

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3276
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.12.2019
SKILLS BUILD PLATFORM

3276. SHRI MANNE SRINIVAS REDDY:
SHRI MARGANI BHARAT:
SHRI SRIDHAR KOTAGIRI:

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

- (a) whether the Government has launched a Skills Build platform in Collaboration with IBM recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the programme will be extended to train ITI & NSTI faculty on building skills in Artificial Intelligence (AI);
- (d) the extent to which this programme will help our youth to assess and scale themselves as per the changing market trends;
- (e) whether IBM will absorb some of the skilled youth under this programme; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI R.K. SINGH)

(a) to (c) Skills Build is a digital platform developed by IBM enabling holistic learning and aligning it with Skills India initiative by Government of India. India is the 4th country where this SkillsBuild platform has been launched on 4th Nov'19, in alliance with the Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE), after being launched in UK, Germany and France.

It will be accessible online through bharat skills (<https://bharatskills.gov.in>) – a Learning Management System for ITI/NSTI Students and Teachers) and free to use.

Skill Build will focus on personalised coaching and experiential learning and will help develop the skills required to join the workforce in these “New Collar” roles. Also bring untapped talent to the fore, opening roles to individuals often excluded from the labour market due to disadvantaged backgrounds, or because of lack of knowledge, skill or experience that has seen them become under-employed or unemployed.

As part of the programme, a two-year advanced diploma in Information Technology (IT), Networking and Cloud computing will be offered at the Industrial Training Institutes (ITI) and the National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs).

The platform will also be extended to train ITI and NSTI faculty in basic Artificial Intelligence (AI) Skills.

(d) This Skill Build platform will also provide personal assessment for cognitive capabilities and personality via MyInnerGenius to youths /Students. They will learn basics about digital technologies as well as professional skills like resume writing, problem solving and communication. Youths/Students will also be received recommendations on role-based education for specific jobs that include technical and professional learning. Also it will be collaborated with other Indian and global partners.

(e) & (f) Yes Sir. IBM has agreed for the placement support for some of the students/youths those who are completing the two-year advanced diploma in IT, Networking and Cloud computing course in IBM/ through its channel partners based on merits.
