GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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SKILL ECOSYSTEM

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

- (a) Whether the Government has taken note of the fact that flaws such as overdependence on training providers with non-permanent infrastructure, narrow qualifications with inadequate on-the-job training, and overlooking mobility pathways and credits for vocational graduates have crept into the skill ecosystem; and
- (b) if so, the details of the corrective measures to be taken by the Government to re-energise the skill ecosystem?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) and (b) 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.

ITIs are equipped with permanent infrastructure. Training under the scheme of JSS is provided by Non-Government Organisations (NGO), in their infrastructure located close to doorsteps of the target group. Apprenticeship training is given in industrial establishments.

Under PMKVY, the training providers are selected through a series of stringent procedure. Regular monitoring, inspections, and evaluations are also conducted to ensure that institutions are maintaining the prescribed standards for skill development. Based on the learning from earlier phases of PMKVY scheme, there is a renewed focus on implementing the skill development initiative through permanent infrastructure of Skill Hubs, Govt. Institutions and industry premises. Skill Hubs are being set up in permanent infrastructure of educational institutions such as

Government and Private Schools, Colleges, Universities (including Skill Universities) and other Higher Education Institutions.

The details of the skilling network across the country as follows:-

Name of Scheme	Name of the Training Center	Total No.
PMKVY	Training centres including PMKK's	2640
JSS	JSS centers	288
NAPS	Establishments	49927 (*42453)
CTS	ITI	15016

^{*}out of 49927, 42453 unique establishments engaged apprentices

As regards qualifications, as a part of revision and rationalization of existing qualifications, technology elements and optional electives have been included to make qualifications relevant to emerging requirements of changes in technology under Industry 4.0. Further, to ensure that qualifications are holistic in nature and cater to the requirements of industry, employability modules have been developed and made mandatory for inclusion in qualifications. Guidelines for multi-skilling and cross sectoral skilling have also been designed and implemented by National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET). These measures are aimed at making the qualifications broad with uniform standard components.

To realize the intent and objections of New Education Policy (NEP), 2020, the Government of India has notified the National Credit Framework (NCrF) which enables assignments of credits for all kinds of learning including through vocational training, accumulation, storage, transfer and redemption of credit, with multiple entry and multiple exit (ME-ME), thus facilitating mobility pathways and lifelong learning.
