

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
LOK SABHA
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SKILLED PROFESSIONALS FROM INDIA

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SHRI K. NAVASKANI:

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

- (a) the details of steps taken/ to be taken by the Government to increase the share of Indian skilled professionals in the global workforce and also to address the issue of skill gap viz-a-viz population in the country;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to focus on the non-traditional sectors of employment for Indian workforce in the global market;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken cognizance of ILO welcoming G-20 leaders support for the United Nations Global Accelerator on Jobs and Social Protection for Just Transitions which is an initiative to create jobs and extend social protection coverage to the deprived people?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR)

(a) Sir, under the Government of India's, Skill India Mission (SIM) the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) delivers skill, re-skill and up-skill training through an extensive network of skill development centres /colleges/institutes etc. under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY), Jan Shikshan Sansthan (JSS) , National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) and Craftsman Training Scheme (CTS) through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to all the sections of the society across the country. The SIM aims at enabling youth of India to get future ready and industry ready skills.

It has been the endeavour of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) to engage with different countries and facilitate gainful employment opportunities to the youth of the country. In this regard, MSDE has signed Government to Government MoUs of which, 08 MoUs are presently active with different countries, namely: Australia, Denmark, France, Germany, Japan, Qatar, UAE, and UK. The MoUs provide a broad framework for cooperation with the partner country in areas such as Information Exchange, Standard Setting, Mutual Recognition of Qualifications, Training of Trainers, Internship etc. for skilled mobility.

In line with the Budget announcement for the fiscal year 2023-24, MSDE has proposed the establishment of 30 Skill India International Centres (SIICs) across various states. The selection of locations of SIIC is based on country and sector wise migration patterns, the demand for overseas mobility in different regions and other feasibility parameters. The establishment of SIICs is an ongoing process. These centres will facilitate skilled mobility to the youth by providing destination-based skilling/re-skilling/up-skilling facility, assistance in placements, counselling, assessment/trade testing, emigration assistance and post placement support etc.

Currently, two SIICs have been established, one in Varanasi and another at SDI, Bhubaneswar.

Additionally, NSDC International (NSDC-I), has also signed Business to Business Agreements with business entities of various countries to facilitate overseas mobility of Indian skilled workforce, capacity building of trainers, employer engagements, etc.

Further, under the aegis of MSDE, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), has undertaken a study of following 16 countries to understand their skill requirements: Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Germany, Japan, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Malaysia, Oman, Qatar, Romania, Singapore, Sweden, United States of America, United Arab Emirates, and United Kingdom.

Additionally, India has welcomed the efforts to map global skill gaps and the development of the G20 policy priorities to address skill gaps globally, including through further strengthening our national statistical data, extending the coverage of the ILO and OECD Skills for Jobs Databases to G20 countries, as appropriate.

b) & (c) To improve employment opportunities for Indian workforce in the global market, along with the traditional sectors Construction, Healthcare, Logistics, Manufacturing, Media and Entertainment, Retail etc., new age courses have been introduced for Industry 4.0 like coding, AI, robotics, mechatronics, IOT, 3D printing, drones, soft skills, Cloud Computing, etc .

d) Yes Sir. In the G20 Labour and Employment Ministers' Meeting, India has welcomed and supported the progress on the implementation of the UN Global Accelerator on jobs and social protection for just transitions which is an initiative to create jobs and extend social protection coverage to the deprived people.
