



Sowing **Skills...**
...Harvesting **Opportunities**



“ We need to bring momentum to Skill India campaign and I would encourage more and more youth to come forward and participate in these opportunities being extended to them”

Shri Dharmendra Pradhan
Hon'ble Minister,
Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE)



“Skill India is one of the most inspiring missions. It remains a very active, well-funded, and solidly supported program of the Govt of India. Skilling should be a collaborative effort between Government & industry that requires skilled talent.

Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar
Hon'ble Minister of State,
Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE)

Agriculture Skill Council of India

Agriculture Skill Council of India (ASCI) is working under the aegis of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) to build capacity in Agriculture and allied sectors by bridging the skill gaps and upskilling the existing and prospective workforce. We work closely with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to improve the livelihoods of farmers, farm and wage workers, self-employed and extension workers engaged in various organized and unorganized segments. This includes:

Farming

- Farm Mechanization and Precision Farming
- Amenity Horticulture and Landscaping
- Production Horticulture
- Agriculture Crop Production
- Post-Harvest Supply Chain Management
- Agriculture Inputs viz. Seeds, Pesticides and Fertilizer
- Soil Health Management
- Commodity Management
- Agri-Entrepreneurship and Rural Enterprises
- Agri-Information Management

Animal Husbandry, Dairy, Fisheries

- Dairy Farm Management
- Poultry Farm Management
- Fishery (Marine, Inland and Aquaculture)
- Animal Husbandry

Other Allied Segments

- Beekeeping
- Sericulture
- Mushroom Growing
- Vermicomposting

Rural Development

- Barefoot Technician
- Watershed Management
- Agroforestry
- Non Timber Forest Produce



Vision

Creating a sustainable industry-aligned ecosystem for robust skill and entrepreneurship development in Agriculture and Allied Sectors

Objectives

- ▲ Facilitating demand-driven training as per industry requirements in agriculture and allied sectors by adopting global best practices
- ▲ Developing Qualification Packs (QPs) and National Occupational Standards (NOS) as per industry standards for various job roles in compliance with NSQF
- ▲ Cluster specific skill development plans to cater to unique geographic needs
- ▲ Training of Trainers (ToT), Master Trainers and Training of Assessors (ToA) to equip them with latest knowledge and skills
- ▲ Affiliation, accreditation, assessment and certification of Vocational Institutes/ Programs in compliance with standard norms
- ▲ Advocacy and promotion of skill-based vocational education and training
- ▲ Development of skills inventory to facilitate individual choices and learning paths
- ▲ Establishing systematic Labour Market Information System (LMIS) to forecast demand for skilled workforce and current job roles



What we do

LMIS

- Assessment of sector-specific needs and demands by identifying the skill gaps
- Aggregate supply and demand for training as per the requirements of the labour market
- Analyse and share information for the benefit of all stakeholders in the ecosystem

QP-NOS

- Detailed specification of desired performance in a job role by describing the knowledge and skills in the form of QPs and NOS
- Training curriculum, content development and assessments as per QP-NOS, in compliance with NSQF

Affiliation and Accreditation

- Evaluation of training partner's proposal and award affiliation
- Develop training curriculum based on specific NOS
- Assist training partners to deliver quality training

Assessment and Certification

- Develop Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for conducting assessment
- Develop assessment criteria and question banks
- Certification of candidates after successful completion of training



Our Beneficiaries

Industry

- Industry-ready workforce trained as per job roles
- Option to engage youth as apprentices
- Recognition of prior informal learning (RPL)
- Enhanced productivity and quality output
- Application of latest research findings and technology
- Attract and retain workforce through career paths

Employees

- Improved employability through right qualifications
- Recognition of skills and competencies through RPL
- Improved career progression
- Retooling of competencies and transferability of skills
- Multi-skills development, leading to increased job security

Farmers

- Improved income and greater productivity
- Access to latest technologies for efficiency and quality
- Reduced risk of natural calamities
- Development of entrepreneurial abilities
- Access to information, credit and market linkages
- Continuous learning through digital devices

Academia

- Awareness about vocational options from school level
- Institution-industry collaboration opportunities
- Industry-driven research and application of findings
- Enhanced employability options for students
- Earn-while-you-learn and apprenticeships

Students/unemployed youth

- Opportunity to acquire skills that get them jobs
- Motivate and mobilize dropouts for training and placement
- Create interest in Agriculture and allied sectors as career destinations
- Encourage self-employment and development of entrepreneurial skills
- Provide long-term career opportunities through upskilling and reskilling

Engagement under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)

Under Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, ASCI is conducting flagship scheme Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) which aims to enable a large number of Indian youth to take up industry-relevant skill training that will help them in securing a better livelihood. Individuals with prior learning experience or skills will also be assessed and certified under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

MSDE extends PMKVY program under various components viz. CSCM, CSSM, Special Projects and RPL.

