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The Central Board for Workers Education under the Ministry of Labour & Employment is providing financial assistance for bringing awareness among the workers of organised and unorganised sector in the country. The Board through its Grants-in-Aid Scheme extends financial assistance to eligible Trade Union Organizations and Institutions to conduct workers Education Programmes. During the last three years the financial assistance given by the board various to trade Unions/Institutions is as under:

Years	Grants-in-Aid provided to Trade Unions/Institutions (in Rupees)
2008-09	15,33,784/-
2009-10	6,33,762/-
2010-11	9,66,471/-

Also, during the last three years the Board organized a number of programmes for workers. The detail of number of workers participated therein and expenditure incurred on conducting the programmes is as under:

Year	No.of Programmes	No.of workers participated	Expenditure Sector wise (in Rupees)	
			Organised	Unorganised/ Rural
2008-09	6,802	2,30,816	26,04,809/-	5,62,15,975/-
2009-10	8,303	2,88,716	19,19,825/-	5,48,98,869/-
2010-11	8,480	2,96,734	34,60,909/-	7,47,30,729/-

The fund allocated and sanctioned by the Government to the Board (under Plan Scheme), during last three years and current year, for conducting the programmes in organised, unorganised and rural sectors, is as follows:

Year	Fund Sanctioned (Rupees in crore)
2008-09	9.50
2009-10	9.00
2010-11	9.50
2011-12	23.20

Moreover, the Government has appointed M/s Educational Consultants India Ltd. (Ed. CIL), a Government of India Enterprises of the Ministry of Human Resources Development to assess the impact of the programmes being implemented by the Central Board for Workers Education in 2008. Ed. CIL in its report has appreciated the work of Central Board for Workers Education and recommended for its expansion at all levels.

The Central Board for Workers Education (CBWE) is an autonomous body under the Ministry of Labour & Employment, Government of India. It is registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860. Started in 1958, the Workers Education Scheme in India has been playing a very significant role in our national development; creating an enlightened and disciplined work force and bringing about desirable behavioral changes in our workforce in the organized, unorganized and rural sectors. It gets grants-in-aid from the Ministry of Labour & Employment to operate its activities. The Scheme of Workers Education aims at achieving the objectives of creating and increasing awareness and educating the workforce for their effective participation in the socio-economic development of the country. To achieve these objectives, various training programmes are conducted by the Board for the workers of formal and informal sectors at national, regional and unit levels through a network of [50 Regional](#) and 09 Sub-Regional Directorates spread all over the country and an apex Training Institute viz. [Indian Institute of Workers Education \(IIWE\)](#) at Mumbai.

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