

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Entrepreneurship Culture in Rural Areas
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the schemes implemented by the Government for promotion of entrepreneurship culture in the rural areas of the country along with the steps taken in this regard during each of the last three years and the current year; and
- (b) the State-wise and scheme-wise details of implementation of these schemes in various States of the country including Jharkhand?

Answer

(a) & (b) The Hon'ble Finance Minister in his Budget speech (2014-15) made an announcement on 10th July, 2014 for setting up of a "Start - up Village Entrepreneurship Programme" (SVEP) for encouraging rural youth to take up local entrepreneurship programmes. Accordingly, the Ministry of Rural Development has recently launched a SEVP Scheme to provide support for start - up to 1 crore village enterprises and to provide direct employment to 2 crore people. In the first phase of validating concept, SEVP is expected to support creation and strengthening of about 1.82 lakh village enterprises in 125 Blocks across 24 States including Jharkhand in the targeted four years i.e 2014-2019. This is expected to create employment for about 3.78 lakh persons.