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# National SC-ST Hub (NSSH) Scheme

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**Why is in news?** National SC-ST Hub Conclave for awareness amongst SC-ST Entrepreneurs at Ahmedabad, Gujarat

The Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises organized a National SC-ST Hub Conclave at Ahmedabad, Gujarat on **28th September 2022** to spread awareness about the **National SC-ST Hub (NSSH) Scheme and other Schemes of the Ministry**.

The conclave provided a platform for aspiring and existing SC-ST entrepreneurs to interact with **CPSEs, lending institutions, GeM, RSETI, TRIFED etc.**

More than 300 SC-ST entrepreneurs participated in the event.

**National Scheduled Caste Scheduled Tribe Hub (NSSH) scheme** was launched by Ministry of MSME **October 18th, 2016**.

It is aimed at **capacity enhancement and promoting entrepreneurship culture amongst the SC-ST population** for enhancing their participation in the public procurement.

It is launched to fulfil the obligations under the **Central Government Public Procurement Policy for Micro and Small Enterprises Order 2012**, adopt applicable business practices and leverage the Stand Up India initiative.

The Hub would be **implemented** by the Ministry of MSME through **National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC)**, a public-sector undertaking under the administrative control of this Ministry of MSME.

It will work **towards strengthening market access/linkage, capacity building, monitoring, sharing industry-best practices and leveraging financial support schemes**.

Given the importance of MSMEs in our economy, it creates a conducive environment where they can play an integral role in development of Indian economy to realize the vision of **Aatma Nirbhar Bharat**.

Nurturing the MSME sector is important for the economic well-being of the Nation.

Government is consistently working to empower MSMEs for sustainable growth and to make them compatible in the global value chain.

The **state level conclaves assist SC-ST MSMEs to expand their horizons** by incorporating new ideas as they become aware about the various schemes of Government of India.

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