

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
RAJYA SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1433
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.02.2021**

ESTABLISHMENT OF IISC

1433. Dr. KIRODI LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NSDC is planning to establish an India International Skill Centre (IISC) to provide skill training to those people who want to work abroad, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether MoU has been signed between India and Japan for cooperation in National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS), if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether NSDC is working on a programme to send three lakh youths to Japan and whether they would be trained and sent for work, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the other initiatives being taken by Government to provide employment opportunity to the youth abroad?

ANSWER

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

(SHRI R. K. SINGH)

(a) In order to facilitate international workforce mobility, on 11th February, 2020, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) launched India International Skill Centre (IISC) Network. The IISC network is a nodal platform to facilitate international workforce mobility opportunities for Indians. It is a fee based, market driven model, determined by global workforce supply and demand dynamics. It comprises of Member Organizations involved in activities related to overseas workforce mobility like incremental skill training on international standards or testing/assessment of skills for overseas employment, operating through several fixed centres called as IISCs. Through the IISC Network, Member Organizations are supported to work across various country clusters: Gulf cooperation council (GCC); Japan, Russia, South East Asia; North America; Australia, New Zealand; and Europe. NSDC provides access to the following benefits to the members of the IISC Network:

- Knowledge and Research to facilitate International Workforce Mobility.
- Government-to-Government/Business-to-Business facilitation.
- International Skill Standard Benchmarking and Harmonization
- Advocacy and Branding
- International Workforce Facilitation - Employer Connect.
- Funding support - Candidate and business loans.
- International Assessment Centres.
- Technological Support through IT platform - Data Management and Monitoring system.

As on January, 2021, 95 organizations are part of the network operating through 537 IISCs across more than 240 districts in the country.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

(d) The Government has taken several initiatives to provide employment opportunity to the youth abroad by signing Memorandum of Understanding /Memorandum of Cooperation with various countries such as Germany, Japan, Switzerland, United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Belarus, United Kingdom and France.