ASCI - ECOSYSTEM			
Partners & Centres	Educational Institutions / Partners	Standards, Curriculum & Content	Trainings
815 Training Partners	2,331 schools across 26 States	153 Qualification Packs	Total Trained : 14,09,264
1,029 Training Centers	221 B.Voc Institutions (UGC approved)	153 Model Curriculum	Total Assessed : 11,26,903
10,290 Certified Trainers	51 Agriculture Universities	90 Assessor Guides	Total Certified : 10,16,974
1,002 Certified Assessors	11 CSIR Institutes	31 Assessment Blueprints	Training & Assessments in 13 languages
548 Industry / Associate Members	51 Polytechnicals (AICTE)	95 Participant Handbooks	Training in 28 States & 6 UTs
5 Assessment Bodies		77 Facilitator Guides	

Recent Collaborations

- ASCI signed MoU with Patanjali Bio Research Institute at Haridwar and launched Recognition of Prior Learning program for 40,000 farmers in Organic Farmer and Group Farming Practitioner job roles.
- ASCI and National Collateral Management Limited (NCML) collaborated on several aspects to cover RPL, Short Term Training, Apprenticeship and Industry validations.
- MoU with Haryana State Industrial & Infrastructure Development Corporation (HSIIDC) for conducting short-term training for youth of Haryana.
- MoU with IGNOU to offer NSQF-based skilling programs and set up skill development centers along with support for capacity building.
- MoU with Nempact, a placement agency that provides assistance to affiliated Training Partners of ASCI for pan-India placement of skilled candidates.



Training of Trainers and Master Trainers

ASCI organizes Training of Trainers (ToT) and Training of Master Trainers (ToMT) Programs on a regular basis for various job roles across different geographical regions aiming to improve training delivery skills in the sector of their preference in alignment with NSQF



ToT at BAU Sabour

Number of ToT & ToMT Programs	368
Number of trainers certified	10,480

How ToT program helps Trainers

- ▲ Understand and identify parts of a NOS in domain QP and trainee handbook
- ▲ Follow quality systems, ethics and safety practices for effective training
- ▲ Determine professional development needs and prepare a development plan
- ▲ Design, plan and deliver competency-based training sessions
- ▲ Demonstrate effective training delivery tailored for learner needs
- ▲ Identify, support and coach learners with special needs



ToT at Kanpur

How ToMT program helps Master Trainers

- Develop and enhance training, facilitation and learning practices
- Facilitate learning sessions; reflect and improve practice through evaluation
- Facilitate use of appropriate training methods, learning techniques and use of ICT

Interventions at School, College and University Level

School

ASCI has introduced NSQF based programs for schools from class 9th to class 12th (equivalent to NSQF Level 4) in collaboration with various state governments under Samagra Shiksha of Ministry of Education, Government of India. ASCI facilitates training as per Qualification Packs (QPs), conducts assessments and certification of students apart from supporting State Education Boards.



State	No. of Schools	State	No. of Schools
Madhya Pradesh	244	Kerala	389
Maharashtra	233	Telangana	35
Himachal Pradesh	199	Sikkim	60
Odisha	176	Goa	28
Chhattisgarh	123	Gujarat	97
Punjab	125	Uttarakhand	16
Assam	125	Tripura	31
Andhra Pradesh	29	Ladakh	6
Jammu & Kashmir	40	Nagaland	37
Rajasthan	153	Mizoram	4
Tamil Nadu	39	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	12
Jharkhand	49	Karnataka	32
Meghalaya	44	Puducherry	5

Total 2,331 schools are running Agriculture courses in 26 states

College

ASCI works with 221 colleges offering skill-based training. This includes Universities & Colleges which offer Diploma, Advanced Diploma & B.Voc programs. ASCI has completed assessment of 13,032 students enrolled in different courses. All courses are being aligned with QP-NOS from level 4 to level 7.

