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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly Summary for the Cabinet concerning M/o SDE –reg

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the Monthly Summary of important activities for the month of September, 2023, in English and Hindi, for information.

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Some of the key achievements/ initiatives by this Ministry during the month of September, 2023 are as under:

1. Hon'ble Union Minister for Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan launched a 3-year partnership "Education to Entrepreneurship: Empowering a Generation of students, educators and Entrepreneurs" between the Ministry of Education, Ministry Skill Development & Entrepreneurship and Meta in New Delhi on 04th September, 2023 in the presence of Hon'ble Minister of State for Education Smt. Annpurna Devi and Hon'ble Minister of State for Electronics & Information Technology and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar. Hon'ble Union Minister stated that this 'Education to Entrepreneurship' partnership is a game-changer, which will take Digital Skilling to the grassroots and build capacities of the talent pool, seamlessly connect students, youth, workforce & micro-entrepreneurs, with futuristic technologies and transform the 'Amrit Peedhi' into new-age problem solvers and entrepreneurs.
2. Hon'ble Union Minister for Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Shri Dharmendra Pradhan launched the Skill India Digital (SID), a comprehensive digital platform aimed at synergizing and transforming the skills, education, employment, and entrepreneurship landscape of India on 13th September, 2023 in the presence of Hon'ble Minister of State for Electronics & Information Technology and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar. SID is the Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for the skilling, education, employment, and entrepreneurship ecosystem of India. It is driven by the vision to make skill development more innovative, accessible, and personalized in its embodiment, focusing on digital technology and Industry 4.0 skills, and will be a breakthrough in accelerating skilled talent hiring, facilitating lifelong learning and career advancement. The platform embodies the aspirations and dreams of millions of Indians who seek better opportunities and a brighter future as it extends industry-relevant skill courses, job opportunities, and entrepreneurship support.
3. Hon'ble Union Minister of Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Hon'ble Speaker, Lok Sabha, Shri Om Birla launched the 'Skills on Wheels' initiative with NSDC and IndusInd Bank with a flagging off ceremony on 17th September, 2023. Under the partnership, 60,000 youth will be empowered over a period of five years with the objective of improving the livelihood of rural households by providing relevant skills training to its youth population. Under the collaboration, a customized bus with retrofitted tools will promote the 'Skill India Mission' initiative through 'Skills on Wheels' and will travel across the length and breadth of aspirational and backward districts. The initiative is aimed at spreading awareness at the grassroots level about free skill training programs enabling youth to profoundly change the trajectory of their lives through robust skill training.
4. Hon'ble Union Minister of Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Shri Dharmendra Pradhan presided over the signing of 8 MoUs between agencies of Ministries of Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and IBM on 27th September, 2023. Under the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) curated courses will be provided to empower

youth in India with future-ready skills. The collaboration will focus on the co-creation of a curriculum for skilling learners across school education, higher education, and vocational skills on emerging technologies like AI (including generative AI), cybersecurity, cloud computing, and professional development skills. Speaking at the event, Hon'ble Union Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan said that India, with its vast and youthful population, stands at the cusp of tremendous potential and to harness this demographic dividend, it is crucial to equip the youth with the necessary skills to excel in today's modern workforce.

5. Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship, an autonomous body under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship organized the "Manthan – North Eastern Skill & Entrepreneurship Conclave" with a focus on dissemination of schemes and programs of ministry, awareness & promotion of programs related to entrepreneurship and skill development in the region, generating actionable insights, identifying gaps, share best practices and bring about convergence of efforts in the areas of skilling and entrepreneurship.

6.(i) Pradhan Mantri National Apprenticeship Mela (PMNAM): States/UTs have been advised to organize PMNAM every 2nd Monday in 1/3 of the total number of districts in the State so that all districts are covered once in a quarter, and four times in a year. States/UTs have been given with the flexibility for choosing the district/location and the day of Mela based on local conditions/festivals, etc. Accordingly, for the month of August, PMNAM was organized on 11.09.2023. With this, so far 14 PMNAMs have been organized in 2,859 locations in the country since the month of June, 2022. Cumulatively, candidate's footfall have reached 4.01 lakh and establishments that participated in PMNAM stand at 23,154. PMNAM also acts as an advocacy platform for apprenticeship training. Post PMNAM every month, apprenticeship contracts were tracked for next 20 days and 5.16 lakh apprenticeship contracts were found generated, which may also include contract generated outside PMNAMs.

ii. Apprenticeship training status: The number of new apprentices engaged by establishments during the month of September 2023 stands at 78,014 and total apprentices engaged during the current financial year 2023-24 stands at 4,20,589 and on-going training as on 30th September stands at 6.96 lakh. The total number of establishments engaging/ engaged apprentices till 30th September 2023 stands at 41,782.

7. The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), in collaboration with Generation India Foundation (GIF) and Amazon Web Services India Private Limited (AWS India) is providing 'cloud' skills training to 1,500 learners and connecting them to employment opportunities, under project AMBER. The initiative has been undertaken under the SANKALP programme of MSDE with a focus on women to improve gender diversification in the tech industry and underprivileged groups. As part of this collaboration, the learners take part in AWS (re/Start), a workforce development program for unemployed and underemployed individuals that covers fundamental AWS cloud skills as well as practical career tips including resume writing and interview preparation.

8. Development of new portals:

- i. Monthly webform (<https://dgt.gov.in/G-20>) created to collect the data of activities conducted by ITIs in the month of September 2023 for G-20 Summit.
- ii. Maintenance of new portal (<https://dgt.gov.in/itidetails>) to capture the details of new ITIs after the affiliation and for the creation of their login details on the existing NCVT MIS Portal, subsequently keeping the data at one place systematically for future references.

9. National Teacher Awards-2023: The Hon'ble President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu conferred National Awards on teachers from across the country at a function held at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi on September 5, 2023 on the occasion of Teachers' Day. Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education has been organising a National level function on Teachers Day every year to confer the National Awards to the best teachers of the country, selected through a rigorous, transparent selection process. From this year, the ambit of National Teachers' Award was expanded to include teachers of Department of Higher Education and Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship. 50 School Teachers, 13 teachers from Higher education and 12 teachers from Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship were awarded this year.

10. MSDE participated in the 17th India-Singapore Foreign Office Consultations in Hyderabad on 18th September 2023. The meeting was co-chaired by Shri Saurabh Kumar, Secretary (East), MEA from the Indian side. During the meeting, MSDE apprised the participants of the progress on the proposed MoU in the domain of Skill Development between India and Singapore.

11. The Hon'ble Prime Minister launched Prime Minister Vishwakarma (PMV) scheme on 17th Sept 2023 at Yashobhoomi, New Delhi to equip artisans and craftspeople with modern tools and techniques coupled with credit support. More than 800 Vishwakarmas attended the event. Under PMV, Skill assessment, e-vouchers for toolkits, basic training of 5 days and advance training of 15 days followed by assessment and certification will be provided to Vishwakarmas.

12. As on 30th September 2023 around 5 Lakh candidates are enrolled under PMKVY 4.0. 12,000 (approx.) candidates have enrolled themselves in the month of September 2023. Further, 196 new institutions have registered on the Skill India Digital for implementation of PMKVY 4.0 in the month of Sep 2023.

13. In addition to the above initiatives, the on-going process for rationalization of work performance through a number of internal measures have been continued to ensure utmost promptness and efficiency in speedy disposal of all deliverables.