

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

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TRAINING PROGRAMMES IN SMALL INDUSTRIES  
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**Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of the training programmes conducted for skill development for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises alongwith the number of beneficiaries from the said trainings including details of training exchange programmes with foreign countries; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to make the training programmes more relevant?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises conducts various training programmes through its Tool Rooms, MSME Development Institutes and other organizations under the Ministry. While the Tool Rooms offer various training programmes to meet the wide spectrum of technical manpower required in the manufacturing sector, the thrust of training programmes conducted by the MSME-Development Institutes are on entrepreneurial skills development coupled with specific skills relating to trades like electronics, electrical, food processing, etc, which enables the trainees to start their own ventures. In addition, Khadi and Village Industry Commission (KVIC) and Coir Board provide grass root training to the artisans and rural entrepreneurs in basic skills. The training programmes are regularly evaluated and the coursewares are regularly updated to make them more relevant. The agencies under the Ministry of MSME conducted skill development programmes for 2.6 lakh trainees during 2008-09.

In addition training programmes are also conducted by other Government Departments and private agencies for skill development of micro, small and medium entrepreneurs.