University

ASCI has signed MoUs with various universities & CSIR Institutes in order to align their short term skill training programs with ASCI developed Qualification Packs, in line with National Skill Qualification Framework of Govt. of India for certification of the candidates. We also conduct joint ToT program with them.



Agriculture / Horticulture Universities:

1. Punjab Agriculture University (PAU), Ludhiana
2. Tamil Nadu Agriculture University (TNAU), Coimbatore
3. Orissa University of Agriculture & Technology (OUAT), Bhubaneswar
4. University of Horticultural Sciences (UHS), Bagalkot
5. Indira Gandhi Krishi Vishwavidyalaya (IGKV), Raipur Chhattisgarh
6. University of Agricultural & Horticultural Sciences (UAHS), Shimoga
7. Central Agricultural University (CAU), Manipur
8. Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University (PJ TSAU), Hyderabad
9. Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University (CCSHAU), Hisar
10. Banda University of Agriculture & Technology (BUAT), Banda
11. Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture & Technology (MPUAT), Udaipur
12. Navsari Agricultural University (NAU), Navsari
13. Bihar Agriculture University (BAU), Sabour, Bhagalpur
14. G B Pant University of Agriculture & Technology (GBPU&T), Pantnagar
15. Birsa Agricultural University (BAU), Ranchi
16. Dr. YSR Horticultural University (Dr. YSRHU), Andhra Pradesh
17. Dr. Yashwant Singh Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry (YSPUHF), Solan
18. University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad
19. Kerala Agricultural University (KAU), Kerala
20. Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya (JNKVV), Jabalpur
21. Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya (RVSKVV), Gwalior
22. CSK Himachal Pradesh Krishi Vishwavidyalaya (CSK HPKV), Palampur
23. Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwavidyalaya (BCKV), West Bengal
24. Acharya N.G. Ranga Agricultural University (ANGRAU), Guntur
25. Swami Keshwanand Rajasthan Agricultural University (SKRAU), Bikaner
26. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology (SVPUAT), Meerut
27. Junagadh Agricultural University (JAU), Junagardh
28. Sri Karan Narendra Agriculture University (SKNAU), Jobner
29. Assam Agricultural University (AAU), Jorhat
30. Maharana Pratap Horticultural University (MHU), Karnal
31. Narendra Deva University of Agriculture & Technology (NDUAT), Faizabad
32. University of Agricultural Sciences, Raichur
33. Indian Institute of Horticultural Research, Bengaluru
34. Dr. Balasaheb Sawant Konkan Vidyapeeth, Dapoli

Veterinary / Animal Sciences / Fisheries Universities

1. Guru Angad Dev Veterinary & Animal Sciences University (GADVASU), Ludhiana
2. Tamil Nadu Veterinary and Animal Sciences University (TANUVAS), Chennai
3. Tamil Nadu Fisheries University (TNFU), Nagapattinam
4. West Bengal University of Animal & Fishery Sciences (WBUAFS), Kolkata
5. U.P. Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Pashu Chikitsa Vigyan Vishwavidyalaya Evam Go Anusandhan Sansthan (DUVASU), Mathura
6. Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University (MAFSU), Nagpur
7. Kerala Veterinary & Animal Sciences University (KVASU), Kerala
8. Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University (SVVU), Tirupati
9. Lala Lajpat Rai University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Hisar
10. Rajasthan University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (RAJUVAS), Bikaner
11. Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Science University (NDVSU), Jabalpur
12. The National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI), Karnal
13. Karnataka Veterinary, Animal & Fisheries Sciences University (KVAFSU), Karnataka
14. Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE), Mumbai
15. Chhattisgarh Kamdhenu Vishwavidyalaya (CGKV), Anjora
16. Bihar Animal Sciences University (BASU), Patna
17. Kerala University of Fisheries & Ocean Studies (KUFOS), Kochi

CSIR

1. CSIR- National Institute of Oceanography (CSIR-NIO), Goa
2. CSIR- Institute of Himalayan Bioresource Technology (CSIR-IHBT), Palampur
3. CSIR- Indian Institute of Toxicology Research (CSIR-IITR), Lucknow
4. CSIR- Central Scientific Instruments Organization (CSIR-CSIO), Chandigarh
5. CSIR- National Botanical Research Institute (CSIR-NBRI), Lucknow
6. CSIR- Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (CSIR-IIIM), Jammu
7. CSIR- National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science & Technology (CSIR-NIIST), Thiruvananthapuram
8. CSIR- Advanced Material & Processes Research Institute (CSIR-AMPRI), Bhopal

Collaboration with the Government Departments and Institutions

Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare (MoA&FW)

ASCI is closely working with all three key department of Ministry of Agriculture i.e.: Department of Agriculture & Cooperation (DAC), Department of Animal husbandry, Dairy & Fishery (DADF) and ICAR. Key collaborative areas are.

