

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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SKILLED LABOUR

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**Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the likely requirement of skilled labour force in the country including health services, industries, industrial units, e-services, etc. in the near future;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, sector-wise particularly the infrastructure sector;
- (c) the measures taken by the Government to provide the required skilled labour force in the country particularly in these sectors;
- (d) whether any special scheme is being initiated in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH)

(a) & (b) A study has been conducted by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), according to which the incremental requirement of skilled labour in 21 high growth sectors (which includes Healthcare, IT and ITES, Infrastructure Sector) by the year 2022 is estimated to be 347 million. The detail is enclosed at Annex.

(c) to (e) Skill Development related schemes are run by 17 Central Ministries and National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC). Government has taken various steps to ensure skilling of large number of people in country including:

i) A Cabinet Committee on Skill Development has been constituted on 10th June, 2013

ii) National Skill Development Agency has been constituted on 07th June, 2013.

iii) Target for skilling 5 Crore people in 12th plan period has been set.

iv) A decision has been taken to launch National Skill Qualification Framework to provide upward mobility to candidates doing vocational courses.