- (b) whether the proposed India International Skill Centres (IISCs) to promote skill trainings and certification have been operationalized;
- (c) whether Government recognises that retaining skilled manpower for encouraging jobs in the country instead of overseas is equally significant; and
 - (d) if so, what efforts/schemes are being promoted by Government for the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) As per National Policy on Skill Development and Entrepreneurship 2015, there is an incremental requirement of 109.73 million skilled manpower by the end of 2022.

- (b) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) in collaboration with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under the "Skill India" Mission is setting up India International Skill Centre (IISC) to provide skill trainings and certification benchmarked to International Standards. The Centre's are currently undertaking the mobilisation and sensitisation activities with trainings starting in the month of September.
- (c) and (d) The Government endeavours to cater to the skilled manpower needs of the country. At present, over 40 skill development schemes/programmes are being implemented by Central Ministries/Departments for social and economic growth of the nation. A number of schemes/programmes including Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) are aligned to national flagship programmes namely Make in India, Swachh Bharat, Digital India, National Solar Mission etc. At the same time, temporal demographic dividend in the form of surplus manpower provides a unique opportunity to India to meet the skilled manpower needs of the world as well. This also opens another vista of job opportunities to Indian youths. Recognising this, the Government has taken several initiatives namely Pravasi Kaushal Vikas Yojana, Transnational Standards, India International Skill Centres etc. to skill youths for overseas jobs.

Modernisation of ITIs with World Bank assistance

2889. DR. K.V. P. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the performance of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the country is providing job oriented training to the students is showing dismal picture and need a full revamp, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that Government is modernizing the ITIs with World Bank assistance, if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) present status thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY): (a) No, Sir, the performance of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in the country in providing job oriented training to the trainees is doing well.

In order to provide job oriented training to the trainees of ITIs, Government is taking a number of measures which includes:

- (i) Revamping of curricula of various trades, introduction of new trades, deletion of obsolete trades, inclusion of soft skills, IT skills, entrepreneurship skills, productivity, occupational safety, quality tools etc. in the curricula. These are aligned as per the needs of the industries.
- (ii) Upgradation of infrastructure of Government ITIs through various centrally funded schemes.
- (b) and (c) The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing World Bank assisted Vocational Training Improvement Project (VTIP) that covers upgradation of 400 Government ITIs. 34 States/Union Territories (UTs) are participating under the project. The funding pattern between Centre and State is 75: 25 (90:10 For NE States). Physical component consisted of setting up of new classrooms, workshops and modernization of tools, equipment and machinery, training of trainees and ensuring congenial environment. The scheme objective also includes enhancement of knowledge and skills of ITI instructors, strengthening facilities in 14 Central institutes, strengthening curriculum development, reforms, capacity building etc. The project started in Dec., 2007 and its closing date is September, 2016. Total allocation to the States/UTs and Central institutes under the project is ₹ 1925 crore against which funds utilised so far is ₹ 1696 crore.

Skill development in Rajasthan

†2890. SHRI RAM NARAIN DUDI: Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of skill development centres set up in Rajasthan for development of skill and entrepreneurship among youths;
- (b) the number of youths and the trades in which they have been trained in these centres;
 - (c) the number of youths provided job under the above scheme so far; and
- (d) the total number of registered unemployed youths in Rajasthan and the steps being taken by the Central Government to provide job to them?

[†] Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.