

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1548**  
ANSWERED ON 29.07.2022

**EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF SAMARTH UDYOG BHARAT 4.0 SCHEME**

**1548. SHRI P. WILSON:**

**Will the Minister of Heavy Industries be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Ministry is considering expanding the scope of SAMARTH Udyog Bharat 4.0 scheme as there are only five Common Engineering Facility Centre Projects currently under the scheme;
- (b) how many incubators has the Ministry recognised under the scheme; and
- (c) how many partners has the Ministry collaborated with in order to achieve the objectives of the scheme and if so, the details thereof and if there are no partners so far, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES  
(SHRI KRISHAN PAL GURJAR)

(a) Under the Scheme for “Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector”, launched by Government in the year 2014, fifteen Common Engineering Facility Centres (CEFCs) including four Industry 4.0 SAMARTH centres and 6 technology innovation platforms have been established at IIT, Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru, CMTI Bengaluru, Heavy Engineering Corporation (HEC), Ranchi, HMT Bengaluru etc. to provide infrastructural and technical support to Industrial clusters including testing, training, certification, common manufacturing, tool room, calibration to MSMEs.

In addition to this, the Phase 2 of the Scheme for Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector has also been notified on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2022.

Under this Scheme, there is a component for “Setting up of four Common Engineering Facility Centres (CEFCs) and augmentation of existing CEFCs”.

Under this component, a project namely **Common Engineering Facility Centre by BHEL for skilling in Advanced Welding Technologies** has already been sanctioned with total project cost of Rs 87.06 crores.

- (b) No incubator has been identified under the Scheme so far.
- (c) Under the Phase 1 of the Scheme, 4 SAMARTH Udyog Centre have been established in collaboration with the following Academic and Research Institutes/ Industries:
- i. Central Manufacturing Technology Institute (CMTI), Bengaluru;
  - ii. IITD-AIA Foundation for Smart Manufacturing (IAFSM);
  - iii. Samarth Udyog Technology Forum (SUTF), Pune;
  - iv. Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru

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