

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
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JOBS FOR SKILL TRAINED YOUTH

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

- (a) the details of number of youth trained across the country under the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) and other skill training programmes and whether it is a fact that the actual number of those securing employment is relatively very low;
- (b) if so, the concrete steps being taken by the Government to bridge this gap so that appropriate employment opportunity in industries may be available to the skill-trained youth;
- (c) whether the Government has established any mechanism to ensure that every trained candidate receives employment or self-employment assistance at the local or regional level; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

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(a) & (b): Under Skill India Mission (SIM), the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to all the sections of the society across the country. SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready and equipped with industry relevant skills.

Details of the candidates trained under various schemes of MSDE are as under:

PMKVY (since inception to 31.12.2025)	JSS (Since 2018-19 to 31.12.2025)	NAPS (Since 2018-19 to 31.12.2025)	CTS / ITI (2018-19 to 31.12.2025)
1,64,34,210	34,14,181	47,19,923	1,07,42,151

Amongst the schemes of MSDE, placements were tracked only under the Short-Term Training (STT) component of PMKVY in the first three versions (PMKVY 1.0, PMKVY 2.0 and PMKVY 3.0) implemented from 2015-16 to 2021-22. The reported placement rate in STT certified candidates till PMKVY 3.0 was 43%. Under PMKVY 4.0, the focus is on empowering our trained candidates to choose their varied career path and they are suitably oriented for the same through industry-relevant skill courses. As per the third-party impact evaluation study of the PMKVY 4.0 conducted by Arun Jaitley National Institute of Financial Management (AJNIFM), an autonomous Institution of Ministry of Finance, Government of India, the combined share of employed and self-employed Short Term Training (STT) respondents increased from 26.6% prior to training to 45.4% after PMKVY training, reflecting an 18.8 percentage point increase. Income-related outcomes also show positive movement, with 41.4% of STT candidates and 48.9% of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) candidates reporting an increase in income following training and certification.

To ensure the skills imparted through various scheme of MSDE are aligned with the industry requirements and technological advancements and thereby improving the employability of the skill-trained candidates, the following specific steps have been taken:

- National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) has been set up as an overarching regulator establishing regulations and standards to ensure quality in the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) space. NCVET recognises the industry bodies as the Awarding Bodies (ABs) and/or Assessment Agencies (AAs).
- The Awarding Bodies are expected to develop the qualifications as per the industry demand and map them with the identified occupations as per the National Classification of Occupations, 2015 and obtain industry validations. NCVET has approved 9026 qualifications as per the industry requirements, out of which 2599 qualifications are valid and active, and 6427 qualifications are archived.
- NCVET has developed the National Programme on Artificial Intelligence (NPAI) Skilling Framework, which outlines the national roadmap, structure and guidelines for skilling in AI, data science and emerging technologies serves as the foundational document for developing standardized, industry-aligned courses and curricula.
- Directorate General of Training (DGT) is implementing Flexi MoU Scheme and Dual System of Training (DST) in collaboration with industries to provide training to ITI students in real industrial environment.
- DGT has signed MoU with IT Tech companies like IBM, CISCO, Microsoft, AWS, Autodesk etc. to ensure industry linkages for the institutes at the state and regional levels. These partnerships facilitate the provision of technical and professional skills training in modern technologies.
- Under PMKVY, the new age/future skills job-roles have been specially aligned with Industry 4.0 requirements in areas like AI/ML, Robotics, Mechatronics, Drone Technology, etc. for upcoming market demand and industry requirements.
- DGT has introduced new age /future skills courses under CTS to provide training in emerging areas such as 5G Network Technician, AI Programming assistant, Cyber Security Assistant, Drone Technician etc.
- Two (02) Indian Institute of Skills (IIS) have been established at Ahmedabad and Mumbai, in Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode, with an aim to align industry-ready workforce to emerging economic opportunities.

(c) & (d): While the skill development programmes of the Government are designed and implemented to bridge identified skill gaps across sectors and geographies, MSDE has also launched Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) platform, a comprehensive and accessible platform for skill enhancement, offering industry-relevant skill courses, job opportunities, and entrepreneurship support to youth of the country. Through SIDH, candidates can have access to jobs and apprenticeship opportunities in their preferred geographies. Further, Kaushal Melas and Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Melas (PMNAMs) have been organized to facilitate the placements and apprenticeship opportunities to the certified candidates across the country. Under JSS, Livelihood Cell has been set up to orient the candidates for entrepreneurship and livelihood promotion.
