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SKILL TRAINING IN AVIATION SECTOR

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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
be pleased to state:-

(a) whether the Airport Authority of India (AAI) has entered into a strategic partnership with the National Skill Development Fund (NSDF) and the National Skill Development Commission (NSDC) for skill development in the aviation sector and if so, the details and the outcome thereof;
(b) the financial support extended during each of the last three years and the current year for the said purpose;
(c) whether the Government has also set up Aviation Multi Skill Development Centre (MSDC) supported by Aerospace and Aviation Sector Skill Council (AASSC) of India and if so, the number of MSDC set up so far, Statewise;
(d) the number of training centers that have been accredited till date by AASSC and the guidelines for accreditation;
(e) whether there is a proposal to set up many more such Centres for aviation skill development across the country and if so, the details thereof;
(f) the number of youth and women proposed to be trained in these Centres over the next three years; and
(g) the other initiatives taken by the Government for skill development in civil aviation sector?

ANSWER

Minister of CIVIL AVIATION
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(a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Airports Authority of India (AAI) have signed two tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with National Skill
Development Corporation (NSDC) and National Skill Development Fund (NSDF) for setting up of Multi Skill Development Centre at Chandigarh and Mumbai. The details and outcomes of the MoU are as follows:

i. The number of candidates trained in span of three years in Chandigarh are 1,681 and Mumbai are 720.

ii. Job roles identified for the aviation centre in Chandigarh and Mumbai includes airline customer service executive, airline reservation agent, airline cargo assistant, airline ramp executive, airline flight load controller, airline security executive, airport x-ray qualified staff, airport facility services and airline baggage handler.

iii. The training programme aims at skilling as well as up-skilling in the Aviation sector.

Financial support extended during the last three years and current year is as follows:

i. FY 2018-19 - Rs 2 Crore and Rs 60 lakhs respectively provided to Chandigarh and Mumbai Skill Development Centre for training related to Aviation Sector.

ii. FY 2019-20 - NIL

iii. FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22 - NIL, Due to the outbreak of Covid-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown across nation, the training institutes were not functional, thereby impacting the training schedule.

Both the Skill Development Centres at Chandigarh and Mumbai are supported by Aerospace and Aviation Sector Skill Council (AASSC).

(d) There are 47 Training Partners (TPs) and 89 Training Centers (TCs) fully accredited by AASSC. AASSC follows the accreditation guidelines formulated by NSDC.

(e) and (f) Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) has not received any proposal from any concerned organisation/state for setting up more skill development centres.

(g) Other initiatives taken by the Government are as follows:

i. The Indian Aviation Academy (IAA) is a joint venture of the Airports Authority of India (AAI) Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) and Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS). IAA imparts training to employees of aviation stakeholders to augment their knowledge and skills. Some of the technical training programmes conducted by Indian Aviation Academy are: Aviation Safety Management System, Aviation Security, Dangerous Goods Regulation (DGR), induction and discipline-specific training for operation, engineering, HR, Finance employees and International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standard training packages (STP) etc.

ii. The Indira Gandhi Rashtriya Uran Akademi (IGRUA), Amethi, UP is India's largest Flying Training Organisation (FTO) established in 1986. It has now started providing training in drone operations since 2021. In addition,
there are 33 other FTOs across the country. Nine more FTOs are likely to be established by the private sector at AAI airports during 2022-23.

iii. Rajiv Gandhi National Aviation University (RGNAU), Amethi, UP started its first batch in August 2019. RGNAU is offering the following courses in collaboration with aviation stakeholders:
(i) Post Graduate Diploma in Airport Operations (PGDAO)
(ii) Bachelor of Management Studies (BMS) - Aviation & Cargo
(iii) Basic Fire-Fighter Course (BFFC)