

ICICI RSETI offers free-of-cost skill training programmes for less privileged individuals

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ICICI RSETI inaugurates India's first IGBC rated 'Net Zero Energy- Platinum' new building in Jodhpur

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Jodhpur,

ICICI Rural Self Employment Training Institute (ICICI RSETI), which provides free of cost vocational training to less-privileged youth, today inaugurated a new building in the city. The building has been awarded a 'Net Zero Energy- Platinum' rating by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC), making it the first new building in the country to get the coveted certificate. The award is a recognition of the gamut of features that enable a sustainable environment at the building as it consumes less water, optimizes energy, conserves natural resources, generates less waste and provides healthier spaces for its occupants, as compared to a conventional building.



Mrs. Alka Upadhyay, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India inaugurated the facility and Mr. Girish Chandra Chaturvedi, Chairman, ICICI Bank presided over the event.

Speaking at the occasion, Mr. Girish Chandra Chaturvedi, Chairman ICICI Bank said, "ICICI Foundation for Inclusive Growth, the CSR arm of the ICICI Group, has been running two ICICI RSETIs—one each in Udaipur and Jodhpur—since 2011. The primary focus of the ICICI RESTIs is to provide vocational training on disciplines which have local demand so that the trainees, on completion of their training, can start their own enterprise and become financially independent. ICICI RSETIs also set up satellite centers in various blocks to provide training at doorsteps of the rural youth. I am very pleased to say that ICICI RSETIs have trained over 88,000 people, more than half of them are women. The training is helping them to earn sustainable livelihood in their villages.

We feel that including sustainable practices within a suitable learning environment will make the trainees more environmentally responsible. Keeping this in mind, we constructed this green building which includes state-of-the-art facilities and industry benchmarked training equipment. It consumes 50% electricity and water, as compared to a conventional building."

The Government of Rajasthan provided land and the Government of India provided a grant of Rs.1 crore towards the development of this facility. The foundation of the building was laid by Mr. Ashok Gehlot, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Rajasthan.

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