

Skill workforce is the backbone for every industry : Goyal

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- Program will target underserved areas in Bihar
- Focus will be on skilling 15000 persons in Services related sectors like Retail, Banking, IT/ITES and Telecom and 10000 persons in Manufacturing related sectors including self-employment
- Private training providers empanelled with NSDC will deliver training

NTPC, a Maharatna Company under the Ministry of Power, has signed its second MOU in a span of two months with the National Skill Development Fund (NSDF) and National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) . The MOU, which is a corporate responsibility initiative towards Skilling India was signed in the presence of Shri Piyush Goyal Union Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal and New & Renewable Energy and Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (IC) & Parliamentary Affairs in Patna today.

Under the tripartite agreement NTPC will contribute its CSR funds to support a project to skill 25000 persons . All programs offered will be aligned to the National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF), which organizes qualifications according to a series of levels of knowledge, skills and aptitude.

The tripartite MoU was signed by Ms. Jyotna Sitling , Joint Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India (NSDF), Shri U.P. Pani Director (HR), NTPC and Shri Dilip H Chenoy, MD & CEO, NSDC. Dr Arup Roy Choudhury , CMD NTPC was also present.

Speaking on the occasion, Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of State (IC) for Power, Coal and New & Renewable Energy said, "We are committed to the people of our country. Skill workforce is the backbone for every industry as we cannot progress until unless we have skilled workforce. I would like to congratulate Shri Rudy on the kind of work his ministry is doing. We expect his ministry to work at the grass-root level and polish all the talent in the country to be job ready for not only industries under my ministry but across sectors. We collectively want to set an example for others to follow through this MoU".

Speaking on the occasion, Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Union Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (IC) & Parliamentary Affairs said, "It gives me immense pleasure to see how big organizations are coming up to support the skill initiative in the country and thus aiding in the achievement of our Hon'ble Prime Minister's vision of a Skilled India. Agreements like these will empower the youth and make them employment ready. I would also like to thank my colleague Shri Piyush Goyal for coming forward and recognising the importance of skilled workforce in the country".

According to the agreement, NSDC through its Approved Training Partners will facilitate providing quality training and placement to the trainees through its Training Partner network, with focus on self-employment related training where relevant.

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