Highlighting the significance of skill development, Honorable President Pranab Mukherjee at a recent event, held at Deoghar, Jharkhand, said, ‘Skill development is the key to creating employments’. President Mukherjee inaugurated a national skill exhibition in Deoghar, two new large scale Driver Training Institutes (DTIs) in Dhanbad and Godda and 35 Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKK). Union Minister of State (I/C) for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Union Minister of Labour and Employment Bandaru Dattatreya, Governor of Jharkhand Draupadi Murmu, Member of Parliament from Godda Nishikant Dubey, Chief Secretary of Jharkhand Rajbala Verma were also present among other dignitaries.

Skill India has been quite close to the President’s heart. In a recent initiative, he has ensured that 1500 skilled employees at the Rashtrapati Bhavan get certified for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) across 18 job roles.
India has embarked on the world’s biggest skill development programme. Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has been steering the progress roadmap for the country to enhance work force. National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under the aegis of MSDE, in partnership with Central Ministries, State Governments, Sector Councils and Training Providers, is committed to develop, execute and scale up the skill ecosystem.

NSDC would like to thank all its partners and stakeholders for their support to augment skill development initiatives.

**NSDC’s portfolio highlights for FY2016-17:**

1. The Union cabinet approved the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) scheme for 2016-2020 with a mandate to impart skills to 10 million youth, with an outlay of Rs. 12,000 crore. PMKVY 2016-20, the flagship scheme of MSDE, with enhanced focus on quality training, has more than 10,000 centers applying for accreditation and more than 2,700 training centers have been allocated targets. For regular updates on the scheme log on to: http://www.pmkvyofficial.org/Index.aspx

2. To ensure highest quality standards and to standardize infrastructure for skill training, NSDC is working towards creation of state of the art Model Training Centres or Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK). Under the PMKK Mandate, allocations have been made for setting up of 452 PMKKs across 435 districts of India, to 34 Training Providers [TPs]. As of end-April 2017, 150 PMKKs have been established across 22 states of India. Process for setting up of PMKKs has been initiated in 196 additional districts.

3. NSDC’s newly constituted unit - Industry Partnerships and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) received contributions from top PSUs and Corporates namely NTPC, POWERGRID, CIL, NMDC, NALCO, DPE, RECL, GE Power, SBI Cards and MECL. Utilizing the CSR funds, over 63,000 candidates have successfully been trained and 4000+ are currently undergoing training.

(Report Dated 31/3/2017)
As on March 31, 2017, 1913 Qualification Packs (QP-NOS) have been created across 33 SSCs. Out of these, 1466 have been added to the National Quality Register. People with Disability SSC (SCPwD), a budding SSC, also created 6 documents called Expositories. An expository details the Training and Assessment methodologies to cover specific needs of PwDs. This SSC does not develop QPs but adopts existing QPs of other SSCs to skill and to make PwDs employable.

For the first time, to enhance quality of skilling endeavors across the country, Model Curriculum and Skilling Content were facilitated by NSDC in the last fiscal. We close the year with 405 Model Curriculum and 252 Skilling Content books, with the efforts of the respective SSCs. This includes the job roles covered in PMKVY too.

WorldSkills India initiative has been leading the country’s participation at WorldSkills International competitions. India’s first national skill competition was held in July 2016 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, covering 24 skills. Preparations are underway for India’s representation at WorldSkills Abu Dhabi, to be organized in October 2017. 15 partners have been identified to support 26 trades for participation.

Udaan, the Special Industry Initiative for Jammu & Kashmir, funded by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) and implemented by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), aims to provide skill training and enhance the employability of 40,000 unemployed youth of J&K. Over 10,000 candidates have completed training and 6,000+ have been placed.

Training of Trainers (TOT) was conducted across 30 SSCs and 387 job roles. In FY 2016-17, a total of 14,212 Trainers and 6,435 Assessors were trained.

Addressing the 14th edition of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas at Bengaluru in January 2017, Narendra Modi, Prime Minister announced the special skill development programme - ‘Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojna’ for Indian youth. The new scheme is aimed at Indian youth going overseas to seek employment.
The convergence of all skill development schemes is critical for a holistic approach.

Rajiv Pratap Rudy  
Minister of State (I/C) for  
Skill Development & Entrepreneurship  
Govt. of India

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY 2.0)

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana’s (2016-20) short term training component is expected to benefit candidates of Indian nationality who are either school/college dropouts or unemployed. Under RPL, PMKVY is providing recognition to skills of India’s working population. Apart from providing training according to the National Skill Qualifications Framework (NSQF), candidates are also given training in Soft Skills, Entrepreneurship, Financial and Digital Literacy.

