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INDUSTRIAL TRAINING INSTITUTE (ITIs)

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

- (a) whether Government is aiming to increase the young workforce through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and to convert ITIs into technology centres, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether Government is contemplating to increase the young workforce through Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) in Haryana and convert ITIs into technology centres, if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) Sir, The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implements the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) run through a country wide network of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) for the youth of the country. In ITIs, craftsmen training is provided in 166 National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF) aligned trades. Each trade has a dedicated course curriculum. The duration of training ranges from six months to two years. The courses have been designed to impart basic skills and knowledge in the trades so as to prepare trainee for employment as a semiskilled worker.

At present, there are 15,012 ITIs established in the country out of which 3,327 are Government and 11,685 are Private ITIs. ITIs have since long been providing a steady flow of skilled manpower in different trades for the domestic industry. More than 8 lakh candidates pass out of ITIs and get certified every year, making them equipped to join the workforce.

Establishment and day to day administration of ITIs comes under the jurisdiction of the State Government, while the policies such as setting the criterion for affiliation, conducting the examination along with certification and designing curriculum are the responsibilities of the Central Government.

There are no skilling centres as such by the name of Technology Centres under MSDE. However, several state governments have collaborated with industries to transform the Government ITIs into technology hubs/centres with modern infrastructure and training facilities to meet the industry 4.0 standards. These collaborations aim to equip Government ITIs with cutting-edge technology and industry-aligned curriculum to bridge the skill gap and prepare students for the demands of the evolving industrial landscape.

Additionally, a new scheme has been announced in the Union Budget 2024 under the Prime Minister's package for skilling, for the upgradation of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). The scheme aims to upgrade 1,000 ITIs through hub-and-spoke arrangements, focusing on outcome orientation in collaboration with the State Governments and industry. Further, the existing course content and design will be aligned with the skill needs of the industry, and new courses will be introduced to address emerging demands. Under the announced scheme, 20 lakh youth will be skilled over a five-year period.

(b) In the State of Haryana, no ITI has been converted into technology center. However, the State of Haryana has collaborated with industries for infrastructure development and upgradation of machinery and equipment in Government ITIs of the State. In addition to this, Haryana is also implementing the Dual System of Training (DST) in collaboration with local industries in its Government ITIs.

In the DST framework, On-the-Job Training (OJT) for a period of 6 to 12 months is imparted within industries itself for CTS courses of 1-and 2-years duration. This immersive approach integrates theoretical learning from ITIs with practical, hands-on experience gained in the industry.

In the State of Haryana, at present, there are 387 ITIs established, out of which 160 are Government and 227 are Private ITIs.
