi. **Digital Marketing and Entrepreneurship Development for Women Self Help Groups** - The total funds allocated under the project amount to Rs. 2.5 Crore including Odisha

Further, The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare implements Central Sector Scheme 'NAMO DRONE DIDI' for providing 15,000 Drones to the Women Self Help Groups (SHGs), during the period of 3 years (2023-24 to 2025-26) with a view to provide sustainable business and livelihood support to them. 1094 drone have been distributed to drone didis of SHGs by Lead Fertilizer Companies (LFCs) in 2023-24 using their internal resources. 500 drones have been distributed under Namu Drone Didi Scheme. Out of these 500 drones, 12 drones have been distributed to the drone didi in Odisha.