- All the payments under PMKVY will be made online directly into the bank accounts of concerned stakeholders.
- Training providers, training centers, SSCs and other stakeholders are encouraged to go through the online training content on [http://pmkvyofficial.org/SDMSTraining.aspx](http://pmkvyofficial.org/SDMSTraining.aspx) to get detailed information on process flows, financial modules, smart centers, etc.

PMKVY Rollout in North East

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(as on March 31, 2017)

PMKVY 2.0 State Engagement in North East - Tripura, Arunachal & Manipura
Special Projects

• Bru Tribe

Bru are one of the 21 scheduled tribes of the Indian state of Tripura. Over two decades ago Mizoram Bru families migrated to Tripura and currently, over 30,000 have been housed in makeshift camps in north Tripura. Ministry of Home Affairs has assigned mandate to NSDC to provide skill development to the families of Bru Tribe which would further help them with employment opportunities. In a pilot phase, two of the training partners Assocham and Valeur Fabtex have been imparting training in baking, tailoring and handloom weaving. A placement drive for self-employed tailors was organized on May 10 2017, where 120 candidates who have completed their training were awarded offer letters by KPR Mills, Triumph International and Aathava Garments.

• An MoU has been signed between NSDC and Indian Texpreneurs Federation (ITF) to undertake a Special Project under PMKVY. Under this project, within one calendar year from 1st Jan - 31st Dec 2017, more than 50,000 candidates will be trained in 200 textile member mills. During training, all candidates will be ensured boarding and lodging facilities by ITF. ITF will placement of 90% of the certified candidates in the textile mills at a minimum salary of INR 10,000/-. 

• Under the strategic tie up between Ministry of Defence and MSDE, signed in July 2015, NSDC is working with the Armed Forces-Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force to skill retiring personnel for second career options and utilizing their services as trainers and assessors for skill development ecosystem.
  a. Indian Army: Skill courses are being rolled out in 11 sectors across 40 locations utilizing existing defence infrastructure. More than 6,000 army personnel have been trained under this initiative.
  b. Indian Air Force: around 120 personnel have undertaken skill training at 5 locations across 5 sectors. 100% placement as Trainers / Assessors was done for the pilot batch candidates.
  c. Indian Navy: RPL training has been completed at 3 locations across 3 sectors. In the pilot phase, 70 personnel have been successfully trained and placed as Trainers/Assessors.

• NSDC has partnered with Amazon India to drive digital literacy among women entrepreneurs in Nagaland. Amazon’s Meri Saheli workshop was conducted to empower women entrepreneurs to train them to showcase and sell their products using Amazon’s platform.
Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra

Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is working towards the creation of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra(s) (PMKKs) to further the “Skill India Mission”. PMKK is an initiative towards the creation of standardized infrastructure for delivery of Skill Development training. PMKKs shall be set up in every district of India, to ensure coverage of all the Parliamentary Constituencies (PCs). The PMKK program provides financial support in form of a soft loan of up to 70 lakhs (per centre) to create training infrastructure and support the delivery of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY), the flagship skill development program of the Government at the district level.

WorldSkills India

To celebrate International Women’s Day, March 8, 2017, WorldSkills India supported HeForShe – a solidarity movement for gender equality, led by the United Nations. WorldSkills is joined by Members of WorldSkills across the globe, in backing this vital push for gender equality in vocational education and skilled professions.

- WorldSkills India participated in seven skills at the Team UK Selection held in March 2017 at Manchester, UK. Organized by World Skills UK - the competition took place across various colleges in the Greater Manchester and North West region of England.
- Chirag Goel representing WorldSkills India and WorldSkills Champions, on his maiden visit to Rwanda for the Skills on the Move project, demonstrated his skills and passed on some of his knowledge to the refugee students.
India International Skill Centre (IISC)

- 16 pilot IISCs were launched in July 2016 across India. 11 Centers have already commenced training and 3 more centers will start training by the end of April 2017. For more details please refer to http://www.nsdcindia.org/india-international-skill-centers-iisc

- Pre-Departure Orientation Training (PDot) manual for Training of Trainers (TOT) was launched in March 2017 by Dnyaneshwar Mulay, Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs; Dr. K.P.Krishnan Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship in presence of Manish Gupta, Joint Secretary, MEA; Deepiti Srivastava, Director, MEA; and Vishal Sharma, CPO, NSDC.

The first ever, 5-day TOT for the PDot was conducted at Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra by an expert team from India Centre for Migration (ICM) and Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) from March 27 – March 31, 2017 and was attended by seven SSCs and fourteen Training Providers.
Innovation Partners

The newly designed **Innovations for Skills Marketplace** [http://innovation.nsdcindia.org/Pages/innovation_partners.aspx](http://innovation.nsdcindia.org/Pages/innovation_partners.aspx) will host information on innovative solutions, practices, models and other relevant research in the skill development space. We believe, it will add value and address various challenges in the skill development ecosystem.