- ▲ Identification of high employability areas / Job Roles and subsequent development of NOS & Training modules for the same.
- ▲ Optimal utilization of infrastructure of DAC&FW / DADF/ ICAR for 'Training of Trainer' programs wherever possible.
- ▲ Sub-sector specific skill gap studies collaboration between ASCI and Ministry.
- ▲ Support to Centre of Excellence through RKVY or other relevant schemes post receipt of proposals.
- ▲ Providing a list of recent retired officials who can be accessed as Trainers and Assessors by TPs and Assessment bodies.

+ Collaboration with ICAR – KVKs:

MoA&FW through its Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) involved various institutions under the domain of Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) and Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers welfare (DAC & FW) for expanding the outreach of skilling.

In order to expand maximum outreach judiciously, 410 Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) under the aegis of ICAR were selected. Another 29 DAC & FW, 12 DADF, 47 ICAR and 32 SAU Institutes were also selected to gain necessary impetus to the skill building work. ASCI is partnering this initiative by:

- ▲ Short Term Training programs of KVK aligned with Common Course Curriculum developed according to NSQF
- ▲ Possibility of training KVK trainers on Adult learning / Pedagogy and Instructional Design through SSC.

Ministry of Defence (MoD)

ASCI is working with few regimental centres of Indian Army for training of retiring Army personnel in various job roles. It also intends to prepare Army veterans as trainers, assessors and entrepreneurs for a second career.

- ▲ For the Indian Army, ASCI has conducted 9 short training courses in different regimental centers
- ▲ Few job roles of Remount & Veterinary Corps (RVC) have been mapped to job roles for Training of Trainer
- ▲ Indian Navy has approached ASCI for conducting training of their personnel on Climate Change & Risk Mitigation Management.

Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD)

ASCI has signed an agreement with MNREGA division of Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD), Govt. of India for introduction of outcome based training, assessments and certifications on Barefoot Technician Job role for MoRD sponsored trainees. These are residential trainings with a duration of 3 months and is being delivered through their institutes i.e. State Institute of Rural Development (SIRDs). Nearly every state has one SIRD which are affiliated Training Providers of ASCI. Post successful training, all certified candidates are employed by local Panchayats under MNREGA (a technical resource to Panchayat for implementation of MNREGA works).

Till date, ASCI has trained more than 9,138 candidates in 20 states.

Ministry of Environment & Forest (MoEF)

Through Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), ASCI has been in discussion with MoEF for alignment for Forestry related training programs to NSQF. These relate primarily to Agro Forestry and Non Timber Forest Produce.

Qualification Packs (QPs) and National Occupational Standards (NOS)

ASCI envisions to upgrade skills of cultivators, direct and indirect labor engaged in organized and unorganized Agriculture and Allied Industry through standardized training on the NOS' developed in line with the industry needs. Keeping in view the current and emerging needs of the nation/industry, ASCI has developed 153 Qualification Packs in different segments giving emphasis to new generational Job Roles.

Farm Mechanization & Precision Farming

1. Micro Irrigation Technician
2. Greenhouse Installer
3. Tractor Operator
4. Greenhouse Operator
5. Combine Harvester Machine Operator
6. Solar Pump Technician
7. Pesticide & Fertilizer Applicator
8. Power Tiller Operator
9. Irrigation Service Technician
10. Operator-Reaper, Thresher and Crop Residue Machinery
11. Service and Maintenance Technician-Farm Machinery
12. Agriculture Machinery Demonstrator
13. Farm Workshop Foreman / Supervisor
14. Farm Workshop Service Manager
15. Agriculture Machinery Repair and Maintenance Service Provider
16. Custom Hiring Service Provider
17. Tractor Service Mechanic
18. Precision Farming Technician
19. Kisan Drone Operator
20. Rice Transplanter Machine operator cum Mechanic

