

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

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MSMEs in North-Eastern Region  
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**Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the North-Eastern Region particularly in Assam;
- (b) the details of measures and action taken by the Government for promotion, financial assistance and technology support for MSMEs in the Region;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any steps for generation of more employment and setting up of MSMEs development Institute in the region; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and funds allocated for the purpose during the current year?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF  
MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
(SHRI GIRIRAJ SINGH)

(a): As per the latest Census (Fourth Census) as well as data extracted from Economic Census 2005 conducted by Central Statistics Office (CSO), Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) for activities excluded from Fourth Census, namely wholesale/retail trade, legal, educational & social services, hotel & restaurants, transports and storage & warehousing (except cold storage), the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the North-Eastern Region, including Assam are as under:

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No. State Number of MSMEs (in lakh)
1. SIKKIM 0.17
2. ARUNACHAL PRADESH 0.41
3. NAGALAND 0.39
4. MANIPUR 0.91
5. MIZORAM 0.29
6. TRIPURA 0.98
7. MEGHALAYA 0.88
8. ASSAM 6.62
Total 10.64

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(b): The Government facilitates the promotion and development of MSMEs in the country including North-Eastern Region by improving access to finance through implementation of Credit Guarantee Scheme, Performance and Credit Rating Scheme, etc. and supporting technology development through implementation of various schemes/programmes like Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, National Manufacturing Competitiveness Programme etc.

(c) & (d): The Government is implementing Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) in the country including North-Eastern Region to facilitate generation of employment. The Margin Money Subsidy released during the current year (as on 16.07.2015), for North-Eastern Region under the PMEGP is Rs. 108.01 Crores. There are four MSME-Development Institutes (DIs) located at Guwahati, Agartala, Gangtok, and Imphal with their Branch institutes in the region.