

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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**CERTIFICATIONS, EMPANELMENT AND RECOGNITION FOR TRAINING
AGENCIES**

1168. SMT. SUMITRA BALMIK:

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

- (a) the details of certification/recognition/empanelment mandatory for training and skill development agencies for applying for any scheme under Government, the details thereof;
- (b) the various short-term, mid-term and long-term skill development initiatives and schemes being run by the Ministry; and
- (c) whether Government plans to upgrade ITIs through PPP investment?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): Under the Government of India's Skill India Mission (SIM), the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres / institutes under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Sikhshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to all the sections of the society across the country. The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready, equipped with industry relevant skills.

National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) has been set up as an overarching regulator establishing regulations and standards to ensure quality in the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) space. NCVET recognises and regulates the Awarding Bodies (ABs) and Assessment Agencies (AAs) that are instrumental in developing a highly skilled workforce to meet industry demands.

Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) is envisioned as the digital public infrastructure for skilling, education, employment, and entrepreneurship in the country. SIDH offers recognized certifications, enabling learners to gain credentials that enhance their career progression. All Awarding Bodies recognized by NCVET are mandatorily registered on the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH), where all certifications are processed.

(c): Union Cabinet has approved the National Scheme for Upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and setting up of National Centres of Excellence (NCoEs) for skilling, at an estimated cost of Rs 60,000 Cr (Central Share: Rs 30,000 Cr, State Share: Rs 20,000 Cr, and Industry Share: Rs 10,000 Cr). The scheme aims to upgrade 1,000 Government ITIs under a hub-and-spoke arrangement with industry-aligned courses and to upgrade five (05) National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs).
