

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2422  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.12.2021**

**SECTOR SKILL COUNCIL**

**2422. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:  
SHRI TALARI RANGAIAH:**

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

- (a) whether the Government plans to expand the number of Sector Skill Councils to include all traditional skills so that all the artisans/weavers/farmers, etc., are able to hone their skills further and earn sustainable livelihood, if so the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the Government maintains a database of traditional workers trained and employed/ self-employed through such programmes, if so details therefor?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF  
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP  
(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)**

(a) National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), under the aegis of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has, so far, formed 37 Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) which cover all the major sectors to fulfil the skilling needs of their respective sectors. Establishment of further Sector Skill Councils is based on multiple criteria like support from Industry for creation of SSC, interest from Industry to participate in the activities of SSC, existing work force of sector, need for upskilling/reskilling of existing workforce, likely addition of new workplace in the next 5-10 years, etc. SSCs can also be approved if the target segment is special and unorganized but is sizable and needs skilling for better opportunities of employment, e.g., Skill Council for PwD, Domestic Workers Skill Council etc. 7 SSCs are working for the needs of artisans/weavers/farmers.

(b) Yes Sir. Sector-wise details of workers trained and employed/self-employed since 2016-17 are placed below:

SI No	Sector	Trained	Reported placed
1	Agriculture	768846	44467
2	Food Processing	170328	7679
3	Furniture & Fittings	168204	5640
4	Gems & Jewellery	117658	10425
5	Handicrafts & Carpets	254786	4910
6	Leather	173510	7414
7	Textiles & Handlooms	252264	9687

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