- We welcome Student’s **FUEL**, a new Innovation Partner, which aims to connect industry, training providers and students through hybrid model of helplines and workshops to counsel students and bridge the gap of information asymmetry across sectors.
  [http://innovation.nsdcindia.org/Pages/students-FUEL.aspx](http://innovation.nsdcindia.org/Pages/students-FUEL.aspx)

- Congratulations to **ACE Experiences**, an NSDC Innovation Partner, for its pioneering work **Dialogue in the Dark (DID)**, which has been sensitizing the society on the abilities of the disabled community through an exhibition experience. DID allows visitors to explore the unseen, with blind people leading this experience. They have trained 4100 people with disabilities (PwD), and placed nearly 3000 PwDs, across 18 sectors.
  [http://innovation.nsdcindia.org/Pages/ACE-Experiences.aspx](http://innovation.nsdcindia.org/Pages/ACE-Experiences.aspx)

Market Analytics and Research

NSDC invited expression of interest for conducting a District Wise Human Resource and Skill Requirements study for the state of Bihar in India over the period of 2017-2022. The deadline for submission of technical and financial proposal was May 8, 2017. The proposal review is underway.
Events & Happenings

President Pranab Mukherjee accompanied by Union Minister of State (I/C) for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Rajiv Pratap Rudy; and Union Minister of Labour and Employment Bandaru Datatreya - at the Skill Exhibition in Deoghar, Jharkhand

President Pranab Mukherjee accompanied by Governor of Jharkhand Draupadi Murmu inspecting tools on display at the Skill Exhibition, Deoghar, Jharkhand; presented by Union Minister of State (I/C) for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Rajiv Pratap Rudy

Celebrating 100 Years of Champaran Satyagraha Movement

Marking 100 years of Champaran Satyagraha this April, Skill India organised Rozgar Mela, Skill Exhibition and several other activities at the place where Gandhiji embarked on the Satyagraha movement and changed the destiny of India. In one week’s special event, NSDC trained and certified 1,000+ candidates across 8 job roles for ‘Recognition of Prior Learning’ under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY).

Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Union Minister for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (I/C) awarding certificates to candidates at Motihari
Inauguration of PMKK by Ashwini Chopra, Member of Parliament and Chief Editor - Punjab Kesari in Punjab, by NSDC partner Orion Edutech

Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Union Minister Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (I/C) inaugurating a dialysis laboratory at the Tech Mahindra SMART Academy for Healthcare, at New Delhi.

Hema Malini, veteran actress & Member of Parliament inaugurating PMKK by NSDC training partner Vision India, at Mathura, U.P.

Smriti Zubin Irani, Minister of Textile, Government of India, inaugurating PMKK in Amethi, Uttar Pradesh
Training program conducted for jail inmates at the Central Jail in Nagaland by NSDC training partner Pinnacle Skills.

Chief Minister of Gujarat Vijay Rupani inaugurating Kushal Gram Training centre at Kariyani, Surendranagar.

Jyotiraditya Madhavrao Scindia, Member of Parliament, Guna, Madhya Pradesh inaugurates Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK) in Ashok Nagar, Gwalior.

Mr. Jayant Krishna, COO, NSDC with Brett Judd, CEO, WorldSkills Australia (in centre) at an interactive session with WorldSkill Australia and WorldSkills India experts at NSDC Office, New Delhi.
#ISupportSkill India
Bollywood and Cricket Fraternity join hands to support #SkillIndia Mission

Union Minister Rajiv Pratap Rudy, BJP leader Shahnawaz Hussain and Delhi DareDevils Team with coach Rahul Dravid at IL&FS Skills Development’s PMKK in New Delhi

http://www.delhidaredevils.com/delhi-daredevils-felicitates-skill-india-candidates/

Rahul Dravid
Delhi Daredevils’ Coach &
Former Indian Captain

Rahul Mishra, Cricketer,
Delhi DareDevils

Bobby Deol, Bollywood Actor
https://www.facebook.com/SkillIndiaOfficial/videos/1077007639072034/
Indian Deaf Cricket Team that won the third Deaf Cricket Asia Cup, 2017 visited NSDC to share their joy along with the All India Cricket Association of the Deaf and NSDC Training Partner Mentor Skills which had trained some of the team members on vocational skills for livelihood

Frankfinn Institute of Air Hostess Training (FIAT) for gaining recognition in Limca Book of Records 2017 for “Most Air Hostess Training”. In June 2016, FIAT had also won the Best Air Hostess Training Institute Award from ASSOCHAM, the sixth time in a row since 2011. It runs 40 air hostess training centres in 32 cities across the country besides presence in Dubai, Hong Kong and Mauritius.


We invite you to mail us Skill News & Updates, Impact Stories and Articles at ruchika.tandon@nsdcindia.org

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