21st September 2017

Dear Sir/Madam,

Subject: Accreditation and Affiliation of Training Partners under state component of PMKVy

Skill Management and Accreditation of Training Centres (SMART) is one such Information Technology (IT) initiative that aims to synergize the efforts of all the stakeholders in the skill ecosystem, and streamline the skill development initiatives. SMART provides a single window application that focuses on the Accreditation, Affiliation and Continuous Monitoring of the Training Centres in the Skill Ecosystem and intends to address the important issues like evaluating skill providers in an objective manner, fostering excellence in Training Centres, enabling trainees to make informed choices with regard to Training Centres etc. SMART facilitates standardized and effective processes with respect to Accreditation, Affiliation, and Continuous Monitoring of the Training Centres, which shall play a significant role in achieving the desired quality standards across various schemes.

There has been a sharp increase in the number of Training Partners registering in SMART in the past few months. In order to expedite the Accreditation and Affiliation of the training partners that have been selected by respective State governments for PMKVy state component or any schemes implemented by state skill development mission, MSDE and NSDC have decided that until further instructions, only Training Providers who have been formally recommended by the state governments will be eligible to register on SMART and undergo the process of Center Accreditation and Affiliation. NSDC has designed a process for the same which has been detailed along with the formats in the process note appended as annexure 1.

The details of such partners should be submitted by the competent authority in the state government on the letterhead of SSDM/Nodal department and addressed as follows:

Ajay Kumar  
Head – Centre Accreditation & Affiliation  
National Skill Development Corporation  
301-306, 3rd Floor | West Wing | Worldmark 1 | Aerocity | New Delhi-110037

Best regards,

Manish Kumar  
MD & CEO  
National Skill Development Corporation

A copy of the request may be sent by email to: smartrecommendations@nsdcindia.org

To: Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries/Directors/Commissioners for all SSDMs
Annexure – 1

Process for Recommending Training Providers for Center Accreditation and Affiliation for PMKVY State Engagement Component (State Skill Development Missions)

Given the recent focus on decentralizing the skilling process, the following note describes the new process through which State Skill Development Missions can recommend Training Providers for Center Accreditation and Affiliation for the purpose of target allocation under PMKVY State component or any other state funded schemes. Only such Training Providers which have been recommended by the SSDMs shall be eligible for Center Accreditation and Affiliation through SMART portal.

Process for recommending the training partners for

1. Upon selection of training partners for PMKVY 2.0 State component for respective state or any other state government run scheme, State Governments/ other government agencies are to fill out the details of these partners and submit to NSDC as per Annexure 1.
2. The Details should be submitted to NSDC by the competent authority on the letterhead of SSDM and addressed as follows:
   
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3. Upon submission, NSDC shall update these details on the portal which will enable Training providers to log on the SMART system.
4. After updating these details, NSDC will confirm the same to with state government/government agencies
5. State government/government agencies/ SSDMs can communicate the TPs to register on SMART using the provided details.

For the Training Provider

1. After receiving communication from the State government/government agencies/ SSDMs, TP can apply for registration.
2. The system will allow only those TPs to register which have been pre-registered through the details shared by State government/government agencies/ SSDMs. All the TP details provided by State government/government agencies/ SSDMs will be verified before the registration.
3. Once registered, the TP can initiate the process of creating Training Centers.
4. The TP will only be able to create a fixed number of training centers in specific districts and sectors as specified by the recommending agency.
5. Once Training Centers have been created, the TP can initiate the process of Center Accreditation and Affiliation (CAAF). More instructions can be viewed here
   https://smart.nscindia.org/knowledge_bank.aspx
Given the logistical difficulties that have been previously faced with franchisee centers, SSDMs are encouraged to recommend centers that are legally owned, not leased, by Training Providers.

Please note that being accredited and affiliated in no way means that a Training Provider shall receive targets under PMKVY or any other government schemes. Target allocation for PMKVY central component is at the sole discretion of NSDC. NSDC is not liable for any claims, losses, liabilities, damages or costs of any nature whatsoever to any Training Providers who are accredited and affiliated but do not receive targets. It shall be the responsibility of the State Skill Development Missions to communicate the same to the training partners.
**Annexure 2: Format of recommending Training Providers for Centre Accreditation and Affiliation for PMKVY State Engagement component**

(On official letter head of recommending authority)

Date:

Ref No.:

State:

Recommending department/ agency:

This is to notify National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) that the _______ Skill Development Mission/ <Name of Department>, Govt. of <State> hereby recommends the following training providers for Accreditation and Affiliation under PMKVY 2.0

This recommendation is made with clear understanding that accreditation and affiliation in no way compels NSDC to allocate targets to the training providers listed herein:

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<th>Name of Training Provider</th>
<th>TP ID (if existing TP)</th>
<th>Name of Point of Contact</th>
<th>Email ID and contact no. of SPOC</th>
<th>Propos ed no. of TCs</th>
<th>TC ID (if existing TC)</th>
<th>TC Name</th>
<th>TC SPOC email ID</th>
<th>TC SPOC contact number</th>
<th>Proposed State of TC</th>
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<th>Job role for CSSM component</th>
<th>Type of TC (govt./ non-govt.)</th>
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*Place:

(Location and office address)

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*Signature with official seal*

*Full Name:*

*Designation:*

*I Card No.:*

*(Enclose a photocopy of I Card)*

*Phone Number:*

*e-mail ID:*

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All fields marked with * are mandatory