

Table 1: List of MoU with salient features and status update (As on 30.01.2020)

S.No.	Name of the country	Name of the MoU	Entities involved	Date of Signature	Validity	Salient features	Status
1.	Germany	Joint Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the field of Skill Development and Vocational Education and Training.	MSDE & The Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) & Federal Ministry of Economic Corporation and Research (BMZ)	05.10.2015	Expired. Modified versions of this MoU as Joint Declaration of Intent was signed on 01.11.2019. Details are given below.	Cooperation in the field of Skill Development and VET, Dual apprenticeships and workplace-based skill development, Capacity Building including Competency based curricula, Training of VET cluster managers etc.	Subsequent to transfer of two verticals of DGE&T to MSDE, a new MoU for cooperation in area of "Skill Development and Vocational Education and Training" (SD&VET) was signed between MSDE and BMBF & BMZ on 5 th October, 2015. This was the Umbrella MoU. Under this MoU, other Agreements were signed with Germany. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prior to the formation of MSDE, all 8 Joint Working Group (JWG) meetings were conducted by Ministry of Labour & Employment • 9th JWG & 10th JWG were held at New Delhi in July, 2016 and Germany in October 2017 respectively. • A technical meeting with Germany was held on 13th & 14th June, 2019 at New Delhi on IGVET.
2.	Germany	Joint Declaration of Intent on Cooperation in the field of Skill Development and Vocational Education and Training.	MSDE and BMBF & BMZ	01.11.2019	31.10.2023	Cooperation in the field of Skill Development and VET, Dual apprenticeships and workplace-based skill development, Capacity Building including Competency based curricula, Training of VET cluster managers, renewable energy, e-mobility, energy-efficiency etc.	This is an Umbrella JDol which is a modified version of earlier expired Joint MoU mentioned at S.No. 1 above. 11th JWG Meeting with Germany is scheduled to be held on 05.02.2020 in India.
3.	Germany	Implementation Agreement on Indo-German	MSDE and the Deutsche Gesellschaft fur	22.08.2016	Extended upto April, 2020	The overall Objective is that actors from public	IGVET Project Steering Committee constituted to monitor the project and three meetings are held at New Delhi and IGVET clusters locations i.e.

		Programme for Vocational Education and Training (IGVET).	International Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) BmbH			and private sectors work together to create conditions conducive to improving cooperative vocational training in India.	Bhiwadi, Aurangabad. A Supplementary Agreement between MSDE and GIZ was signed on 08.02.2019 for extension of IGVET project upto April, 2020. Progress Report is at Annexure- A .
4.	Germany	Joint Declaration of Intent on the advancement of Dual VET and Collaboration on Training of VET Cluster Managers and Indian Skill Development Officers	MSDE and the Federal Ministry of Education and Research of the Federal Republic of Germany (BMBF)	30.05.2017	29.05.2020	Training of VET Cluster Managers and Indian Skill Development Officers that are directly engaged in the design and implementation of the processes of Dual VET in Clusters	Twenty Master Trainers, Ten each in Welding and Mechatronics were trained in 8 week training programme including 2 weeks of training in pedagogy in India and 6 week of training in Germany during October-November 2016. These Master trainers are faculty from Central Field Institutes of DGT. Syllabi of "Technician Mechatronics" and "Advanced Welding" were drafted by the above Master Trainers. CSTARI had finalized these syllabi and were also vetted by the German Master trainers. The course on Technician Mechatronics is being implemented in NSTI- Mumbai, Chennai, Kanpur and Howrah at present. The Master Trainers, replicated the course in two workshops held at NSTIs at Mumbai and Hyderabad, with feedback and corrective actions from the German training provider in the month of August-September, 2019. Training of 100 ISDS officers and Cluster managers to be undertaken jointly by DGT and BiBB, bmbf.
5.	Germany	Memorandum of Agreement on German Indian Institute for Vocational Education and Training (GIIVET)	Directorate General of Training (DGT) and the Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC)	18.09.2018	17.09.2021	To identify Mutual collaboration opportunities in bringing together the strength of both parties towards setting up of the German Indian Institutes of Vocational Training. This will enable systematic transfer	GIIVET Committee constituted. NCVT Affiliation norms developed and shared with German side. A meeting with German side was held on 16.12.2019, wherein modalities related to the examinations and certification were further discussed. Detailed Progress Report in respect of S.No.4 & 5 is at Annexure-B .

