

National SC-ST Hub (NSSH)

PIB Analysis

- **Implementing Agency** - National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC), under the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME)
- **Core Objective** - Broaden participation, build technical and managerial capabilities, and facilitate direct market access for Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) enterprises across India.

Reach and Impact Indicators

- **Total Beneficiaries Assisted** - 1,90,414 (since inception through July 31, 2026).
- **Skills and Capacity Building** -
 - 54,499 candidates trained since inception.
 - 10,717 candidates trained in FY 2025-26 across 47 partner institutions in 27 States (55% women participation).
- **Public Procurement Growth** - Public procurement from SC/ST-owned MSEs grew nearly 39-fold, rising from Rs.99.37 crore in 2015-16 to Rs.4,013.42 crore (from 12,524 MSEs) in 2025-26.
- **Top 5 Performing States** - Uttar Pradesh, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, and Assam.

Core Schemes and Financial Support Interventions

- **Special Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme (SCLCSS)**
- **Subsidy Rate** - 25% capital subsidy (capped at Rs.25 lakh) on institutional credit for purchasing plant, machinery, and equipment.
- **Impact (2016 - March 2026)** - Rs.356.10 crore disbursed to 3,160 MSEs across 233 districts.

Single Point Registration Scheme (SPRS)

- **Procurement Benefits** - Provides free tender sets and waives Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) requirements.
- **Mandated Reservation** - Under the Public Procurement Policy, Central

Ministries, Departments, and CPSEs must procure 25% annually from MSEs, with 4% specifically reserved for SC/ST-owned MSEs.



Special Marketing Assistance Scheme (SMAS)

- **Exhibition Support** - Subsidizes participation in up to 4 domestic and 2 international trade fairs per financial year.
- **International Funding Limits** - Up to Rs.3 lakh (Micro), Rs.2.5 lakh (Small), and Rs.1.5 lakh (Medium).
- **FY 2025-26 Outreach** - Facilitated 141 SC/ST MSEs across 4 domestic exhibitions; conducted 247 Special Vendor Development Programmes, 197 e-tendering workshops, and 230 awareness drives.

Financial Cost Reimbursements (80% Subsidy Cap)

Support Category	Maximum Reimbursement Cap
Bank Loan Processing Fees	80% or up to Rs.10,000
Bank Guarantee Charges	80% or up to Rs.100,000 (for government/PSU tenders)

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Testing and Certification Fees	80% or up to Rs.100,000 / FY (NABL/BIS-accredited laboratories)
Export Promotion Council (EPC) Fee	80% or up to Rs.20,000
E-Commerce Portal Membership	80% or up to Rs.25,000 (Platforms - GeM, e-Khadi, TRIFED, MSME Mart)

Top-Tier Management Training Reimbursement

- **Coverage** - 90% reimbursement of course fees (capped at Rs.100,000 per financial year) for short-term executive courses (1-30 days) at Top-50 NIRF-ranked management institutes.

Business Accelerator Programme (BAP) Success Stories

- **M/s Safety and Security Engineering (West Bengal)** - Led by Debasish Mondal; improved product pricing and tender positioning, successfully securing contracts worth Rs.8.48 lakh from Power Grid Corporation of India.
- **M/s Renergy Solution Pvt. Ltd. (Assam)** - Led by Bhargav Deori; restructured operational workflows to meet technical readiness for high-value government clean-energy tenders.
- **Sawalaram Enterprises (Maharashtra)** - Led by Sunil Popatrao Jagtap; refined public procurement bidding strategies, securing a Rs.5.10 lakh tender from Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) for hydraulic cylinders.

Reference

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