

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) The objective of Rajiv Gandhi Udyami Mitra Yojana (RGUMY);
- (b) the funds provided by the Government to such Yojana and the number of persons benefited during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any area specific plans under this scheme;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) The objective of Rajiv Gandhi Udyami Mitra Yojana (RGUMY) is to provide handholding support to first generation entrepreneurs in the establishment and management of their enterprise. The handholding support is provided through the empanelled lead agencies i.e. 'Udyami Mitras'. For rendering this support, the Government provides assistance in the form of hand-holding charges to Udyami Mitras.

(b) The details of funds provided by the Government for the scheme during the last three years and the current year are as under:

2006-07 2007-08 2008-09 2009-10

Funds provided - BE The Scheme was 6.75 12.00 5.00

(in Rs. Crore) not in existence

The details of the number of persons benefited under the scheme (State-wise) are placed at Annexure- I.

(c) and (d) As per the scheme guidelines, the beneficiaries from North-Eastern Region (NER) are exempt from payment of the beneficiary's contribution of Rs 1000/- to Udyami Mitras towards handholding charges, for availing the handholding assistance. Such contribution is provided as grant by the Government.

(e) Question does not arise.