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LABOUR FORCE

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

- (a) the details of the new methods created for skill building during the Tenth Five Year Plan period for the entire labour force;
- (b) the extent to which these new methods helped the labour force to acquire vocational skills;
- (c) whether the strategy for skill building framed in the Tenth Plan has achieved its goal;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken by the Government to adopt effective strategy for skill building for the Eleventh Five Year Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU)

(a) to (d) During the Tenth Five Year Plan, a Centrally Sponsored Scheme, namely 'Testing & Certification of skills of workers in Informal Sector' has been taken up by this Ministry for testing & certification of skills of workers acquired through informal mode.

The scheme is presently being implemented by the States of Jammu & Kashmir, Kerala, Orissa, Punjab and Tamil Nadu; besides other agencies like Construction Industry Development Council (CIDC), National Academy of Construction (NAC), Hyderabad; and Cane & Bamboo Technology Centre (CBTC), Guwahati. So far, about 8000 construction workers were tested and certified under the scheme.

(e) Not applicable.