

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.641
TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2024**

GARIMA GREHS IN ANDHRA PRADESH

641. SHRI LAVU SRI KRISHNA DEVARAYALU:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that there are no functional Garima Grehs in Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the measures taken by the Government to establish functional Garima Grehs in the State;
- (c) the details of the funds allocated for the scheme and its utilization, State-wise;
- (d) the details of beneficiaries enrolled under 'Support for Marginalized Individual for Livelihood and Enterprise (SMILE)' in Andhra Pradesh, districtwise; and
- (e) the measures taken by the Government to increase the enrollment of individuals under SMILE, specifically for Andhra Pradesh?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
(SHRI A. NARAYANASWAMY)**

(a) to (d): Ministry has requested to various States including Andhra Pradesh for their recommendations to setting up of new shelter homes for transgender persons by competent and eligible CBOs/ NGOs.

At present, 12 Garima Grehs are running in various States i.e. Delhi, Odisha, Tamil Nadu, Bihar, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Rajasthan and West Bengal. The details of the funds allocated are at **Annexure-I**. Under sub-scheme of 'Central Sector Scheme for Comprehensive Rehabilitation for welfare of Transgender Persons' (SMILE), a National Portal for Transgender Persons has been developed wherein Transgender Persons can apply online for Transgender ID card and Certificate without any physical interference. The details of beneficiaries enrolled on this portal and issued TG certificates in Andhra Pradesh, district-wise are at **Annexure-II**.

(e): Ministry had issued directions time to time to States/UTs including Andhra Pradesh to increase the enrollment of individuals under various components of sub-scheme 'Central Sector Scheme for Comprehensive Rehabilitation for welfare of Transgender Persons of SMILE Scheme. The activities conducted/organized through National Institute of Social Defence (NISD) which is autonomous body of the Ministry are as under:

(i) Regular online refresher training program for District Magistrates/ District Collectors and DSWO officials on Transgender Persons Protection Act, 2019 rules 2020 and National Portal of Transgender persons were conducted.

(ii) Training programs have been conducted on TG act under which 640 participants participated including officials from Andhra Pradesh.

(iii) A helpline for queries related to portal is introduced.

(iv) Online webinars on TG Act 2019 and rules 2020 have been conducted in which persons from across India including Andhra Pradesh participated.

Further, as per inputs received from State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, 82 awareness programmes have been conducted in the State duly involving all the line departments.

Annexure referred to part (c) in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.641 to be answered on 06.02.2024

The State wise details of funds allocated are as under:

S. No	Name of the Garima Greh	State	Utilization of funds (Amount in Rs.)
1	Mitr Trust	Delhi	63,12,373
2	Sakha	Odisha	57,93,572
3	Transgender Rights Association	Tamil Nadu	38,93,815
4	Dostana Safar	Bihar	58,80,300
5	Kinnar Asmita, Tweet Foundation and Aarju	Maharashtra	1,62,15,578
6	Mitwa Sankalp Samiti	Chhattisgarh	56,03,503
7	Lakshya Trust	Gujarat	54,04,463
8	Nai Bhor Sansta	Rajasthan	59,27,509
9	Kolkata Rista and Gokhle Road Bandhan	West Bengal	76,06,730

Annexure referred to part (d)&(e) in reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.641 to be answered on 06.02.2024

A total of 2641 transgender persons were enrolled in the National Portal for Transgender Persons in which 2275 certificates were issued. The State of Andhra Pradesh third rank in SMILE programme enrollment in the country. The district-wise beneficiaries enrolled under 'Support for Marginalized Individual for Livelihood and Enterprise' are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the District	No. of certificates issued to Transgenders
1.	Srikakulam	81
2.	Parvathi Puram Manyam	82
3.	Vizianagaram	97
4.	Anakapalli	5
5.	Alluri Seetharam Raju	13
6.	Visakhapatnam	143
7.	Kakinada	70
8.	East Godavari	237
9.	Dr. BR Ambedkar Konaseema	3
10.	Eluru	0
11.	West Godavari	131
12.	Krishna	143
13.	NTR	49
14.	Guntur	104
15.	Palnadu	1
16.	Bapatla	0
17.	Prakasam	135
18.	SPSR Nellore	103
19.	Tirupati	4
20.	Chittoor	108
21.	Annamayya	2
22.	YSR	125
23.	Kurnool	391
24.	Nandyal	18
25.	Sri Satya Sai	12
26.	Annathapuramu	218
Total		2275
