Government launches monitoring system for skill development scheme

Housing and urban poverty alleviation minister M. Venkaiah Naidu urged his ministry officials to ensure that states step up efforts to ensure skill development and augmenting livelihood opportunities in urban areas under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana. *Photo: Pradeep Gaur/Mint*

**New Delhi:** Housing and urban poverty alleviation (HUPA) minister M. Venkaiah Naidu on Tuesday launched an online monitoring system to check progress on skill development and enhancing livelihood opportunities for urban poor under Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana (DAY).

The ‘management information systems’ (MIS), developed by National Informatics Centre (NIC) at a cost of Rs2.24 crore, enables real-time and regular monitoring of the progress under the seven components of DAY which include employment through skill training and placement, self-employment groups, shelters for urban homeless and support to urban vendors. This will also remove the deficiencies in the present submission of monthly progress reports being submitted by the states.

These lacunae include considerable time lag, non-availability of beneficiary wise details, limited scope for further analysis on account of information only about a few parameters and data integrity, a release said.

MIS also enables stakeholders such as training providers, certification agencies, banks, resource organizations to feed required information directly which can be accessed by urban local bodies, states and ministry of HUPA for monitoring and other purposes.

Naidu, while welcoming introduction of MIS, urged the ministry officials to ensure that states step up efforts to ensure skill development and augmenting livelihood opportunities in urban areas under DAY.

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