Memorandum of Understanding with 7 states in DDUGKY

Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDUGKY) is the scheme for training and placing youth being implemented in Kerala through Kudumbashree. Hope you all recollect the 'Making an Impact' Articles-61 and 164 in which I had explained about Kudumbashree being selected as the Qualitative Appraisal Agency. As a QA agency, the mandate is to do the qualitative appraisal of the Project Implementing Agencies (PIA) applying for DDUGKY Programme in other states of the country. Within 6 months since getting selected as a Qualitative Appraisal Agency, we signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with 7 states for doing appraisal. This is indeed a matter of pride for Kudumbashree.

We had signed MoU with Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Karnataka,
Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Meghalaya and Nagaland. We have started activities of appraisal for these states. Arunachal Pradesh and Jharkhand had informed their willingness to sign MoU with Kudumbashree. The activities regarding the same are progressing now.

A separate team had been formed in Kudumbashree for Qualitative Appraisal. The Qualitative Appraisal team now consists of a team leader, two Appraisal Executives and two Communication and Documentation Specialists. State Programme Manager of DDUGKY is entrusted with the charge of this team. As three new states came forward to sign MoU, it is planned to expand the team. After signing MoU, appraisal of 396 agencies had been completed for Uttar Pradesh, 67 agencies for Rajasthan, 11 agencies for Nagaland and appraisal of 13 agencies had been completed for Andhra Pradesh. The Appraisal of 110 agencies in Kerala had also been completed.

We are trying to do our best to assist the states by maintaining highest standards in appraisal process. By helping the other states select the best of the agencies, we envisage to give a better foundation for the programme implementation in other states of the country.