

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
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PROMOTING THE DIGITAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

1264 SHRI LALLU SINGH:

SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:

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

- (a) the details and objectives of the Skill India Digital initiative;
- (b) whether the initiative will promote the Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) adoption in the country, will it support the industry 4.0; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) Under the Govt 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/colleges/institutes etc. under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan 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 & industry ready skills.

Skill India Digital (SID) is a mobile-first digital platform designed to synergize India's skill development, education, employment, and entrepreneurship landscape. Its primary objective is to provide a comprehensive and accessible platform for skill enhancement, offering industry-relevant skill courses, job opportunities, and entrepreneurship support. SID is a digital expansion of skilling opportunities and integrated platform that have digital job exchange between stakeholder.

The platform is designed to encompass all training programs implemented by various Ministries / Departments of the Central Government and State Governments. By integrating government training programs, the platform endeavors to create a unified and centralized hub for skill development initiatives.

It is at the intersection of two of the most important components of the Government- Skill India & Digital India. Built on Mobile-First approach, SID caters diverse needs of a citizen for skill development such as discovery of courses, schemes, apprenticeships, and job opportunities based on preferences and aspirations, Learning Management System for digital skilling, Portable Verified Credentials and Multi-lingual to ensure inclusivity, etc.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. Skill India Digital aims to serve India's Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for the skill development, education, employment and entrepreneurship landscape of India. The platform aligns with the vision articulated in the G20 outcome document for building DPIs.

Skill India Digital supports Industry 4.0 by offering futuristic courses on Big Data, Machine Learning and Analytics, etc. provided by its digital learning partners. Focusing on digital technology and skills, SID ultimately paves the way for a more skilled and dynamic workforce needed for Industry 4.0.

Industry 4.0 courses such as Python with Advanced AI, Artificial Intelligence Foundation, Generative AI, Build Classical Machine Learning Models with Supervised Learning, Data Analytics Essentials, Analyze Data in a Relational Data Warehouse, Cybersecurity Essentials, Introduction to Data Science, Kisan Drone Operator, EV Service Technician, Biowaste Management, along with other certification courses, are being offered on the platform.