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SKILL DEVELOPMENT AT GLOBAL LEVEL

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

- (a) whether the Ministry is working for skill development in the country;
- (b) the factors that have led to India's growing recognition in the global skills landscape; and
- (c) whether the country can sustain this progress and further enhance its competitiveness, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Under the Govt. 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/institutes etc. under various schemes, viz. Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY), Jan Sikhshan 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 & industry ready skills.

(b) & (c) Factors to be attributed to India's growing recognition in the global skills landscape inter-alia include demand of skilled workforce across the globe and India's favourable demographic dividend; comprehensive network of skilling infrastructure catering to short term training, including Recognition of Prior Learning, and Long Term Training, offering courses in diversified trades; setting up of NCVET as the overarching regulatory body entrusted inter-alia with development, qualitative improvement and regulation of vocational education and training; continuous development of training courses in response to emerging market needs and consistent efforts to enhance cooperation with other countries and international institutions in the domain of skill development to bring visibility to the skilling landscape of India to the world.

The following measures have also been taken by the Ministry to further enhance the competitiveness of India:

- Bilateral engagements with different countries to provide a framework of cooperation in areas like information exchange, standard setting, skill harmonization, recognition of qualification, etc.
- Business to Business Agreements by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) with business entities of various countries to facilitate overseas mobility of Indian skilled workforce, capacity building of trainers, employer engagements, etc.
- Studies to ascertain focus countries to enhance skilled mobility and employment.
- Setting up of Skill India International Centers (SIICs) to deliver training according to international standards and provide counseling, assistance with passport and visa procedures, and post-placement support, etc.
