

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *83
ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025

OBJECTIVES OF SKILL INDIA DIGITAL INITIATIVE

†*83. DR. PRASHANT YADAORAO PADOLE:

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

- (a) the details and objectives of the Skill India Digital (SID) initiative;
- (b) whether the said initiative is likely to promote the adoption of digital public infrastructure in the country and the manner in which it is likely to support the industry; and
- (c) the details of benefits likely to accrue to the citizens by using Skill India Digital?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

- (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. †*83 ASKED BY DR. PRASHANT YADAORAO PADOLE, HON'BLE MP, LOK SABHA TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.02.2025, REGARDING 'OBJECTIVES OF SKILL INDIA DIGITAL INITIATIVE'.

(a) The Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) is a comprehensive digital platform designed to synergize and transform the skills, education, employment, and entrepreneurship landscape in India. It represents the aspirations of millions of Indians seeking better opportunities by providing access to industry-relevant skill courses, job opportunities, and entrepreneurship support. As the Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for Skilling, Education, Employment, and Entrepreneurship, SIDH serves as a comprehensive information gateway for all government initiatives in these domains, making it a go-to hub for citizens pursuing career advancement and lifelong learning. The primary objectives of SIDH include facilitating digital access to skill development by enhancing individual competencies in digital technologies, integrating the skilling ecosystem, enhancing employability and entrepreneurship, promoting lifelong learning, serving as an information gateway, and leveraging data-driven decision-making.

(b) SIDH is designed to promote the adoption of DPI in the country. SIDH is one of the most important DPI for India's skill development, education, employment and entrepreneurship landscape as it provides a foundational digital ecosystem that supports and integrates various public and private stakeholders. It serves as a scalable and interoperable infrastructure that facilitates access, delivery, and management of resources by bridging skill gaps.

The platform aligns with the vision articulated in the G20 outcome document for building DPIs. SIDH plays a crucial role in preparing the Indian workforce for Industry 4.0 by offering futuristic courses on Big Data, Machine Learning and Analytics, etc. provided by its digital learning partners. Industry 4.0 course such as Python with Advanced Artificial Intelligence (AI), Artificial Intelligence Foundation, Generative AI, Build Classical Machine Learning Models with Supervised Learning, Data Analytics Essentials, Analytics Data in a Relational Data Warehouse, Cyber security Essentials, Introduction to Data Science, Kisan Drone Operator, EV Service Technician, Bio-waste Management, along with other certification courses, are being offered on the platform.

(c) SIDH offers numerous benefits to citizens, including access to high-quality, industry-aligned training programs, career advancement opportunities through continuous learning and up-skilling and resources available anytime and anywhere through the digital platform. SIDH provides recognized skill certifications and job placement support to enhance credibility and employability, connects job seekers with employers and job opportunities, and promotes continuous learning and upskilling. It aims to bridge the skill gap across different regions and communities, ensuring inclusive growth and equitable access to opportunities. Furthermore, SIDH supports aspiring entrepreneurs by providing resources, training, and support to help them start and grow their businesses successfully, thereby contributing to overall economic and social development.
