

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION: *240
ANSWERED ON 09.03.2026

NSTI OFFERING TRAINING ON AI TRADE

*240. SHRI DAGGUMALLA PRASADA RAO:

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

- (a) the details of the number of National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) established across the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to establish such Institute to provide advanced technical and vocational training including Artificial intelligence (AI) trade in Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) if so, the details of the proposal, including location, capacity, estimated cost and timeline for its implementation;
- (d) the details of new courses and trades proposed to be offered at the existing NSTIs and new NSTIs including the parameters used to decide industry needs;
- (e) whether the Government has allocated funds or sought industry partnerships for establishing such an NSTI in Andhra Pradesh, if so, the details thereof and
- (f) the details of the steps taken by the Government to strengthen skill development infrastructure and trainer capacity in NSTIs in line with national standards?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) to (f): A statement is laid on the table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (A) TO (F) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *240 ANSWERED ON 09.03.2026 ASKED BY SHRI DAGGUMALLA PRASADA RAO REGARDING 'NSTI OFFERING TRAINING ON AI TRADE'

(a) The Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), runs the Craft Instructor Training Scheme (CITS) through a network of 33 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) (19 Women & 14 General) and 5 Extension Centres across the country 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.

State/UT-wise details of the NSTIs across the country is given at **Annexure-I**.

(b) to (e) In-principle approval of Department of Expenditure (DoE) for the establishment of new NSTI in Andhra Pradesh has been obtained vide OM dated 28.10.2025 placed at **Annexure-II**.

The estimated cost for the new NSTI is ₹100 crore, and the tentative timeline for implementation is three years, subject to availability of land and completion of statutory approvals.

The existing NSTI Extension Centre at Visakhapatnam has a training capacity of 50 trainees. The new NSTI is expected to augment this capacity by introducing additional long-term and short-term courses, along with advanced skilling and upskilling programmes.

The new courses and trades to be offered at the new & existing NSTIs are finalized in consultation with State Government/UTs, Industry Stakeholders, Sector Skill Councils.

(f) With a view to strengthen skill development infrastructure and enhance the capacity of National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs), under Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs (PM-SETU) as a Centrally Sponsored Scheme.

The approved financial outlay of the Scheme is ₹60,000 crore, comprising a Central share of ₹30,000 crore, State share of ₹20,000 crore and Industry share of ₹10,000 crore. Under the Scheme, the Component-II pertains to capacity augmentation of five National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) located at Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Hyderabad, Ludhiana and Kanpur and establishment of National Centres of Excellence for Skilling at these NSTIs with Industry Collaboration and Global Partnership with an approved outlay of ₹1,500 crore.

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State/UT-wise Detail of National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs)

Sl. No.	State/UT	Name of NSTIs/Extension Center
1.	Andhra Pradesh	National Skill Training Institute Extension Center, Vizag
2.	Bihar	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Patna
3.	Goa	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Goa
4.	Gujarat	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Vadodara
5.	Haryana	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Panipat
6.	Himachal Pradesh	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Shimla
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Jammu
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	National Skill Training Institute Extension Center, Srinagar
9.	Jharkhand	National Skill Training Institute, Jamshedpur
10.	Jharkhand	National Skill Training Institute Extension Center, Ranchi
11.	Karnataka	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Bangalore
12.	Karnataka	National Skill Training Institute, Bengaluru
13.	Kerala	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Trivandrum
14.	Kerala	National Skill Training Institute, Calicut
15.	Ladakh	National Skill Training Institute Extension Centre, Leh
16.	Madhya Pradesh	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Indore
17.	Maharashtra	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Mumbai
18.	Maharashtra	National Skill Training Institute, Mumbai
19.	Manipur	National Skill Training Institute Extension Centre, Manipur
20.	Meghalaya	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Tura
21.	Odisha	National Skill Training Institute, Bhubaneswar
22.	Punjab	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Mohali
23.	Punjab	National Skill Training Institute, Ludhiana
24.	Rajasthan	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Jaipur
25.	Rajasthan	National Skill Training Institute, Jodhpur
26.	Tamil Nadu	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Trichy
27.	Tamil Nadu	National Skill Training Institute, Chennai
28.	Telangana	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Hyderabad
29.	Telangana	National Skill Training Institute, Hyderabad (Ramanthapur)
30.	Telangana	National Skill Training Institute, Hyderabad

Sl. No.	State/UT	Name of NSTIs/Extension Center
		(Vidyanagar)
31.	Tripura	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Agartala
32.	Uttar Pradesh	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Allahabad
33.	Uttar Pradesh	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Noida
34.	Uttar Pradesh	National Skill Training Institute, Kanpur
35.	Uttarakhand	National Skill Training Institute, Dehradun
36.	Uttarakhand	National Skill Training Institute, Haldwani
37.	West Bengal	National Skill Training Institute for Women, Kolkata
38.	West Bengal	National Skill Training Institute, Howrah

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (B) TO (E) OF LOK SABHA
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364304/2025/O/o DIR(CFIs)

No.74(02)/PFC-II/2024
Government of India/भारत सरकार
Ministry of Finance/वित्त मंत्रालय
Department of Expenditure/व्यय विभाग
Public Finance Central-I/ लोक वित्त केंद्र-I

Kartavya Bhawan-1, New Delhi
Dated: 28.10.2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Seeking in-principal approval of Department of Expenditure on the
Concept Note for setting up New National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) in
Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh- reg.**

The undersigned is directed to refer to MSDE O.M. No. DGT-NSTI/1/2025-O/o
DIR(CFIs) (70753) dated 26.05.2025 seeking in-principal approval from DoE on the
Concept Note for setting up new National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) in the states of
Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.

2. The proposal has been examined and *in-principle* approval of the DoE for setting up
of two NSTIs in Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh is conveyed subject to the condition
that MSDE would send a separate proposal to E.Coord.I Division of DoE on file for
creation of posts (below JS level) for the new National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) in
Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh for examination/consideration in terms of this
Department's instructions/guidelines dated 05.01.2024. Such proposal may be sent only
after the main proposal is approved by the appraisal body.

3. Further, the MSDE is also advised to frame a policy regarding setting up/ expansion
of NSTIs, adhering to demand, skill-gap, emerging skills, population/ population density,
etc. Such policy shall also cater to the needs of aspirational districts, north-eastern
states, underserved areas and shall also address the gender gap concerns.

4. This issues with the approval of the Secretary (Expenditure).

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Niraj Pratap Singh
Dy. Director (PFC-I)
28/10/2025

to
MSDE

To,
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DIR (HDG)
Dy. No./FTS No. 242
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