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**SKILL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING TO INCREASE GDP**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that skill development is no longer a matter of choice but an imperative to adapt, survive and succeed to a pivotal role in employment and livelihood;
- (b) if so, India's focus on skill development and training is to increase GDP by 5 per cent in 2035 therefor;
- (c) present status of NSDC and NSDA in the country and their initiatives towards post pandemic employment scenario therefor ?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) & (b) Technology and Digital are creating changes and opportunities in workforce of today and in coming future- in India and the world. The workforce and Entrepreneurs of this new phase of opportunities need skills across every sector.

Therefore Skilling, re-skilling and upskilling of the workforce is critical to pursue new emerging opportunities and to adapt to changes in current industry and employment landscape. Skills are a pathway to new opportunities as well as job and income mobility.

The vision of National Policy on Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (NPSDE), launched in 2015, is to create an ecosystem of Skilling of high Standards and to promote a culture of innovation based entrepreneurship which can generate wealth and employment so as to ensure Sustainable livelihoods for all citizens in the country.

(c) National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) is a Public Private Partnership firm set up by the Ministry of Finance. NSDC works closely with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship in coordinating and stimulating initiatives in the area of skill development. The corporation implemented special Customised Crash Course Programme for COVID Warriors with the aim to train about one lakh COVID warriors.

National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) was established in December 2018 by subsuming the functions of erstwhile National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) and National Skill Development Agency (NSDA). It acts as an overarching regulatory body under Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship to regulate the functioning of entities engaged in vocational education and training, both long-term and short-term, and establish minimum standards for their functioning. In the post COVID pandemic scenario, NCVET has taken the following steps for qualitative improvement and regulation of vocational education and training:

- Approved 6 courses of COVID Frontline Workers during COVID Pandemic, to provide support and to cater to the deficiency of field health workers in the country and a course of Commercial Vehicle Driver.
- Formulated and rolled out guidelines for Blended learning and assessments enabling learning and assessments through blended modes, without the constraint of availability of physical infrastructure.
- Formulated and approved the guidelines for Cross sectoral and Multi sectoral skilling to enable the learners to undertake job roles which cut across multiple sectors and are suited to the post pandemic scenario.
- Facilitated development of 254 future qualifications to cater to emerging job roles in the post pandemic scenario.

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