OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Guidelines for the scheme of Setting up of Multi Skill Training Institutes in unserved blocks - reg

The Directorate has been shaping country’s workforce to meet the existing as well as future manpower need, through the vast network of ITIs spread over various States / Union Territories in the country. Presently, long-term vocational training courses are being offered through a network of about 15,042 ITIs located all over the country with total 22.82 lakhs trainees enrolled with an objective to provide skilled work force to the industry. Still there are a numbers of blocks across country where there are no ITIs and hence a candidate has to travel or reside at far locations for vocational training.

Therefore the Ministry has envisaged the following scheme to set up Training Institutes in unserved blocks to impart technical skills to the local youth in order to improve their prospects of gainful employment.

New revised affiliation norms were introduced in April 2018 for setting up of new ITIs, with stringent requirements of land, minimum number of courses etc. to ensure better quality of skill training. However, to encourage opening of ITIs in unserved blocks, it has now been decided to relax these affiliation norms for unserved blocks, as follows:

1. An unserved block is one, which is listed on latest Local Government Directory (LGD) (www.lgd.gov.in which is maintained by Ministry of Panchayati Raj) & does not have a single functional Govt. or Pvt. ITI. The LG directory maintains the complete list of latest States, Districts, Sub-Districts, Blocks and villages across country. For Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, it has been observed that the LG Directory shows the list of Mandals in the districts, rather than traditional blocks/tehsils. Thus the list of unserved blocks/tehsils in both the states will be finalized after discussion with these States.

2. Currently, new ITI affiliation applications are uploaded by the applicants on the portal which provides affiliation in three stage process. If an ITI has been given ‘in principal’ approval for affiliation (Stage -2) as per new affiliation norms, then that block would not be treated as unserved. Also if the building of any ITI is in progress from any funds (Central or State Govt.) in a block, then that block would be treated as served.

3. Any agency, willing to setup an ITI(s) in the unserved blocks can setup with minimum one long term and at least one short term course as per local need without any constraint of land of 1.07 acres, Canteen, parking space and sports facilities etc.

4. First priority will be given for upgradation of SCVT ITI to NCVT in unserved Blocks.
5. The ITI must equip the workshop as well as IT lab (Computer) etc as per NSQF syllabus and deploy instructors as per DGT’ norms.

6. The relaxation of the norms would be applicable for maximum 2 ITIs in the particular unserved blocks. Both ITIs should opt preferably different trade(s).

7. These institutes would be titled as ‘Multi Skill Training Institute’ (MSTI) to distinguish from other ITIs affiliated to NCVT/DGT. The trainees trained in affiliated long term trade would be eligible to get NTC certificates after successful completion of training. For short term courses, these MSTIs may tie up with DGT or National Skills Development Corporation (NSDC) / Sector Skill Council (SSC) or any other agency including Skill University etc.

This OM supersedes the previous letter of this Directorate no. DGT-12/01/2018-TC(Part) dated 25.02.2019.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

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To,

1) All DDGs and Directors of DGT
2) All State Directors dealing with ITIs
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