

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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NEW PROJECTS FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT

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Will the MINISTER of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new projects advanced by Government in the area of skill development aiming at India's development in 21st century;
- (b) what is the present situation and number of job opportunities created under 'Make in India'; 'Startup India'; 'Digital India' ;
- (c) whether there is a project under the name 'Skill India'; and
- (d) if so, how far it had achieved in skill development ?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI ANANTKUMAR HEGDE)**

(a) The Government has taken a number of steps in the area of skill development in the country. The Government is implementing a number of schemes for imparting employable skills to the youth through short term and long term training. Recognizing the imperative needs of skill development on the basis of demand-supply skill gap, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is implementing a flagship scheme known as Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) on pan-India basis. PMKVY enables large number of prospective youth for taking Short Term Training (STT) and Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) through accredited and affiliated training centers. Under PMKVY, as on 10.07.2018, 50.20 lakh candidates have been trained and over 9.3 lakh candidates have been placed. Initiative has also been taken to set up model skill centres called Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) in districts. As on date, 462 PMKKs have been established throughout the country. Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) infrastructure has been strengthened to impart long term training. There are 14,273 ITIs in the country with seating capacity of 30.7 lakhs

Some of the steps taken to make skill training more relevant to the changing market needs inter alia, include, establishment of Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) as industry led bodies to develop National Occupational Standards (NOS), focus on apprenticeship training and notification of National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) as a competency based framework to be adopted by all skill development programmes.

(b) The Government has launched a number of programmes for encouraging growth of industry in the country. 'Make in India' initiative was launched by the Government with the objective of facilitating investment, fostering innovation, building best in class manufacturing infrastructure, making it easy to do business and enhancing skill development. The "Startup India" was launched to build a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation and startups in the country that will drive sustainable economic growth and generate large scale employment opportunities. 11,679 startups have been given recognition so far. The 'Digital India' programme was initiated with the vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy. The Digital India programme is centered on three key vision areas - digital infrastructure as a core utility to every citizen, governance and services on demand and digital empowerment of citizens.

(c) & (d) Skill India Mission was launched with the objective to converge all skill development initiatives / schemes across central Ministries / Departments to achieve skilling at scale with speed and standards. There are more than 40 schemes in around 20 different Ministries which provide a variety of skill development training programmes throughout the country. Under the National Skill Development Mission, a total of 104.16 lakh, 89 lakh and 87 lakh individuals were trained during 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively.
