

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *45
TO BE ANSWERED ON 25.07.2024

PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN MSMEs

*45. SMT. KAMALJEET SEHRAWAT:
SMT. APARAJITA SARANGI:

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

- (a) the percentage of women owners of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) registered during the last five years in the country, particularly in Himachal Pradesh;
- (b) the current number of women owners of registered MSMEs in the country, particularly in Himachal Pradesh and Odisha including Mayurbhanj district;
- (c) the number of MSMEs owned by women in 2013 as compared to that in 2024 in the country, particularly in Himachal Pradesh; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the participation of women in MSMEs in the country, particularly in NCT of Delhi and Himachal Pradesh?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(SHRI JITAN RAM MANJHI)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *45 FOR ANSWER ON 25.07.2024.

(a): The percentage of women owners of Micro, Small, Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) registered on Udyam and Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) since the launch of Udyam on 01.07.2020 and the launch of UAP on 11.01.2023 in the country is 39% and in the State of Himachal Pradesh is 21%.

(b): As on 23.07.2024, the number of women-owned MSMEs registered on Udyam and UAP in the country and the States of Himachal Pradesh and Odisha, including Mayurbhanj District, are as follows:

Particulars	Number of women-owned MSMEs as on 23.07.2024
India	1,84,59,809
State of Himachal Pradesh	43,834
State of Odisha	6,96,759
Mayurbhanj District	35,935

(c): The details of women-owned MSMEs registered on Udyam and UAP from the launch of Udyam and UAP till 23.07.2024 for the country and the State of Himachal Pradesh are as follows:

Comparison of Women Owned MSMEs		
Financial Year	2020-21 (Since 01.07.2020)	Cumulative (till 23.07.2024)
All India	4,88,006	1,84,59,809
Himachal Pradesh	1,884	43,834

(d): The Government has taken a number of initiatives to increase the participation of women in MSMEs in the country, including in NCT of Delhi and Himachal Pradesh, such as:

- i. To benefit women entrepreneurs, the Public Procurement Policy was amended in 2018 mandating Central Ministries/Departments/Undertaking to procure at least 3% of their annual procurement from women entrepreneurs.
- ii. Udyam Registration Portal was launched on 01.07.2020 which is fully online, paperless and based on self-declaration. Those with PAN details can register on Udyam and become eligible for Priority Sector Lending (PSL) and to avail of benefits of schemes of the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises. Special drives for registration of women owned MSMEs under Udyam Registration Portal are undertaken.
- iii. For those informal enterprises which do not have PAN and are exempted from GST, Udyam Assist Platform (UAP) was launched on 11th January 2023. More than 63% of the enterprises registered on UAP are owned by women.

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- iv. To support Women Entrepreneurs under Credit Guarantee Scheme for Micro and Small Enterprises, the following two provisions have been introduced for women entrepreneurs w.e.f. 01.12.2022:
 - i. Guarantee coverage of up to 85%, as against the 75% for others; and
 - ii. 10% concession in annual Guarantee fees
- v. The Ministry of MSME also implements Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP), which is a major credit-linked subsidy programme aimed at generating self-employment opportunities through establishment of micro-enterprises in the non-farm sector by helping traditional artisans and rural/urban unemployed youth. Out of the total PMEGP beneficiaries, 39% are women and they are provided higher subsidy (35%) vis-a-vis non-special category (upto 25%).
- vi. Participation of women entrepreneurs in trade fairs under Procurement and Marketing Support Scheme is subsidized 100% vis-a-vis 80% for other entrepreneurs.
- vii. The Ministry of MSME launched 'PM Vishwakarma' Scheme on 17.09.2023, to provide a number of benefits to the traditional artisans and craftspeople including women, engaged in 18 trades. The enrolment of women artisans has been 75.46% of the total enrolment under the scheme.
- viii. The Ministry of MSME launched an initiative namely "Yashasvini", on 27.06.2024, which aims to campaign, with a focus in Tier-II/III towns, for women entrepreneurs and empower women by building their capacity.