						of German standards of training and assessment system in Indian institutions affiliated to NCVT, providing job opportunities for trainees in India as well as in Germany.	
6.	Germany	Joint Declaration of Intent on Skills for Sustainable Growth	BMZ, Siemens Limited and MSDE	01.11.2019	Not indicated	To promote the Indo German Vocational Education and Training (IGVET) cluster approach and the Dual VET initiative at Government Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), to address the qualification of vocational training personnel etc.	After signing the both JDols with Germany on 01.11.2019, a follow up meeting with Secretary, MSDE and DG, BMZ was held on 26.11.2019.
7.	Japan	Memorandum of Cooperation on the Manufacturing Skill Transfer Programme.	MSDE & the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry, the Government of Japan	11.11.2016	10.11.2026	Under this, it was decided that Japan-India Institute for Manufacturing (JIM) will be set up by Japanese companies to train future shop floor leaders of Japanese standard level in India with Japanese style key elements such as KAIZEN, 5S and Japanese working methods and to establish Japanese Endowed Course (JEC) with existing engineering colleges	The Japanese Industry based in India has launched 12 JIMs and 4 JECs under Manufacturing Skill Transfer Programme.

						in India to train future candidates for middle management engineers in manufacturing sector.	
8.	Japan	Memorandum of Cooperation on the Technical Intern Training Program (TITP)	Ministry of Justice, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare of Japan and the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship of the Government of India.	17.10.2017	16.10.2022	To transfer technical Skills from Japan to India appropriately and smoothly by advancing the TITP program by setting out the commitments between MSDE and Ministry of Japan to send and accept technical intern trainee and strengthen international Cooperation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28 Sending Organizations have been empanelled • Record of Discussion (ROD) was signed between NSDC and JITCO in Feb 2018 which outlined mechanism for cooperation and exchange of information between both the parties. • 161 Candidates have already been placed in Japan as Technical Interns • 555 ongoing trainings in 11 locations and 24 Centers across India • India-Japan conference on TITP was held on 21st -22nd November, 2019 in Japan.
9.	Switzerland	Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the field of Skill Development as well as Vocational and Professional Education and Training.	Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship of the republic of India and the State Secretariat for Education , Research and Innovation , of the Swiss confederation	22.06.2016	21.06.2019 (Expired)	Enhance bilateral relations in the field of skills development, professional education and training. Sharing good practices in the areas of skill development. Capacity building of Stakeholders through facilitating networks and partnership.	<p>The 1st meeting of the Indo-Swiss Joint Working Group (JWG) was held on 21.04.2017 at New Delhi.</p> <p>As per the provision of the MoU, the 2nd JWG Meeting was to be organized by Switzerland. The 2nd JWG meeting could not be held due to non-availability of counter part of Swiss side during 2018.</p> <p>No request has been received from MEA for extension of MoU.</p>
10.	UAE	Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation in Skill Development	MSDE and the National Qualifications Authority, the	29.04.2016	28.04.2019	Enhance cooperation on Skill development and mutual recognition	G2G MOU signed to pave the way for trained and skilled Indian workers to access employment opportunities overseas. Further, B2B MoU between NSDC and Youth Chamber of Commerce,

		and Recognition of Qualifications	Government of United Arab Emirates			of cooperation to facilitate mobility of skilled workers from India to UAE. Mutual recognition of professional and trade qualifications accredited by both countries.	<p>UAE was signed in June, 2018 to enable skilling and capacity building for disadvantaged youth with a special focus on Indian migrant workers in UAE.</p> <p>Benchmarking of Skill Qualifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Under the G2G partnership, NSDC is working with Abu Dhabi Quality & Conformity Council (ADQCC) to benchmark qualifications between two countries. In the first analysis, 15 Indian QPs mapped to 13 UAE Qualifications shared. NSDC – ADQCC: More than 130 migrant workers certified under the new India – UAE Skill framework in September 2019 Mutual Recognition of Indian Skill Certificate by UAE Authorities 63 Indian candidates selected by Employer identified by Govt. of UAE <p>International Driver Training Institutes (IDTIs)</p> <p>Under this, IDTIs are planned to be established in various parts of Indian which will facilitate aspiring Indian candidates to be trained and acquire driver's license in line with the requirements of UAE's Roads & Transport agencies and regulatory agencies of other parts of Middle East.</p>
11.	Qatar	Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation in Skill Development and Recognition of Qualifications	MSDE and the government of the state of Qatar	05.06.2016 MoU is in force w.e.f. 21.01.2019	20.01.2022 Automatic renewal	Recognition of professional and Trade Qualifications that are issued by governmentally approved awarding bodies in both countries. Recognition of expertise of workers pre and post to the recruitment process as much as possible.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both Parties have rectified the MoU and this MoU is in force with effect from 21st January, 2019. MEA has been requested to advice further course of action to implement the MoU.
12.	China	Memorandum of understanding on	MSDE and the Ministry of Human	15.05.2015	14.05.2020	Memorandum of understanding on	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st JWG meeting with China was held in Beijing on 15.04.2016.

