

## **Sikkim State Profile**

### **Introduction**

**Sikkim**, state of India, located in the northeastern part of the country, in the eastern Himalayas. It is one of the smallest states in India. Sikkim is bordered by the Tibet Autonomous Region of China to the north and northeast, by Bhutan to the southeast, by the Indian state of West Bengal to the south, and by Nepal to the west. The capital is Gangtok, in the southeastern part of the state.

Long a sovereign political entity, Sikkim became a protectorate of India in 1950 and an Indian state in 1975. Its small size notwithstanding, Sikkim is of great political and strategic importance for India because of its location along several international boundaries. Area 2,740 square miles (7,096 square km). Pop. (2011) 607,688.

In Sikkim, industry plays a vital role in the economy of the State. Sikkim has seen a great boom in the industries in the recent years. Sikkim has now emerged as an Industrial Hub. Sikkim had long been an agro-based society, but situations changed thoroughly in the recent years. With the acceleration in the socio-political aspect of the society of Sikkim, the growth of industry in Sikkim has been tremendous.

Some of the industries of Sikkim that deserve a special mention in this context are:

1. Pharmaceuticals.
2. Eco-tourism (Hotels).
3. Food Processing.
4. Breweries.
5. Cosmetics.
6. Security Ink.
7. Mattress.
8. Corrugated Boxes.

## 1. Programme Details

S. No.	Programme Name	Programme allotted	Programme conducted	Place of Programme	Result
1	ESDP	12	12	5Gangtok 3 Pakyong 2 Namchi 1 Gaylshing 1 Soreng	100%
2	EAP	19	19	7 Gnagtok 4 Namchi 4 Pakyong 2 Gaylshing 1 Mangan 1 Soreng	100%
3	MDP	1	1	Gangtok	100%
4	VDP	1	1	Namchi	100%
5	National Seminar on Export Promotion	1	1	Gangtok	100%
6	PM Vishwakarma Exhibition cum Trade Fare	1	1	MG Marg, Gangtok	100%
7	PM Vishwakarma awareness programme	3	3	1 Namchi 1 Pakyong 1 Mangan	100%
8	CDD( food processing)	4	4	2 Namchi 2Soreng	100%
9	Promotion of MSMEs for NER & Sikkim	1	1	Lingthang, Pakyong	100%
10	Lean programme	1	1	Dalapchand,Pakyong	100%
11.	Hindi Workshop		4		
12.	SAP		28	1. Organized	

				<p>cleanliness drive and installation of water purifier at Selep tank Govt. Primary School on, in presence of Hon'ble Chairman/ Area MLA, Shei T.T. Bhutia, deptt. of culture &amp; health.</p> <p>2. cleanliness drive and installation of water purifier and Sanitizer Machine at Lingding Junior high School</p> <p>3. Cleaning drive at MG, Marg, Gangtok</p> <p>4. Tourism Bhawan Tadong</p> <p>5. Central Park Namchi</p> <p>6. BDO Dzongu, Mangan</p> <p>7. Rangpo Nagar Panchyat Community Hall</p>	
13.	Weeding out of old files		115		

## 2.PM Vishwakarma Scheme

No. of Enrollments	Successful Registrations	Certificates PMV IDs issued	Loans Sanctioned	Loans Disbursed	Toolkit Delivered
6164	2824	2824	83	35	73

### 3. PMEGP Scheme

Sl.	District Name	Total loan applicants	No. of loan sanctioned	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount of MARGIN money i.e., 35%(Subsidy/back ended subsidy) received form MSME through the KVIC (Rs in laks)	Total employment	No. of craftsmens
1	Gantok	269	183	186	625.83	1079	-
2	Mangan	25	18	10	40.35	64	-
3	Pakyong	77	57	44	133.88	200	-
4	Namchi	195	146	45	182.02	348	-
5	Soreng	36	17	4	20.65	41	-
6	Gyalshsing	50	37	27	142.31	232	-
Total		652	458	316	1145.04	1964	-

### 4. Udyam Registration

**Date wise total Udyam registration for the period from 01/01/2000 to 29/04/2025.**

Sl No.	District Name	Micro	Small	Medium	Total Count
1	Gangtok	7335	109	10	7454
2	Gyalshing	1593	6	0	1599
3	Mangan	837	5	0	842
4	Namchi	3268	25	2	3295
5	Pakyong	1511	6	0	1517
6	Soreng	762	1	0	763
Total:-		15,306	152	012	15,470

**5.**Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in Sikkim face several **challenges** despite the region's unique opportunities. Here are some key issues:

- a) **Infrastructure Constraints:** Limited road connectivity, unreliable power supply, and inadequate digital infrastructure can hinder business operations and growth.
- b) **Limited Technological Adoption:** Many MSMEs struggle to integrate modern technologies, affecting productivity and competitiveness.
- c) **Environmental Challenges:** Sikkim's eco-sensitive status imposes restrictions on certain types of industries, affecting business diversification.

**6.**MSMEs in Sikkim have significant **potential** due to the region's unique geographical, cultural, and economic attributes. Here are some key opportunities:

- a) **Tourism and Hospitality:** Sikkim's natural beauty attracts tourists, creating demand for eco-friendly lodges, adventure sports, local handicrafts, and organic food products.
- b) **Organic Farming and Agri-Business:** As the first organic state in India, Sikkim offers vast opportunities in organic farming, food processing, and export of organic products.
- c) **Handicrafts and Handloom:** Rich in traditional crafts, MSMEs can thrive by promoting local handicrafts, textiles, and unique Sikkimese art forms.
- d) **Eco-Friendly Products:** Growing global demand for sustainable products provides opportunities in eco-friendly packaging, renewable energy solutions, and green technologies.
- e) **Tourism-Related Services:** Opportunities in eco-tourism, wellness tourism (yoga, meditation retreats), and adventure tourism services.
- f) **IT and Digital Services:** With increasing digital connectivity, there's potential for IT startups, digital marketing agencies, and e-commerce ventures.
- g) **Cultural and Food Tourism:** Promoting traditional cuisine and cultural experiences can boost MSME growth in food processing and event management sectors.

## 7. Projects in Sikkim

S.No	Details of Project	Status of Project
1.	Establishment and Strengthening of Resource Development Centre at Gangtok, Sikkim under NER Scheme.	Completed
2.	Creation of Technology Centre for Bamboo Products Industry at South Sikkim under NER Scheme.	Completed
3.	Creation of Technology Centre/Centre for Excellence for creative entrepreneurship, including graphics, animation, media and entertainment equipped production house, South Sikkim under NER Scheme.	Completed
4.	Establishment of Industrial Estate in the form of flatted factory complex at Deorali, Gangtok, Sikkim under NER Scheme.	Will be completed by first half of this year
5.	Development of facilities for Sheep & Angora Wool processing unit Namthang, Sikkim under NER Scheme.	Ongoing
6.	Okhrey Carpet making cluster, West Sikkim under MSE-CDP Scheme.	Ongoing
7	Shitake Mushroom and other food processing Cluster at Norbuchoeling, Namchi under SFURTI scheme.	Completed
8	Shitake Mushroom and other food processing Cluster at Sumbuk, Jorethang under SFURTI scheme.	Completed
9	Shitake Mushroom and other food processing Cluster at Soreng under SFURTI scheme.	Completed