

ROLE OF NRLM IN ENHANCING SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

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Under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM), this Ministry implements Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) and Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETI) programmes for skill development of rural poor youth through their employment to eradicate poverty in the country.

Objective of DDU-GKY is to provide placement linked skilling for rural youth, who are poor and provide them with jobs having regular monthly wages at or above the minimum wages. DDU-GKY is a placement-linked skill development programme for rural poor youth in the age group of 15-35 years. It empowers the rural poor youth with employable skills and facilitates their participation in regular labour markets. DDU-GKY guideline provides social inclusion of SC/ST (50%), Women (33%), and PwDs (5%).

RSETI is a Ministry of Rural Development funded training institutions established by the sponsoring Banks in their Districts, to provide training for skill and entrepreneurship development. This Ministry extends financial support for the construction of RSETI building and also bears the cost of training the 'rural poor' candidates. There is also a provision for training at RSETI to any unemployed youth in the age group of 18-50 year having an aptitude to take up self-employment or wage employment.

In the country, under DDU-GKY a total of 17,50,784 candidates have been trained and a total of 11,48,247 candidates have been placed, and under RSETI, a total of 56,69,265 candidates have been trained and a total of 40,99,578 candidates have been settled since inception till June 2025.

Further, an MoU between the Ministry of Rural Development and the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has been signed in June 2025.

Under DDU-GKY, projects are implemented in project mode by Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs). These PIAs may be any entity, which is:

- i) a Government or semi-government organization at the National and State level,
- ii) NGO registered with NITI Aayog,
- iii) registered under Indian Trust Acts or any State Society Registration Act or any State Cooperative Societies or Multi-State Cooperative Acts or the Companies Act 2003 or the Limited Liability Partnership Act 2008, or Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and its federations namely Cluster Level Federation/Block Level Federation,
- iv) more than three years old entity except Start-ups, etc.

State-wise number of Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs) including in Jharkhand state under DDU-GKY is given at **Annexure-I**.

RSETI is a bank led scheme.

ANNEXURE I

“Role of NRLM in enhancing skill development and employment opportunities”

State / UT	Total No. of PIAs
ANDAMAN & NICOBAR ISLANDS	4
ANDHRA PRADESH	35
ARUNACHAL PRADESH	4
ASSAM	12
BIHAR	7
CHHATTISGARH	10
GUJARAT	15
HARYANA	32
HIMACHAL PRADESH	18
JAMMU & KASHMIR	10
JHARKHAND	28
KARNATAKA	7
KERALA	24
MADHYA PRADESH	21
MAHARASHTRA	43
MANIPUR	6
MEGHALAYA	7
MIZORAM	3
NAGALAND	5
ODISHA	26
PUDUCHERRY	3
PUNJAB	32
RAJASTHAN	31
SIKKIM	3
TAMIL NADU	36
TELANGANA	28
TRIPURA	4
UTTAR PRADESH	90
UTTARAKHAND	14
WEST BENGAL	23
Grand Total	466

Source: Kaushal Bharat portal.

This information was given by Minister of State for Rural Development Shri Dr. Chandra Sekhar Pemmasani in a written reply in Rajya Sabha today.

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