Agriculture Crop Production

21. Paddy Farmer
22. Cereal Crop Grower
23. Pulses Cultivator
24. Oilseed Crop Grower
25. Cotton Cultivator
26. Sugarcane Cultivator
27. Jute & Mesta Cultivator
28. Organic Grower

Production Horticulture

29. Banana Farmer cum Primary Processor
30. Solanaceous Crop Cultivator
31. Spice Crop Cultivator
32. Makhana Grower cum Processor
33. Coconut Grower cum Primary Processor
34. Friends of Coconut Tree
35. Neera Technician cum Primary Processor
36. Coffee Plantation Worker
37. Tea Plantation Worker
38. Floriculturist
39. Horticulturist-Protected Cultivation
40. Flower Handler-Packaging & Pelletising
41. Vineyard Grower
42. Vineyard Worker
43. Medicinal and Aromatic Plants Grower
44. Essential Oil Extractor

45. Plant Tissue Culture Technician
46. Tropical/Subtropical Fruit Grower
47. Vegetable Grower
48. Technician-Coir Grow Media
49. Tea Maker (Production)
50. Tea Factory Assistant

Amenity Horticulture & Landscaping

51. Gardener
52. Assistant Gardener
53. Florist
54. Hydroponics Technician
55. Nursery Worker
56. Interior Landscaper
57. Gardener cum Nursery Raiser
58. Heritage Gardener

Agri-Information Management

59. Agriculture Extension Service Provider
60. Agriculture Field Officer
61. Krishi Sahayak

Animal Husbandry

62. Livestock Service Provider
63. Artificial Insemination Technician
64. Piggery Farmer
65. Goat/Sheep Farmer

Dairy Farm Management

66. Dairy Farmer/Entrepreneur
67. Dairy Worker
68. Dairy Farm Supervisor
69. Village Level Milk Collection Center Incharge
70. Milk Procurement & Input Supervisor
71. Milk Tester
72. Bulk Milk Cooler Operator
73. Chilling Plant Technician

Equine Management

74. Stud Farm Worker

Poultry Farm Management

75. Poultry Hatchery Supervisor
76. Poultry Farm Supervisor
77. Poultry Farm Worker
78. Poultry Feed, Food Safety And Labeling Supervisor
79. Small Poultry Farmer
80. Hatchery Operator
81. Chick Sexing and Grading Technician

Fisheries

82. Hatchery Production Worker
83. Marine Capture Fisherman cum Primary Processor
84. Shrimp Farmer
85. Aquaculture Technical Supervisor
86. Aquaculture Worker
87. Aquatic Animal Health Lab Supervisor
88. Animal/ Aqua Feed Technician
89. Fish Retailer
90. Fishing Boat Deckhand
91. Fishing Boat Driver (Small Mechanized vessels upto 24 OAL)
92. Fishing Boat Maintenance Worker
93. Fishing Equipment Technician (Electronics)
94. Fishing Gear Technician
95. Fishing Boat Mechanic
96. Freshwater Aquaculture Farmer
97. Inland Capture Fisherman Cum Primary Processor
98. Mariculture Farmer
99. Ornamental Fish Farmer
100. Brackishwater Aquaculture Farmer
101. Aquarium Technician
102. Fish Seed Grower
103. Fisheries Extension Associate
104. Deep Sea Fisher
105. Coldwater Aquaculture Farmer

Seed Industry Segment

106. Quality Seed Grower
107. Seed Processing Worker
108. Seed Analysis In-charge
109. Seed Processing Plant - Technician
110. Seed Processing Plant - Supervisor

Commodity Management

111. Agri Research Analyst
112. Agri Commodity Quality Assayer
113. Risk Analyst Manager-Agri Commodity
114. Agri Commodity Procurement Manager
115. Electronic Trading Supervisor-Agri Commodity
116. Commodity Account Manager
117. Produce Mapping Surveyor
118. Agri Commodity Fumigation Operator

Soil Health Management

119. Soil & Water Testing Lab Technician
120. Soil & Water Testing Lab Analyst

Post-Harvest Supply Chain Management

121. Supply Chain Field Executive
122. Agriculture Warehouse Worker
123. Packhouse Worker
124. Ripening Chamber Operator
125. Cold Storage Supervisor
126. Cold Storage Manager
127. Controlled Atmosphere (CA) Store Technician
128. Agri Warehouse Supervisor

