

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
LOK SABHA**

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ENTREPRENEURIAL ACTIVITIES AND START- UP UNITS  
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**Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government is taking any measures to promote start-ups and entrepreneurial activities amongst youth, particularly in the management schools in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to provide any scholarships/fellowships investment facilities to young entrepreneurs with innovative ideas of businesses;
- (d) if so, the details of such initiatives, year-wise, during the last three years; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
(SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) to (e) Entrepreneurship and Skill Development Training for youth are being implemented through central sector schemes by various Ministries/ Departments such as Ministry of Small Medium Enterprises (MSME), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Ministry of Human Resource Development. Further, MSME has introduced a scheme called "Support for Entrepreneurial and Managerial Development of SMEs through incubator" while the DST has been implementing the programme under the S&T Entrepreneurship Development for promotion of technology based entrepreneurship. It has also provided seed funding up to Rs 200 lakhs in a phased manner to some of the Technology Business Incubators (TBI). Similarly, a new 'Scheme for Promoting Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Agro Industry' is under formulation to set up a network of technology centre and incubation centres to accelerate entrepreneurship and to promote start-ups for innovation and entrepreneurship in agro-industry.