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Samarth Scheme

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Why is in news? “Samarth” (Scheme for Capacity Building in Textiles Sector) Scheme of Ministry of Textiles operational till March 2024

Samarth is a **demand driven and placement-oriented umbrella skilling programme** of Ministry of Textiles. The implementation period of the scheme is **up to March 2024**.

The scheme was **formulated under the broad skilling policy framework** adopted by Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship.

Samarth aims to **incentivize and supplement the efforts of the industry in creating jobs** in the organized textile and related sectors, covering the entire value chain of textiles, excluding Spinning and Weaving.

The ‘Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector (SCBTS)’ shall be known by the name Samarth”, signifying the broad objective of the scheme to **skill the youth for gainful and sustainable employment in the textile sector**.

The training programme and course curriculum have been rationalized keeping in view the technological and market demand of the domestic and international economies.

Samarth also caters to the up-skilling/ re-skilling requirement of traditional textile sector such as handloom, handicraft, silk and jute.

Objectives:

To provide demand driven, placement oriented National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) compliant skilling programmes to incentivize and supplement the efforts of the industry in creating jobs in the organized textile and related sectors, covering the entire value chain of textile, excluding Spinning and Weaving.

To promote skilling and skill upgradation in the traditional sectors of handlooms, handicrafts, sericulture and jute.

To enable provision of sustainable livelihood either by wage or self employment to all sections of the society across the country.

The scheme is **implemented through Implementing Partners (IPs)** comprising of Textile Industry/ Industry Associations, State government agencies and Sectoral Organizations of Ministry of Textiles like DC/ Handloom, DC/Handicrafts and Central Silk Board.

Samarth has been formulated with advanced features such as Aadhaar Enabled Biometric Attendance System (AEBAS), Training of Trainers (ToT), CCTV recording of training programme, dedicated call centre with helpline number, mobile app, Web based Management Information System (MIS), on-line monitoring of the training process etc. The State, District, Training Centre-wise information/ data in dashboard available in public domain.

The major processes/procedures adopted in the implementation of scheme are: **Training Centres** proposed by the implementing partners are to be physically verified through dedicated Government agencies for ensuring adequacy

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of requisite infrastructure as per the protocol adopted for each course under the scheme.

Employment linkage is mandated in the courses under organized textile sector with mandatory placement 70% in entry level & 90% for Upskilling programmes. Also, a mobile app for physical verification of the training centers with Geo- tagging /time stamped photographs.

Monitoring and Management Information System (MIS):

A **centralized web-based** Management Information System (MIS) has been put in place **for monitoring and implementation of the scheme.**

MIS shall act as an integrated platform for registration and empanelment of Implementing Agencies.

All aspects of programme management and implementation such as submission of proposals, release of funds, enrolment of candidates, functioning of training, physical verification, assessment, placement, post-placement tracking etc. will be managed through MIS.

The release of funds will be linked to physical progress updated on the MIS.

A Mobile Application for different stakeholders TC Coordinator, Inspection Agency, beneficiaries and grievance redressal with Geo-tag, timestamp and evaluation.is linked to the MIS modules.