

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:353
ANSWERED ON:28.07.2009
RAJIV GANDHI UDYAMI MITRA YOJANA
Singh Shri Rajnath

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

- (a) whether the scheme of Rajiv Gandhi Udyami Mitra Yojana is functional in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the extent to which the scheme has succeeded in entrepreneurship development in the country ?

Answer

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

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

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) IN RESPECT OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 353 FOR ANSWER ON 28.07.2009

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) The objective of Rajiv Gandhi Udyami Mitra Yojana 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'.

(c) Since its launch on 7th February-2008, 14 sensitization workshops at regional /state level have been organized to create awareness about the scheme. So far 209 organizations have been empanelled as 'Udyami Mitras' under the scheme and 11 training programmes have been organized for providing hands-on training to key functionaries of these 'Udyami Mitras'. These 'Udyami Mitras', in turn, have so far registered 2318 first generation entrepreneurs for providing them handholding assistance in the establishment of their enterprises.