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MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

LOK SABHA
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INFRASTRUCTURE OF ITIs IN TAMIL NADU

1624: SHRI SELVAM G:
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Will the Minister of Skill Development And Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to upgrade the existing infrastructure of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the details of funds allocated for the modernization and renovation of ITIs in current financial year in the said State;
- (c) the total amount of financial assistance provided by the Government for the improvement and creation of training infrastructure in ITIs during the last three years;
- (d) whether the Government is encouraging collaboration between ITIs and industries to improve training infrastructure and make it more aligned with industry requirements and if so, the details thereof;
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to enhance the training and professional development of instructors at ITIs to keep them updated with the latest industry trends and technologies; and
- (f) whether the Government is taking any steps to address regional disparities in the quality and availability of infrastructure in ITIs, particularly in under-served States and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (c) Sir, The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implements the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through a country wide network of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) for the youth of the country.

ITIs have since long, been providing a steady flow of skilled manpower in different trades for the domestic industry. In ITIs, Craftsmen training is provided in 168 National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) aligned trades. Each trade has a dedicated course curriculum. The duration of training ranges from six months to two years. The courses have been designed to impart basic skills and knowledge in the trades so as to prepare trainee for employment as a semiskilled worker. At present, there are 14,612 ITIs established in the country, out of which, 3,316 are Government and 11,296 are Private ITIs.

Though ITIs come under the financial and administrative control of respective State/UT government, the Government of India, runs, from time to time, schemes to provide financial support to the State/UT government for strengthening the infrastructure of ITIs.

DGT had recently implemented the schemes 'Skills Strengthening for Industrial Value Enhancement (STRIVE)' and 'Upgradation of Existing Government ITIs into Model ITIs (Model ITI)' to provide financial assistance to State/UT governments for upgrading existing ITIs across the country, including in Tamil Nadu.

Under the 'STRIVE' scheme, a total of 500 ITIs (including 467 government and 33 private ITIs) were selected in the country for the upgradation of workshops, labs, and capacity building of ITIs. The scheme ended on 31st May 2024, and a total amount of Rs. 37.82 crore was sanctioned (since inception) for the State of Tamil Nadu to upgrade the training infrastructure of 32 ITIs (29 Government and 3 Private). List of ITIs selected under STRIVE scheme from Tamil Nadu State is attached as **Annexure-1**.

Another scheme, the 'Model ITI' scheme envisaged the upgradation of 35 selected government ITIs into Model ITIs, by providing financial assistance to State/UT governments, including Tamil Nadu, for equipment upgradation and civil works. The scheme ended on 31st March 2024, and a total financial assistance of Rs. 3.99 crore (as the Central share) was released to the State of Tamil Nadu for the upgradation of Government ITI Coimbatore.

During the last three financial years, i.e., from FY 2021-22 to FY 2023-24, an amount of Rs. 20.62 crore has been sanctioned under the STRIVE scheme, and an amount of Rs. 0.49 crore had been released under the Model ITI scheme to Tamil Nadu State.

(d) Establishment and day to day administration of ITIs comes under the jurisdiction of the State Government, while the policies such as setting the criterion for affiliation, conducting the examination along with certification and designing curriculum are the responsibilities of the Central Government.

Several state governments including Tamil Nadu state have collaborated with industries to transform the Government ITIs into technology hubs/centres with modern infrastructure and training facilities to meet the industry 4.0 standards. These collaborations aim to equip Government ITIs with cutting-edge technology and industry-aligned curriculum to bridge the skill gap and prepare students for the demands of the evolving industrial landscape.

Additionally, a new scheme has been announced in the Union Budget 2024 under the Prime Minister's package for skilling, for the upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). The scheme aims to upgrade 1,000 ITIs across the country through hub-and-spoke arrangements, focusing on outcome orientation in collaboration with the State Governments as well as Industry. Further, the existing course content and design will be aligned with the skill needs of the industry, and new courses will be introduced to address emerging demands.

(e) DGT implements the Craft Instructor Training Scheme (CITS) with an objective to provide comprehensive training in both hands-on skills and training methodology to the instructor trainees to make them conversant with techniques for training skilled manpower for the industry. CITS is offered through 33 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) (14 General & 19 Women) & 120 Institutes for Training of Trainers (IToTs) (109 State Govts & 11 Private) across the country including Tamil Nadu State.

