

Skill India certifies candidates trained under Grameen Udyami Project to boost skill development in tribal communities

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- The project aims to empower India's tribal communities by providing them training in job roles like Electrician & Solar PV Installation Technician,



Ranchi, October 13th, 2022: To propel economic prosperity in India's tribal communities and bring them to the forefront, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) felicitated 165 students under the second phase of Grameen Udyami project, a National Skill Development Corporation funded initiative. The students were recognised for their hard work and were handed certificates at the event. Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has earlier emphasised the involvement of tribal communities in the workforce, ensuring their holistic development to make them self-reliant and contained within their respective geographies.

The event was organised in partnership with Seva Bharti and Yuva Vikas Society and was graced by Shri Ramesh Bais, Governor, Jharkhand; Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Minister of State MSDE; Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, Secretary, MSDE; Shri Ved Mani Tiwari, Chief Operating Officer, NSDC; Shri Harsh Chauhan, Chairman National Commission for Scheduled Tribals; Shri Sameer Orawan, MP and National President, Scheduled Tribal Front, among others. The registration link <http://grameenuddyami.org/> was also launched through NSDC Digital to meet the aspirations of the tribal students.

The Grameen Udyami Project was launched with the aim to augment skill training in tribal communities for inclusive and sustainable growth. Under the initiative, students were upskilled and multi-skilled in order to increase their employability. It also focuses on providing employment opportunities in both local and rural economies. The project is being implemented in six states— Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, and Gujarat. This concept was crystallized by Hon'ble MoS, Shri. Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), SDE and tribal MPs. The candidates are being trained in job roles like Electrician & Solar PV Installation Technician, 2-Wheeler Repair & Maintenance mechanics, IT/ITES with e-Governance officers and Organic Farming and Mushroom grower.



Speaking on the occasion, **Shri Ramesh Bais, Governor**, Jharkhand said, "Grameen Udyami Project is launched in Ranchi to promote skill development and Entrepreneurship amongst the tribal youth, giving a boost to Skill India Mission. I congratulate 165 candidates, who trained under this programme. I also congratulate NSDC for partnering up with Seva Bharti and Yuva Vikas Society to multiskill India's tribal youth. Gram Sansadiya Sankul Pariyojana aims to target 77,000 youth and their families with E-Health cards under Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana and Kisan Credit cards Yojana. In this context, Gandhiji insisted on imparting vocational training to youth so that they become self-reliant and help in making Bharat Aatmanirbhar."

Addressing the convocation ceremony, **Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Hon'ble Minister of State, MSDE** said, "Skilling is the passport to prosperity and one of its aims is to strengthen local village economies and limit migration. Our Hon'ble Prime Minister has already reiterated the importance of skilling and multiskilling time and again. I am confident with such projects will help the tribal community to start their businesses and generate more livelihood opportunities for themselves as well as for others. The government of India has skilled more than two crore youth and given the opportunity for self-employment to many. We should always bear in mind that skilling is the only way to make the villages 'Aatmanirbhar' and pave the way for a bright and inclusive future."

Ved Mani Tiwari, Chief Operating Officer, NSDC congratulated the students and said that the Grameen Udyami Project is doing a phenomenal work in multiskilling the tribal community and inculcating entrepreneurial skills among them to increase job opportunities.

In the first phase of training, candidates were mobilized from the rural areas and their transportation, boarding & lodging were provided so that they do not miss out on the learning opportunity. In Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, the training of 157 candidates started in seven batches in the month of May 2022 and approximately 133 candidates completed the training successfully on June 27th, 2022. The phase-II of the pilot project was launched in Ranchi in August and is being implemented by Yuva Vikas Society, through Seva Bharti Kendra. NSDC under the aegis of MSDE has supported in setting up labs and classrooms through Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) in Seva Bharti Kendra Skill Development Center.

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