

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

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SD in Remote/Border Areas

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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any special scheme/policy for Skill Development of the youth particularly in remote/border tribal areas; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise including Jammu and Kashmir?

Answer

(a) Directorate General of Training, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing schemes titled "Enhancing Skill Development Infrastructure in NE States & Sikkim", "Skill Development in 34 Districts Affected by Left Wing Extremism", "Vocational Training Improvement Project with World Bank Assistance", "Skill Development Initiative (SDI)" and "Upgradation of 1396 Government ITIs through PPP" for skill development of youth in the country which includes remote/border and tribal areas.

(b) The State-wise details of these schemes are at Annex-I.

ANNEX – I

ANNEX REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 358 DUE FOR REPLY ON 22/07/2015

1. Details of the scheme 'Enhancing Skill Development Infrastructure in North Eastern States and Sikkim'

The scheme was formulated in 2011 at a total of Rs. 57.39 crore to enhance the existing infrastructure of skill development in North Eastern States. The scheme is aimed for Upgradation of 20 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) by introducing three new trades per ITI and Supplementing Infrastructure deficiencies in 28 ITIs by constructing new hostel, boundary wall and supplementing old and obsolete tools and equipment.

Scheme will continue up to 31st March 2017 at a revised cost of Rs. 298.13 crore with new component for "establishment of 22 ITIs" in 8 North-eastern States.

The scheme has provision for Central assistance to States in following four components:

1. Upgradation of 20 ITIs by introducing three new trades per ITI;
2. Supplementing infrastructure deficiencies in 28 ITIs by constructing new hostel, boundary wall and supplementing old and obsolete tools and equipment;
3. Funding Monitoring Cells at Central & State Level; and
4. Establishment of 22 New ITIs in 8 States

So far, an amount of Rs. 96.69 crore has been released under the scheme.

2. Details of the scheme: "Skill Development in 34 Districts Affected by Left Wing Extremism"

The scheme is implemented from March, 2011. The total cost is Rs. 241.65 crore and will continue up to 31.03.2016.

Components:

(i) Skill training programmes for

â€¢ 1000 youth in Long Term Training @ 30 per district

â€¢ 4000 youth in Short Term Training @ 120 per district

â€¢ Train 340 youth in Instructor Training @ 10 per district

(ii) Infrastructure will be created for:-

â€¢ 34 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) @ one ITI per district

â€¢ 68 Skill Development Centres (SDCs) @ two SDCs per district

So far, an amount of Rs. 117.85 crore has been released under the scheme.

3. Details of the scheme 'Vocational Training Improvement Project With Assistance from the World Bank'

The scheme covers upgradation of 400 Government ITIs in 34 States/UTs including Jammu & Kashmir. The project started in December 2007 and its closing date is September 2015.

Physical component consisted of setting up of new classrooms, workshops and modernization of tools, equipment and machinery, training of trainees and ensuring congenial environment.

Under the Project, Rs. 1602.10 crore has been released to 34 States/UTs against which States have utilised Rs. 1424.14 crore till May 2015

4. Details of the scheme 'Skill Development Initiative'

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing Skill Development Initiative Scheme (SDIS) to provide vocational training to people especially in informal sector to develop skilled manpower for the industry since May 2007 through a network of Vocational Training Providers (VTPs) located across the country.

Existing skills of the persons can also be tested and certified under the scheme.

Testing/ assessment of the competencies is done by independent empanelled assessing bodies. 116 organizations have been empanelled as assessing Bodies for conducting assessment.

Training is provided by various Vocational Training Providers (VTPs) under Central Government, State Governments, Public and Private sector industrial establishments. 12675 Vocational Training Providers are registered across the country.

Presently, 578 course modules covering 68 sectors of economy are operational.

Courses are available for persons having completed 5th Standard or have functional literacy and numeracy skills.

The passed out candidates provided NCVT certificate which is nationally and internationally recognized.

The implementation of the scheme is being done through web portal.

35.55 lakh persons have been trained/ tested across the country since inception.

Under the scheme, special provisions have been made for the students including youth and women of North East region given below as:

10% additional expenditure per hour per trainee appearing for assessment after the training, for modules run in North Eastern States including Sikkim.

Expenditure at the rate of Rs.300/- per day per trainee on boarding and lodging and up to Rs.5000/- per trainee for to and fro transportation for trainees living in North East region including Sikkim would be admissible under the scheme when candidates living in such areas undergo training outside these areas.

VTPs are right now registered with a particular State, depending upon where they are located. In view of the special provision now created for training of candidates living in North East region including Sikkim outside, it is expected that good number of candidates from such difficult areas would get trained by VTPs located outside.

5. Details of the scheme 'Upgradation of 1396 Govt. ITIs through PPP'

Under the scheme of Upgradation of 1396 Government ITIs through PPP, a total 1227 Government ITIs have been covered throughout the country in 31 States/UTs including remote/border and tribal areas during the XI Plan period (between 2007-08 and 2011-12). Each ITI covered under the scheme was given an amount of Rs 2.50 Crore as interest free loan for the purpose of upgradation. Release of fund has come to end by 31.03.2012

Out of the 1227 Government ITIs covered 195 ITIs are in remote/border/tribal areas. Total fund released in this scheme for these 195 ITIs is Rs. 487.50 crore, out of which Rs. 47.50 crore has been released for the State of Jammu and Kashmir.