

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

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3864. SHRI SUMAN BALKA:

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

- (a) whether The World Economic Forum's Global Manufacturing Index put India on the 30th position and said that the country needs to upgrade education curricula, revamp vocational training programmes and improve digital skills and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether India does not have enough skilling institutions, and the existing ones have poor quality of programmes; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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(a) to (c) The World Economic Forum ranked 100 countries in its report on "Readiness for the Future of Production Report 2018". India was ranked 30th on structure of production which reflects the complexity and scale of a country's current production base.

The report suggests India needs to continue to raise the capabilities of its relatively young and fast-growing labour force. This entails upgrading education curricula, revamping vocational training programs and improving digital skills. The report also suggests that the government has made a significant push to improve key enablers and move towards a more connected economy.

The Government is implementing various schemes for imparting employable skills to the youth through short term and long term training. Presently, under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (2016-20), flagship scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, there are 4339 active training centres across India. Under National Skill Development Commission (NSDC) fee based model, 6886 centres are operational. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK) is an initiative of MSDE to create aspirational model training centres in every district of India, while ensuring coverage of all the Parliamentary Constituencies. So far, 526 PMKKs have been allocated in 484 districts, covering 406 Parliamentary Constituencies, out of which 386 PMKKs have been established. Work has been initiated to set up PMKKs in 109 additional districts. Long term skilling is being imparted through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). There are 13912 ITIs in the country with seating capacity of 29.6 lakh.
