

DGT commences admissions for Craftsmen & Craft Instructors Training Schemes; introduces new courses & trades

- *The registration process for the training schemes began on 1st June 2023*
- *DGT has extended the registration deadline till 24th June 2023*

New Delhi, 20th June 2023 — The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, has opened admissions for the session 2023-24 under the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) and Craft Instructor Training Scheme (CITS) formats. The registration process, which began on 1st June 2023, has received an overwhelming response with over 35,000 aspiring candidates already registered on the DGT portal.

To accommodate more candidates and provide equal opportunities for all, DGT is pleased to announce an extension of the registration deadline for CITS until 24th June 2023. This extension aims to allow more individuals to seize the chance to register for the scheme and explore the wide range of courses offered by DGT. For more information and to register, please visit www.nimionlineadmission.in.

Recognizing the growing demand for skilled instructors in various popular courses, DGT has expanded its offerings under CITS by introducing two new trades: Surveyor and Baker & Confectioner under catering, and hospitality. These trades will be available at National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) located in 35 cities, including Howrah, Chennai, Noida (Delhi NCR), Hyderabad, and others. The strategic addition of these courses aims to meet industry requirements and produce graduates who can seamlessly transition into roles as instructors in Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). Consequently, the seating capacity under CITS has been increased from 14,400 to 16,500. This year, a total of 93 Institutes of Training of Trainers (ITOTs) are participating in the admissions under CITS for the session 2023-24.

Under the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS), DGT has introduced new-age and industry 4.0 courses such as 3-D Printing, Drone Technology, and IT, among others. These courses aim to equip candidates with the necessary skills to thrive in the modern industry. This initiative reflects DGT's commitment to providing industry-ready training that aligns with the evolving demands of the job market.

The Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) was introduced by the Government of India in 1950 with the objective of ensuring a steady flow of skilled workers in different trades for the domestic industry. The scheme aims to raise industrial production through systematic training, reduce unemployment among educated youth by providing them employable skills and cultivate a technical and industrial attitude among the youth.

Training of Craft Instructors is the mandated responsibility of DGT, operational since the inception of the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS). The instructor trainees receive comprehensive training in both skills and training methodology to make them conversant with techniques for transferring hands-on skills and training skilled manpower for the industry.

Craftsmanship is the foundation for the success of most businesses, and the required training aligned with the future of work for both craftsmen and craft instructors becomes imperative for their continued upskilling. In the upcoming session of the Craft Instructor Training Scheme (CITS), the introduction of the two new trades will increase the employability of India's youth.

By incorporating these industry 4.0 courses into the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS), DGT is equipping NSTI pass-outs with the necessary skills to thrive in the modern job market.

About Directorate General of Training

The Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is the national level apex organization involved in development, implementation and coordination of skill training programmes across the country through a network of 14,953, Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) (Govt. 3246 and Pvt. 11707) and 33 National Skill Training Institutes (NSTIs) in different parts of the country, largely catering to students from middle and low income backgrounds. Through this network, DGT ensures a steady flow of skilled workforce to the industry from 150 NSQF compliant trades, through a systematic and structured training. The ITIs have been playing a vital role in the growth of GDP of the country in terms of providing skilled manpower to the industry. About 12,00,00 craftsmen were trained in the last academic session to meet the existing as well as future manpower requirements of the industry.