

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

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †3016**

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**SKILL DEVELOPMENT TO INTERNATIONAL LEVEL**

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

- (a) the efforts made by the Government to enhance the quality of skill development across the country to international level;
- (b) whether any contract has been signed with foreign organizations to provide quality skill training to the youth of India; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND  
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a), (b), and (c) Sir, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) in order to enhance the quality of skill development across the country to international level, has undertaken various initiatives. Some of these include:

- MSDE has signed G2G MoUs with 11 nations that focus on to provide a framework of cooperation in areas like information exchange, skill harmonization, recognition of qualification etc.
- National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under the aegis of MSDE has signed 23 B2B MoUs with organizations/bodies in different countries to enable employer connect, on the job training, capacity building, etc.
- Bilateral Skills Benchmarking and harmonization has also been recognized as an important area of cooperation in the bilateral engagements of MSDE.
- MSDE has undertaken mapping of qualifications with Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, and Australia.
- A Framework Mechanism for Mutual Recognition of Education and Skill Qualifications has been signed with Australia on 2nd March 2023.

- In order to increase the exposure of skilling ecosystem in India to international skills standards, MSDE has been participating in the World Skills Competition since 2007. In the 2022 edition of the Competition, India has been ranked 11th with 02 Silver Medals 03 Bronze Medals and 13 Medals of Excellence.
- Also, MSDE in collaboration with other countries has been implementing different programmes that focus on Training of Trainers (ToT), improving pedagogy and training delivery mechanism in Indian skill training institutes, internship of Indian students etc. Such programmes include Bund-Lander Programme (BLP) and Indo-German Initiative for Technical Education (IGnITE) of Germany, and Technical Intern Training Programme (TITP) of Japan.

Further, the Union Budget for the FY 2023-24 has announced setting up 30 Skill India International Centers across the country to facilitate skilled mobility from India. In compliance to this, MSDE is working on the proposal of establishing 30 Skill India International Centers across different States to skill the youth as per international skill standards to leverage the growing overseas opportunities.

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