

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

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CENTRAL FOOTWEAR TRAINING INSTITUTES
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Central Footwear Training Institutes (CFTIs) have been set up for promotion of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details and nature of training provided in these institutes;
- (d) the manner in which the training at these institutes is different from other institutes;
- (e) the extent to which MSMEs sector has been benefited by CFTIs;
- (f) whether Government proposes to set up more such institutes in the country; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Two Central Footwear Training Institutes (CFTIs) have been set up in Chennai and Agra respectively. These Institutes impart training in Footwear & allied industries and provide Common Facility Services, Techno Managerial Consultancy Services including designing to the MSME enterprises..

(c): CFTIs are conducting long term and short term training courses for footwear and allied industries. The long term courses which are of one year or two years duration, relate to footwear technology and designing. The short term courses, ranging from 1 month to 6 months duration, cover subjects such as computerized shoe designing, shoe upper clicking, upper closing etc and need-based courses for MSME enterprises.

(d): The CFTIs impart rigorous hands-on training on footwear manufacturing techniques with focus on self-employment. There is also emphasis on new product development. These Institutes offer a two years Diploma Course in "Footwear Manufacturing & Designing", which is accredited with International Textile Institute, U.K., one of the internationally reputed institutions in the field of training in footwear & textile sector.

(e): Number of trainees trained and number. of units benefitted by CFTIs during the last three years are given below:

Number of Candidates Trained				
Name of the Institute	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	
CFTI, Agra	5022	5336	5603	
CFTI, Chennai	8345	8912	10525	

Number of MSME Units Assisted				
Name of the Institute	2009 - 10	2010 - 11	2011 - 12	
CFTI, Chennai	1095	1562	1354	
CFTI, Agra	475	528	569	

(f)&(g): There is no proposal at present to set up more such Institutes.