

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
RURAL DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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SKILL DEVELOPMENT OF YOUTH  
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has launched any scheme for skill development of the youth in the country, especially in Bihar so as to bring forward the talented youth in the rural areas in the development process of the society and the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

- (a) As per available information with National Skill Development Agency (NSDA), set up to coordinate and harmonize the skill development efforts of the Government, skill development activities are funded by Government through 70 schemes being implemented in all States/UTs and administered separately by 20 Ministries/Departments in the Government. However, the Ministry of Rural Development is specifically undertaking two skill development schemes for rural poor youth, viz, a Placement Linked Skill Development Programme called Aajeevika Skills and a skilling program for rural youth for self employment called RSETI. Both the schemes are implemented in all the States/UTs, including Bihar.
- (b) As per available information on skilling of rural poor youth under Aajeevika Skills and RSETI, details of State/UT-wise achievement during the year 2013-14 are given in the Annexure I and II. However, consolidated State/UT-wise information on skilling undertaken in all 70 schemes is not maintained centrally by NSDA.
- (c) Does not arise in view of the reply given above.