

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2194
ANSWERED ON 11.03.2026

THE HUB AND SPOKE MODEL UNDER THE PM-SETU

2194. SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA:

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

- (a) the progress of Hub and Spoke model under PM-SETU scheme, specifically the number of Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) established where industry partners hold 51 per cent management control;
- (b) the specific "New-Age" curriculum modules introduced for the Creator Economy Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming and Carrier (AVGC), Green Hydrogen and AI-Sovereignty across the 200 identified "Hub" ITIs;
- (c) how the Anchor Industry Partners (AIPs) are being incentivized to facilitate "Production-Linked Training" where students earn while they learn on actual industry shop-floors; and
- (d) the steps taken to integrate these upgraded ITIs with the "Create in India" Mission to support young freelancers and digital entrepreneurs?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) The selection of ITIs under Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability through Upgraded ITIs (PM SETU) scheme is led by the respective State/UT Governments in consultation with industry, ensuring alignment with emerging skill needs and local industrial potential. Accordingly, States/UTs are required to submit proposals for upgradation in collaboration with industry partners. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has constituted National Steering Committee (NSC) chaired by Secretary, MSDE, an apex body to provide the overall vision for the scheme, facilitate broad policy direction, finalize operational guidelines, monitor, and conduct course correction. 32 States/UTs have constituted their State Steering Committee (SSC) led by Chief Secretary of the State/UT, an apex body at the State/UT level for guiding and overseeing the implementation of scheme. 15 States/UTs have floated their proposal for inviting the interest of industry. For selection of the industry partner to form Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV), a Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) is required to be submitted in response to the Request for Proposal (RFP).

(b) Under the PM-SETU scheme industry-led Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) would lead the upgradation and be empowered to propose necessary interventions relating to curriculum redesign, training delivery models, infrastructure upgradation and industry exposure, in alignment with local industry needs and the Scheme guidelines. Directorate General of Training (DGT) has introduced 31 new age courses under CTS. List of these new age courses are given in **Annexure-I**.

(c) & (d) Under the PM-SETU scheme, industry participation is envisaged through industry-led Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs), wherein the Anchor Industry Partner holds majority management control and collaborates with the State Government in upgrading the selected ITIs. Through this institutional arrangement, industry partners are expected to introduce new-age courses aligned with industry requirements and facilitate industry-relevant training, including exposure to production environments and industry workplaces, thereby strengthening employability and skill alignment with emerging sectors. The upgraded ITIs are also intended to support pathways for employment, self-employment and entrepreneurship, including opportunities in emerging sectors of the digital and creative economy.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (B) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2194 ANSWERED ON 11.03.2026 ASKED BY SHRI KARTIKEYA SHARMA REGARDING “THE HUB AND SPOKE MODEL UNDER THE PM-SETU”.

List of New Age Trades running in ITIs

| S. No. | Trade Name |
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| 1 | Additive Manufacturing (3D Printing) Technician |
| 2 | Aeronautical Structure and Equipment Fitter |
| 3 | Artificial Intelligence Programming Assistant |
| 4 | Advance CNC Machining Technician |
| 5 | Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM) Programmer |
| 6 | Cyber Security Assistant |
| 7 | Data Annotation Assistant |
| 8 | Drone Pilot (Junior) |
| 9 | Drone Technician |
| 10 | Engineering Design Technician (Artisan Using Advanced Tool) |
| 11 | Fiber to Home Technician |
| 12 | Geo Informatics Assistant |
| 13 | Green Hydrogen Production Technician |
| 14 | Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) Technician |
| 15 | Industrial Robotics and Digital Manufacturing |
| 16 | Information Technology |
| 17 | Internet of Things Technician (Smart Agriculture) |
| 18 | Internet of Things Technician (Smart City) |
| 19 | Internet of Things Technician (Smart Healthcare) |
| 20 | Manufacturing Process Control & Automation |
| 21 | Mechanic Electric Vehicle |
| 22 | Multimedia, Animation & Special Effects |
| 23 | Semiconductor Technician |
| 24 | Small Hydro Power Plant Technician |
| 25 | Smartphone Technician Cum App Tester |
| 26 | Software Testing Assistant |
| 27 | Solar Technician (Electrical) |
| 28 | Technician Mechatronics |
| 29 | Virtual Analysis and Designer - FEM (Finite Element Method) (Basic Designer and Virtual Verifier) |
| 30 | Wind Plant Technician |
| 31 | 5G Network Technician |