		Cooperation in the field of Vocational education and Skill Development.	Resources and Social Security , the people's Republic of China			Cooperation in the field of Vocational education and Skill Development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 2nd JWG meeting has been held on 20th and 21st of February 2019 at NSDC New Delhi. • As informed by Embassy of India in Beijing, the 2nd Meeting of High Level Mechanism (HLM) on Cultural and People-to-People Exchanges between India and China was held on August 12, 2019 in Beijing. The meeting was co-chaired by EAM along with the Chinese foreign Minister Wang Yi. During the meeting, the Chinese side proposed to expand cooperation in Vocational education and set up a degree program for Vocational Education in Indian Institutions. Embassy is of the view that this is a useful filed of cooperation. • Comments have been sought on this matter by Indian Embassy and the same are under active consideration of this ministry.
13	Belarus	Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation in the Field of Vocational Education and Training (VET)	MSDE and the Ministry of Education of the Government of the Republic of Belarus	12.09.2017	11.09.2022	Curricula design, training and evaluation methodologies, content, development for different learning arrangements (regular training/distance learning/e-learning/internships, etc.), learning aids provision, train-the-trainer programs, competency building of VET managers and linkage;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Memorandum of Understanding in the field of vocational education and training VET was signed on 12th September 2017 by the Union Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and the Minister of Education of the Government of republic of Belarus during the state visit of H E. • Currently there is no progress under this MoU.
14	UK	Implementation Agreement on the joint operation of the activities under UK India Education and	MSDE and the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on behalf of the Govt. of	06.09.2016	Renewed Till March 2021	Promoting and expanding bilateral relations in the field of skill development. To build an internally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This Agreement is in continuation to the MoU signed between the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India; and the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills in 2015, on the framework for UKIERI from 2016-2021 and aims to lead on implementation of

		Research Initiative (UKIERI)	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland			competitive skills base, create a dynamic and efficient skills system with informed, empowered learners and employers served by responsive colleges and other providers.	Strand 2 of UKIERI. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ UKIERI Phase II (2011-2016) focused on thematic areas agreed by both countries which included Leadership Development, Innovation Partnerships, Skills Development and Enhancing Mobility. ▪ UKIERI Phase III (2016-2021) focuses on review of the SSC partnership and initiating new partnership in area of apprenticeship, assessment and content development (broadly referred to as thematic partnership). ▪ 7 projects have been initiated jointly under MSDE-UKIERI Skills Thematic Institutional Partnership in multi- dimensional areas like Curriculum Development, TOT and PwDs etc. ▪ 1st instalment has been released to selected organizations for implementation of UKIERI project in 2019.
15	UK	Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation in the field of Skill Development, Vocational Education and Training	MSDE and the Government of United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland represented by the Department for International Development (DFID)	17.04.2018	16.04.2021	Promote greater future collaboration in domains of strengthening skill delivery in high demand sectors where UK has technical and skilling expertise, capacity building of institutions, technical assistance for a apprenticeships, quality assessment and certification.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Joint Steering Committee for India-UK Cooperation in the field of Skill Development, Vocational Education and Training was constituted on 31.05.2019. ▪ So far as, two Joint Steering Committee meetings held in New Delhi on 17.06.2019 & 09.01.2020. The Committee discussed on the issues related to counseling and career guidance; integrating vocational education at school level; design course curriculum for service sector trades; capacity building by training of trainers and master trainers; promoting use of new age technology in skill delivery; gender and disability inclusion work under Skills for Jobs; and India-UK Knowledge Exchange on Skills & Vocational Education. ▪ A delegation from MSDE is proposed to visit DFID UK in March, 2020.
16	France	Memorandum of understanding for	Ministry of Skill Development and	12.10. 2016	11.10.2019 Renewed as	Development of competence- based	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Training of Master Trainers • Exploration of possibilities to build up centre

		cooperation in Skill Development Vocational Education & Training	entrepreneurship of India and the French Ministry of higher Education and Research of the Government of France		Administrative Agreement	curricula and their dissemination within the training system. to build up capacities in training institutes and within micro, small and medium enterprises. Cooperation between French companies operating in India and Indian government in the field of SD and VET.	<p>of Excellences with focus of Training of Trainers.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This MoU has been renewed and an Administrative Agreement between MSDE and Ministry of education and Youth, Government of French Republic for cooperation in Skill Development and vocational Training was signed on 22.08.2019
17	France	Administrative Agreement between for Cooperation in Skill Development and Vocational Training	MSDE and the Ministry of National Education and Youth, Government of French Republic	22.08.2019	21.08.2022	Promoting and facilitating skill development and vocational training programs of Indian candidates in French vocational institutes and corporate in mutual areas of interest such as in automotive, aerospace, energy, technology, tourism, sustainable urban development, beauty & wellness, textiles, construction.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Training of Master Trainers Exploration of possibilities to build up centre of Excellences with focus of Training of Trainers. This MoU has been renewed and an Administrative Agreement between MSDE and Ministry of education and Youth, Government of French Republic for cooperation in Skill Development and vocational Training was signed on 22.08.2019
