

## Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana

## Why in News

More than 28.68 crore loans for an amount of **Rs. 14.96 lakh crore** have been sanctioned by banks, NBFCs and MFIs since the launch of **Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY).** 

## **Key Points**

- About Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY):
  - Launch and Aim:
    - It was launched by the government in 2015 for providing loans up to Rs. 10 lakh to the non-corporate, non-farm small/micro-enterprises.
  - Funding Provision:
    - MUDRA, which stands for Micro Units Development & Refinance Agency Ltd., is a financial institution set up by the Government.
    - It provides funding to the non-corporate small business sector through various last-mile financial institutions like Banks, Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) and Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs).
    - MUDRA does not lend directly to micro-entrepreneurs/individuals.
  - Three Products:
    - MUDRA has created three products i.e. 'Shishu', 'Kishore' and 'Tarun' as per the stage of growth and funding needs of the beneficiary micro unit.
      - **Shishu:** Covering loans up to Rs. 50,000.
      - **Kishore:** Covering loans above Rs. 50,000 and up to Rs. 5 lakh.
      - Tarun: Covering loans above Rs. 5 lakh and up to Rs. 10 lakh.
  - Loans under this scheme are collateral-free loans.
- Achievements:
  - Loans have been given to disadvantaged sections of society such as women entrepreneurs, SC/ST/OBC borrowers, Minority community borrowers, etc. The focus has also been on new entrepreneurs.
  - As per a survey conducted by Ministry of Labour and Employment, PMMY helped in generation of 1.12 crore net additional employment from 2015 to 2018.
    - Out of the **1.12 crore** of estimated increase in employment, **women accounted** for **69 lakh (62%)**.

**Source: PIB** 

