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LOCKDOWN SPECIAL EDITION

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WEBINAR with Assessment Agencies

CSDCI has conducted a Webinar for the first time on 19th May 2020 on the topic ”Assessment Challenges in Construction Sector Post Covid-19” with approximately 100 participants comprising of Assessment Agencies affiliated with CSDCI & assessors. CEO, CSDCI Col Anand Kumar Singh collectively addressed the issues and queries of all assessment agencies. He briefed and asked them to be prepared for the “new normal” and issues like training & assessment in Skill Development post covid-19, reduction in hours of assessment, resuming of training and assessment works, online invoice submission, precautionary measures before aligning batch for assessment, implementation of assessments of already scheduled batches (which were falling in lockdown period), keeping track of containment/red zones before assigning a batch to an assessment agency etc were discussed and clarified by CEO, CSDCI.
Online Training and Assessment

CSDCI has started discussions on various forums and with several parties on viability of online training and assessment methodology in construction sector. It is agreed unanimously that there will be a blended methodology involving both - physical and digital forms of training and assessment.

In this week, CSDCI witnessed many such digital products aiming to address the challenges posed by the current pandemic. They presented different modules such as remote proctoring, live training etc.

Though the issue is very well understood by all that the implementation of such tools will be an issue looking at the target group largely being migrants, less educated and disadvantaged in nature. Moreover, the models of training & assessments pose a different challenge i.e. school skill assessments are fairly different from RPL assessments at a construction site.

Amongst many solution providers, L&T Edutech has come forward with the promising concept to address the above-mentioned issues and challenges. CSDCI will be posting in the upcoming newsletters regarding the developmental updates pertaining to Online Training & assessments in Construction sector.
WEBINAR with Training Partners

CSDCI has conducted its second Webinar on 21st May 2020 on the topic “Training Challenges in Construction Sector Post Covid-19” with 86 participants comprising of Training Partners & trainers affiliated with CSDCI. Prominent TPs, Associations and Industry partners like NAC, BAI, NAREDCO, LabourNet, OP Jindal Community College, ATS Infrastructures, Rustomjee etc participated in the hour long session addressed by CEO, CSDCI. Issues and suggestions of training partners like cost reduction in TOT programs, assignment of specific SPOCs in resolution of problems, TP/ AA rankings should be released quarterly/ bi-annually, development of SOPs on Enrolment of TPs, quarterly virtual TP meet, digital invoices, information on BoCW projects etc were discussed and clarified by CEO, CSDCI.
News from Skill Ecosystem

NSDC collaborated with The/Nudge Foundation for a Skill Development and Entrepreneurship event at #charcha2020. The event was supported by the deAsra Foundation and G.A.M.E. India. The event #charcha2020 was held from May 14th to May 18th, 2020 where 50 eminent speakers and panellists addressed 24 sessions over three days.

The government of Haryana is going to launch a job portal to facilitate employment opportunities for the youth. MNCs and other companies would get benefits through the portal as they would be able to recruit the qualified and trained workforce for their industries. Source: https://indiatoday.in

Apprenticeship Corner

As per the lockdown imposed by Government of India due to COVID 19 pandemic, all establishments shall pay full stipend as applicable to the apprentices engaged in their respective establishments under both designated and optional trade during this time period. Further, reimbursement of stipend to establishments under National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) shall be paid by the Government for the lockdown period as per the NAPS guidelines.
Procedures for Self-quarantine is recommended for individuals who have been directly exposed to the new Coronavirus or have history of travel in infected or heavily populated areas. under Covid-19

- **Stay at home.**
  Limit all your non-essential travels. Unless you’re going out for food, medicines or other essentials.

- **Wash your hands.**
  Practice good hand hygiene by washing your hands with soap and water or using alcohol or hand sanitizer.

- **Check your temperature.**
  Check your temperature at least two times a day.

- **Stay in a specific room.**
  If you’re sick or suspect yourself to be sick, it’s best to stay in a designated room or area away from others. If possible, have a designated toilet and bathroom as well.

- **Watch for other symptoms.**
  Aside from fever, Covid-19 symptoms include cough, difficulty breathing, and fatigue.

- **Call your doctor or hospital before visiting.**
  If you need to seek medical attention whether for viral symptoms or other medical care reasons, contact your doctor or hospital ahead of time so they can prepare and take precautions for your arrival.

- **Practice social distancing.**
  If you need to go out, maintain at least 2 meters (6 feet) distance from others.