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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the Monthly Summary of important activities for the month of August, 2024, for information.

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Some of the key achievements/ initiatives by this ministry during the month of august, 2024 are as under:

1. Visa partners with Skill India to up skill 20,000 youth for India's booming tourism industry

The Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council (THSC) under the aegis of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Visa (NYSE: V), a global leader in digital payments, for a three-year partnership valued at up to \$1 million USD. This initiative, designed to up skill at least 20,000 Indian youth in tourism-relevant skills, was formalized in the presence of Shri Jayant Chaudhary, Minister of State (Independent Charge), Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and Minister of State, Ministry of Education Government of India.

2. Key initiatives taken by National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS)

- Training Status: As of August 31, 2024, 367,170 apprentices are engaged for the 2024-25 financial year, with a total of 780,000 apprentices in training across 47,708 establishments.
- **DBT Progress:** Since its launch on August 11, 2023, DBT has seen an increase in apprentices from 172,542 in July 2023 to 295,011 in July 2024. The Government of India has disbursed ₹468.27 crore in stipends through DBT.
- Apprentices Act Decriminalization: Under Jan Vishwas 2.0, proposed measures include replacing fines with penalties, adding adjudication mechanisms, and detailing penalties in the Rules.
- CSC MoU: An MoU signed on August 31, 2023, aims to expand apprenticeship training. CSC is set to achieve a target of 500 contracts by September 15, 2024.

3. <u>Major activities undertaken by National Institute for Entrepreneurship & Small Business Development (NIESBUD)</u>

- International Training: NIESBUD conducted an International Training Programme on Women and Enterprise Development, training 25 participants from 12 countries under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) scheme, sponsored by the Ministry of External Affairs.
- **Domestic Training Programs:** The institute organized various programs under the PM-JANMAN Scheme, including Entrepreneurship Awareness Programmes (EAP), Entrepreneurship Development Programmes (EDP), and skill development initiatives, benefiting a total of 41,795 individuals.
- Banking Correspondents Training: An online training program for Banking Correspondents/B.Fs. was held, with 1,890 trainees participating. This program was approved by the Indian Institute of Banking and Finance.
- **Defence Personnel Training:** Three training programs sponsored by the Directorate General Resettlement (DGR) were conducted for retiring/retired defence personnel, training 99 individuals in Retail Entrepreneurship and Entrepreneurship Development.
- PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana: An Entrepreneurship Development Programme focusing on the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana was held for 78 participants.
- Mukhyamantri Swarojgar Yojana: An online Entrepreneurship Development Programme for 56 beneficiaries from Uttarakhand was organized under the Mukhyamantri Swarojgar Yojana Scheme.

• Support for Women in Disaster Areas: A specialized Entrepreneurship Development Programme was conducted for 52 women in disaster-affected areas, aimed at enhancing their self-employment and entrepreneurship capabilities.

4. Initiatives and decisions taken by Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE):

- SFURTI Scheme: A joint review meeting of 12 Technical Agencies was held on August 6, 2024, to discuss a Task Sheet with 63 parameters for cluster reviewing.
- Pradhan Mantri Van Dhan Yojana (PMVDY):
 - Conducted advocacy programmes in 18 VDVKCs across seven districts.
 - Held a review meeting with Assam's Chief Secretary on the Mini Trifood project.
 - Registered three new Cooperative Societies in Majuli District.
 - Observed Independence Day at VDVKC premises.
 - TRISSAM secured a partnership with a new departmental store in Guwahati.
 - Participated in the "Har Ghar Tiranga" campaign.

• SKILL CELL:

- Organized a workshop on Digital Marketing and Government Schemes for artisans.
- Completed 6,000 assessments under the PMKVY Project.
- Monitored training programs under SANKALP and PMKVY schemes.
- Identified 200 prospective entrepreneurs under the SANKALP project.

5. Key initiatives taken by Directorate General of Training (DGT):

- TC Section: Issued 10 DST affiliation orders, converted 56 SCVT to NCVET, processed 2 new ITI affiliations, and resolved 4 PG Portal grievances. Addressed 2,000 ITI grievances and mapped 220 ITIs on the NCVT MIS portal.
- IT Cell: Launched a revamped DGT website, published grading scores for 14,999 ITIs, and launched the AI Programming Assistant course with Microsoft. Conducted TOEIC Bridge tests for 466 students, updated PRAYAS Darpan data, and managed Independence Day event coordination. Onboarded 70,474 trainees on the DGT Flexi-MOU portal.
- CD Section: Advanced PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana with 6,000 trained trainees and 900 trainers. Registered 66,000 Agniveers on the Flexi MoU Portal and developed new courses for NCVET approval.
- STRIVE Section: Closed the STRIVE Project with Rs. 710 Crores expenditure, received Rs. 15 Crores in UCs, and reviewed audit reports and project inputs.
- TT Cell: Published AITT CTS exam schedule, conducted practical exams, issued 48 NTCs and 6 NCICs, and handled VIP/RTI/CPGRAMS grievances.
- CSTARI: Conducted ITI instructor training and ToT Employability Skills courses. Reviewed and updated trade courses and infrastructure projects.
- NIMI: Developed and translated instructional media, finalized CTS and CITS question banks, and supported PM Vishwakarma and PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana training initiatives.

6. Key initiatives taken by Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS)

- Board Reconstitution: The Boards of Management for 10 JSSs were reconstituted.
- PM Vishwakarma Scheme: Training under the PM Vishwakarma (PMV) scheme began at 109 JSSs across India, focusing on various trades.
- Candidate Enrollment: 1,76,096 candidates were enrolled in 10,157 batches through 289 JSSs on the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) portal as part of transitioning from the old JSS Portal.
- Annual Action Plans: The Annual Action Plans for JSS Mahesana and JSS Bankura were approved on the SIDH portal.
- 'Har Ghar Tiranga' Celebration: From August 9th to 15th, JSSs nationwide celebrated 'Har Ghar Tiranga' and shared photos of the celebrations on Ministry portals.
- Assessment and ULLAS Module Demo: On August 26th, a virtual review meeting was conducted to demonstrate the assessment and ULLAS modules on the SIDH portal.

7. Major initiatives undertaken by PM Vishwakarma

- Training Centers: 578 centers were onboarded nationwide to deliver training.
- Candidate Enrollment: 153,309 candidates enrolled for basic skilling across 26 states and 347 districts in 17 trades.
- Completion of Training: 142,470 candidates finished their basic skilling across 16 states and 345 districts in 17 trades.
- Certification: 90,434 candidates were certified in 25 states and 314 districts across 15 trades.
- Guru Recognition: 95 trade experts were honored through Guru ka Samman events, with 6 receiving accolades from the Hon'ble Minister in Lucknow.
- Trainer Certification: 528 trainers were certified in August, contributing to a total of 22,137 certified trainers and assessors to date.
- Financial Disbursement: Direct Benefit Transfers (DBT) totaling INR 53.11 crores were distributed to 130,779 candidates.
- Book Distribution: 223,376 training-related books were dispatched to training centers.
- Orientation Sessions: Over 20 orientation sessions were held with various stakeholders including Training Centers and State officials.

8. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 4.0

Total no. of candidates Trained / Oriented under PMKVY 4.0 Scheme from 1-08-2024 to 31-08-2024 is 3,10,010.

9. Operational Efficiency

In addition to the above initiatives, the ongoing 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.
