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## NSDC launched as a UNEVOC centre

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**F**ollowing National Skill Development Corporation's (NSDC) acceptance as a member to the UNEVOC Network in mid-2018, the NSDC-UNEVOC Centre was recently launched in New Delhi. Shyamal Majumdar, head - UNESCO UNEVOC, awarded Dr. Manish Kumar, MD & CEO, NSDC, with the UNEVOC plaque, officially recognising NSDC as a UNEVOC Centre in the presence of Juthika Pathankar, additional secretary, ministry of skill development and entrepreneurship, international technical and vocational education and training practitioners and other distinguished guests.

The UNEVOC Network is UNESCO's global network for institutions specialised in technical and vocational education and training (TVET), which are concerned with skills development for the world of work and life. Coordinated by UNESCO-UNEVOC, the network provides an environment for exchange, cooperation and mutual assistance for its members, the UNEVOC Centres.

Members of the UNEVOC Network, called UNEVOC Centres, all have a position within their country which allows them to cooperate with other TVET stakeholders, both nationally and internationally and engage in variety of activities, such as to improve TVET in member states by promoting and fostering international collaboration and partnerships, to develop the capacities of UNEVOC Centres and associated TVET practitioners and to share promising



**Participants of UNEVOC Workshop, recently organised jointly by NSDC and UNESCO-UNEVOC in New Delhi. (Inlet) Dr. Manish Kumar, MD & CEO, NSDC receiving plaque from Shyamal Majumdar, UNESCO-UNEVOC.**



practices and innovations in TVET.

Commenting upon NSDC's association with UNESCO-UNEVOC, Dr. Manish Kumar said, "Acceptance to the UNEVOC network indicates an important acknowledgement of NSDC's strength and track record in the skilling ecosystem. Through the UNEVOC platform, we will not only gain from each other's experiences through sharing of best practices and case studies but also access the best analytical tools which can support in building a robust and resilient data-driven approach to planning for TVET across different contexts."

As a key activity under the NSDC and UNESCO-UNEVOC

collaboration, a five-day international workshop on 'Greening of Job Roles and Curricula' was recently organised jointly by NSDC and UNESCO-UNEVOC in New Delhi. The workshop sought to address policy and training needs for integrating sustainability and green concepts into occupational standards and fostering an understanding on effectively moving from occupational standards to curriculum planning and design. The workshop also aimed at identifying and addressing gaps in institutional strategies in the context of greening TVET.

The workshop brought together TVET professionals involved in policy planning, standard setting, training and assessments from 15 different countries. The workshop involved panel discussions, lectures from experts, group work and site visits.

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