GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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INDIA SKILL REPORT

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

(a) whether it is true that the employability of youth in the country has decreased from 47.38% in 2019 to 46.2% in 2022 as per the latest edition of the India Skill Report, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is aware that just 21.43% of the polytechnic diploma holders and 31.3% of the ITI certificate holders in the country are employable;

(c) if so, whether the Government agrees that its policy on skill development has notable to empower the students with the necessary skills; and

(d) whether the Government intends to revamp the existing skill development programmes so as to suit the needs of the industry and increase the employability of the youth of the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) and (b) As per the India Skills Report (ISR) published for the year 2022 by Wheebox, the employability of youth in the country decreased from 47.38% in 2019 to 46.2% in 2022 and further, employability for Polytechnic diploma holders is 21.43% and ITI Certificate Holders is 31.3%. However, as per the latest India Skills Report of Wheebox for the year 2023, the employability figure of young people is 50.3% in comparison to 46.2% of previous year, which is a significant improvement. Similarly, the employability for Polytechnic diploma holders as per current report is 27.61% and Industrial Training Institute (ITI) Certificate Holders is 34.2%.

(c) and (d) Under Skill India Mission, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill training through a comprehensive network of skill development centres/institutes across the country under various schemes viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS), National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). The placements are specifically tracked under Short Term Training (STT) component of PMKVY. Under the STT component of PMKVY, a total of 68.02 Lakh people have been trained as on December, 2022 out of which 54.26 Lakh have been certified and 23.39 Lakh people have been reported placed which is around 43% of the certified numbers.

JSS: The objective of training imparted under JSS is to link the individuals for gainful livelihood and supplement their family income through self-employment and wage employment. The providing of employment/placement to the beneficiaries is not the mandate of the JSS Scheme. As far as the employment of the JSS scheme beneficiaries is concerned, third party evaluation report of the scheme observed that as an impact of the training programme conducted at JSSs, the self and wage employment and private job have become evident. The report has further observed that usefulness of the scheme would be further evident from the fact that 77.05% of the beneficiary trainees have undergone occupational shifts.

ITIs: The final report of Tracer Study of ITI Graduates (published in January 2018 by the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, GoI) mentions that 63.5% of total ITI pass-outs got employed (wage+ self, out of which 6.7% are self-employed).

Under PMKVY, facilitation of wage employment/ self-employment/ apprenticeship is provided to the certified candidates under the STT component of the scheme. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendras (PMKKs) act as nodal Centres for providing necessary support. The schedule of activities related to placements are circulated to District Skill Committees (DSCs) for wider publicity. Training Partners work in coordination with DSCs/ State Skill Development Mission (SSDM) for placement of the candidates. Further, schemes under Skill India Mission are demand driven. Addition of new courses, based on needs of the industry is a continuous process and courses in Drone Technology, Artificial Intelligence (AI),Internet of Things (IoT), Mechatronics, Solar Technician, 3-D Printing, etc. have already been included under the Mission.

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