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Government of India
Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship
(Coordination Division)

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## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject: Monthly Summary for the Cabinet concerning M/o SDE -reg

The undersigned is directed to enclose herewith the monthly summary of important activities for the month of April, 2022.

Encl: As above

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

To:

All Ministries/Departments of the Government of India

Some of the key achievements/ initiatives by this Ministry during the month of April, 2022 are as under:

1. **National Apprenticeship Mela 2022:** A day-long 'Apprenticeship Mela' across the country in more than over 700 locations was organized on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2022. The event was digitally inaugurated by Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble, Union Minister of Education, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship. The initiative is for supporting hiring of more than one lakh apprentices and assist employers in tapping the right talent and develop it further with training and providing practical skill-sets. More than 4000 organizations across the country, operating in more than 30 sectors such as Power, Retail, Telecom, IT/ITeS, Electronics, Automotive and more participated in the event, providing scope for aspiring youth to engage and select from more than 500+ trades.

## 2. MOUs and Agreements for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship:

- (a). MoU with the Central University of Jharkhand (CUJ), Ranchi: The National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), an Autonomous Institution under the Ministry has signed MoU with the Central University of Jharkhand (CUJ), Ranchi, with the goal of identifying mutual collaboration opportunities and promoting entrepreneurship in technical and professional education in India. The primary objective of this MOU is to combine the strengths of NIESBUD and Central University of Jharkhand (CUJ), Ranchi, towards the sustained development of entrepreneurial skills, entrepreneurship education, and training. The partnership will enable exchange of best practices and provide access to resources and knowledge repositories on request within the institutional capacity for better design of new programmes and policies in entrepreneurship. The MoU will be valid for a period of five years.
- (b). MoU with the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO): With an aim to upskill the technical staff at the Department of Space in the Indian Space Research Organisation, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) signed a MoU with the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) on 29th April,2022. The programme is aimed at creating a formal framework for short-term courses to provide training for the skill development and capacity-building of the technical staff of ISRO as per the industry requirements, in the space domain in the country. More than 4000 ISRO technical employees will be trained in the programme over the course of the next 5 years. The location of the training will be the National Skill Training Institutes (NSTI) under MSDE located across India.

## 3. Meetings, Seminars, Workshops:

i) The 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Skills Qualification Committee (NSQC), under NCVET, was held under the Chairmanship of Dr Nirmaljeet Singh Kalsi, Chairperson, NCVET on **28<sup>th</sup> April**, **2022**. In this meeting, **61**(30 new and 31 revised) Qualifications were considered for approval for alignment with the National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF), of which **56** Qualifications were approved by the Committee. With this, a total number of **5655** qualifications have been aligned to NSQF and approved by NSQC, till date.

- ii) The Government approved the constitution of a High-Level Committee under the Chairmanship of Chairperson, NCVET, to develop a unified Credit Accumulation and Transfer Framework for both vocational and general education. Till date 11 meetings of the Committee have been held. Further, a presentation was also made before the Hon'ble Minister SDE on  $20^{th}$  April, 2022, to achieve consensus on many parameters for further progress towards a unified credit framework.
- iii) Fifteen meetings of the Sub-Committee representing the NCVET Council were held during the month of April, 2022, wherein proposals of various entities/organizations were considered for recognition as Assessment Agencies. With this, till date a total 52 proposals of Awarding Bodies and 32 proposals of Assessment Agencies have been evaluated by the Sub-Committee, for grant of recognition.
- (iv). To meet the needs of students by making learning system adaptive and progressive, the Guidelines for Blended Learning & Assessment has been formulated and are presently placed in public domain for consultation.
- (v). Meeting with Chairperson NIOS: A meeting with Chairperson National Institute of Open Schooling(NIOS) was held on 19-04-2022 to discuss scope of further cooperation in pathways to promote integration of vocational education in school education under DGT-NIOS MOU by opening NIOS centers in NSTIs.
- (vi). Directorate of Jan Shikshan Sansthan, under the Ministry conducted Three days' Workshop at New Delhi from 25th to 27th April, 2022 of selected Directors of JSSs and Resource Persons to prepare 'NSQF qualification files/Model curriculum for JSS scheme' The main objectives of the workshop were to study the course curriculum of courses identified for JSS beneficiaries, finalize the NSQF Qualification files and prepare the Model curriculum and assessment guidelines.
- (vii). The 9<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Consultative Committee for the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) on the subject 'Role of National Council of Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, SDE on 1st April, 2022.
- (viii). A number of review meetings was taken during the month to monitor the progress of different schemes/Projects, viz, Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme(NAPS) and other schemes for ensuring timely implementation of the laid down targets and deliverables.
- **4.** Capacity Building of MSDE officials by Art of Living: The Capacity Building Unit (CBU) has organised 5 days training (18/04/2022 to 22/04/2022) on Stress Management by Art

of Living for all officials under MSDE ecosystem viz MSDE, DGT, NCVET, IIE, NIESBUS, RDSDE, NSTI, NIMI, CSTARI. The training was organised for near about 1100 regular Govt. officials in both Physical and Online mode.

- 5. Capacity Building Training of MSDE Officials with Indian School of Business (ISB): As an initiative of Capacity Building Unit of MSDE, an MoU was signed between MSDE and Indian School of Business on 21 April 2022 to felicitate 5 days residential capacity building training for a mixed batch of 120 officers from MSDE, DGT, NSDC, CEOs of SSC, Directors of Select JSS for Capacity Building.
- **6.** MSDE is working on the idea of TV **Broadcasting of** Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Training in partnership with Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics, Gujarat Active consultation with BISAG is under process.
- 7. In addition to the above initiatives, the on-going process for rationalization of work performance through a number of internal measures continued to ensure utmost promptness and efficiency in speedy disposal of all deliverables.