Over the past three years (2021-22 to 2023-24), a total of 27,339 trainees have been trained under CITS in NSTIs and IToTs across the country. Among them, 1444 trainees received training at the two NSTIs located in Tamil Nadu State, in Chennai and Trichy.

In addition to CITS, MSDE has also implemented various Training of Trainers (ToT) programs for ITI instructors under the STRIVE project, the details of which are as under:

- i. Around 27,500 state officials, Principals, and ITI trainers from various states were trained in NSQF implementation, management, pedagogy, entrepreneurship, employability, and advanced trade-related skills.
- ii. A total of 463 trainers from NSTIs and ITIs received training in Drone Technology.
- iii. A total of 2,548 trainers were successfully upskilled in Employability Skills.
- iv. The National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), a premier organization under MSDE for promoting entrepreneurship, conducted training programs on Employability, Entrepreneurship, and Life Skills for 1,000 faculty members, trainers, and instructors from ITIs and NSTIs.

(f) Yes, Sir. DGT had implemented 'Enhancing Skill Development Infrastructure in NE States (ESDI)' Scheme, to offer support to ITIs in the North Eastern states.

ESDI scheme envisaged the upgradation of 22 existing ITIs (@ Rs. 2 crore per ITI) by establishing 3 new trades in each ITI; supplementing deficient infrastructure in 28 ITIs (@ Rs. 2 crore per ITI) by constructing new hostels, new boundary walls, and supplementing old and obsolete tools and equipment for 3 existing trades in each ITI; and establishing 34 new ITIs (@ Rs. 9.5 crore per ITI). The scheme ended on 31st March 2024, and a total financial assistance of Rs. 308.84 crore was provided to North-Eastern states under this scheme.

Apart from this, DGT has also provided relaxation in affiliation norms for the opening of new ITIs in underserved blocks across the country, with the aim of encouraging the establishment of more ITIs in these unserved areas.

Annexure referred to in reply to part (a to c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1624 to be answered on 10.03.2025

List of ITIs selected under STRIVE scheme from Tamil Nadu State

Sl. No.	Name of the ITI	Govt. / Private	District
1.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Virudhunagar	Govt.	Virudhunagar
2.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Trichy	Govt.	Tiruchirappalli
3.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Ambattur	Govt.	Thiruvallur
4.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Dindigul	Govt.	Dindigul
5.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Chengalpattu	Govt.	Kancheepuram
6.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Thoothukudi	Govt.	Thoothukkudi
7.	Government Industrial Training Institute(W), Namakkal	Govt.	Namakkal
8.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Perambalur	Govt.	Perambalur
9.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Cuddalore	Govt.	Cuddalore
10.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Salem	Govt.	Salem
11.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Coimbatore	Govt.	Coimbatore
12.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Madurai	Govt.	Madurai
13.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Sivagangai	Govt.	Sivaganga
14.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Tiruvannamalai	Govt.	Tiruvannamalai
15.	Government Industrial Training Institute For Women, Cuddalore	Govt.	Cuddalore
16.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Hosur	Govt.	Krishnagiri
17.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Kallakurichi	Govt.	Kallakurichi

	Institute, Ulundurpettai				
18.	Government Industrial Training Institute Women, Coimbatore	Govt.		Coimbatore	
19.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Metturdam	Govt.		Salem	
20.	Government Industrial Training Institute(W), Aundi	Govt.		Theni	
21.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Nagapattinam	Govt.		Nagapattinam	
22.	Government Industrial Training Institute (Women), Madurai	Govt.		Madurai	
23.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Pudukkottai	Govt.		Pudukkottai	
24.	Government Industrial Training Institute (Women), Dindigul	Govt.		Dindigul	
25.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Guindy	Govt.		Chennai	
26.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Chidambaram	Govt.		Cuddalore	
27.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Ariyalur	Govt.		Ariyalur	
28.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Thanjavur	Govt.		Thanjavur	
29.	Government Industrial Training Institute, Coonoor	Govt.		The Nilgiris	
30.	Don Bosco Private Industrial Training Institute	Private		Tiruchirappalli	
31.	Ramco Private Industrial Training Institute	Private		Virudhunagar	
32.	P A C Ramasamy Raja Private Industrial Training Institute	Private		Ariyalur	
