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SKILLS BUILD PLATFORM

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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT & ENTERPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the objective of the Skills Build Platform;
- (b) whether it has been proposed to start an advanced diploma course through higher educational institutes in the country to create labour force under this platform, If so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the type of employment system on which focus is placed under this platform?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTERPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) Sir, The Skill Build Platform was launched by the Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship in collaboration with the International Business Machines (IBM) in 2019. The objective of this platform is to provide technical and professional skills related to Information Technology (IT) and emerging technologies, to the youth and to upskill / reskill them in these areas. It is available on the open source, open access platform of DGT, namely, Bharat Skills portal (<https://bharatskills.gov.in>) and is free of cost.

(b) An Advanced Diploma (Vocational) Course of 02 years duration in IT, Networking and Cloud Computing is currently running in 15 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) under Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE). This is an offline, long-term training programme, and is run with support from IBM under its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Scheme. Training is conducted through trainers from IBM, using the infrastructure available in the NSTIs. Joint certification from DGT and IBM is issued to successful students.

This programme was started in 2018 and till date 454 students have completed the course and 329 students are currently being trained under this programme.

(c) Under this platform, focus is on employment in software industry, specifically in Cloud Maintenance, Web Designing & Development, Business Data Analytics, Computer Hardware Maintenance and Networking.
