

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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DDU-GKY
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of skilled workers as per the demand in rural market, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government has launched "Deendayal Upadhyaya Gramin Kaushal Yojna" (DDU-GKY) for skill development of rural youths to meet demand in the market, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total number of training camps associated with the said scheme, State/UTwise including Karnataka;
- (d) the number of rural youths who have been given training under Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Gramin Kaushal Yojana (DDU-GKY) till now, State/UT-wise; and
- (e) the total number of rural youths targeted to be trained under the above scheme, State/UT-wise including Karnataka?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI RAM KRIPAL YADAV)

(a) : Data on demand for skilled workers in rural market is not maintained in the Ministry. However, as per available information, only 1.83% of workers in the age group of 15-59 years in rural India has received / was receiving formal vocational training. It is estimated that a total of 128.25 million workforce in farm sector are either unskilled or require skilling.

(b) : DDU-GKY aims to skill rural youth who are poor and provide them with jobs having regular monthly wages at or above minimum monthly wages. It is one of the cluster of initiatives of Government to promote rural livelihoods. The scheme, inter-alia, provides for:

â€¢ A Market-led, placement-linked training programme for rural youth.

â€¢ Mandatory assured placement to 70% of the trained candidates.

â€¢ Focus on rural youth from poor families in the age group of 15 to 35 years.

â€¢ Social inclusion of candidates through mandatory coverage of socially disadvantaged groups.

â€¢ Post-placement support to candidates.

â€¢ Career progression support, Retention support and Foreign placement support provided for quality outcome.