Other Allied

129. Beekeeper
130. Sericulturist
131. Barefoot Technician

Forestry / Agroforestry

132. Non-Timber Forest Produce Harvester
133. Forest Nursery Raiser
134. Lac Cultivator
135. Timber Grower
136. Bamboo Grower
137. Urban Forest Developer
138. Vriksh Sanrakashak

Watershed Management

139. Water Resource Community Mobilizer
140. Water Resource Coordinator
141. Para Geohydrologist
142. Water Resource Assistant
143. Water Resource Supervisor

Agri Entrepreneurship & Rural Enterprises

144. Mushroom Grower (Entrepreneur)
145. Agri Service Input Dealer
146. Community Service Provider
147. Vermicompost Producer
148. Group Farming Practitioner
149. Institution Development Manager

Captive and Small Animals Management

150. Canine Trainer and Handler
151. Zoo Animal Keeper
152. Stray Animal Catcher
153. Laboratory Animal Attendant

State Engagement

Agriculture being a State subject, lot of key activities need to be coordinated at the regional level. We have partnered with Govt. of Jammu & Kashmir, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Sikkim, Himachal Pradesh, Kerala, Haryana, Punjab, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Odisha, Assam, Tripura, Meghalaya, Puduchery, Telangana, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar and West Bengal.

While ASCI has done training in 28 states and 4 Union Territories, in order to accelerate its efforts effective delivery of skill development services, ASCI has joined hands with 21 State Governments.

Uttarakhand

ASCI has started active collaboration with Uttarakhand Skill Mission. An important initiative has been taken for jail program wherein ASCI conducted 3 short term training courses in Organic Farming in three different jails of Uttarakhand - Dehradun, Haridwar and Sitarganj. Also, few batches were conducted with UKSDM in Agriculture Extension Service Provider. A MOU has also been signed with G. B. Pant Agriculture University.

Maharashtra

Maharashtra State Skill Development Society (MSSDS) implemented Maharashtra Agri Skilling Program (MASP) an Agri-Skilling program for small land-holders in the state of Maharashtra under the aegis of the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana – PMKVY 2.0. The key objective of the program was to certify 2,82,000 small holder farmers in group farming practice and encourage them to form Farmer Producer Organisations so that they are able to access sustainable livelihoods and improved incomes. More than 3 lakh Farmers were oriented across various districts of Maharashtra during the programme and 2,82,000 farmers successfully certified as targeted during the programme.

West Bengal

ASCI signed a MoU with Paschim Banga Society for Skill Development (PBSSD) in presence of the Hon'ble Chief Minister of the state. ASCI is committed to accelerate the skill development in the state by bringing stakeholders of agriculture and allied sector on a common platform & has successfully collaborated with West Bengal University of Animals & Fishery Sciences & Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwavidyalaya.

Madhya Pradesh

ASCI signed a MoU with Madhya Pradesh State Skill Development Mission (MPSSDM) for skill development in Agriculture & Allied sector. This MoU will lead to NSQF based skill development training & capacity building in agriculture & allied based job roles as per Industry recognized National Occupational Standards followed by assessment & certification.

Odisha

Odisha is blessed with natural resources ranging from different forms of water bodies to natural vegetation with diversified agro climatic zone and providing an opportunity for cluster development in agri and allied sectors. Each district has its own demographic advantages to be ATMANIRBHAR. ASCI plans to encourage skill development programme by blending traditional with modern agriculture technologies to bring revolution in agriculture sector. ASCI is closely working with Odisha Skill Development Authority (OSDA) by bringing other stakeholders to a common platform for skill development.

Punjab

Project M000 has been launched to promote Dairy Skilling from 2018. The inauguration of Project M000 under CSR for Dairy Farmers by UDAY Skills in Sangrur and Patiala district along with the Australian High Commissioner.

Jammu & Kashmir

ASCI signed MoU with Sher-e-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology, Jammu. ASCI is committed to accelerate the skill development in the state by bringing stakeholders of agriculture and allied sector on a common platform.



Rajasthan

ASCI collaborated with Rajasthan Skill & Livelihood Development Corporation (RSLDC) for outcome based trainings, assessments and certification on Qualification Pack and National Occupational Standards for UPSDM sponsored trainees in agriculture & Agri Allied job roles. We propose to scale up these programs under state component of PMKVY.

Job roles like Micro Irrigation Technician and Solanaceous Crop Cultivator under Agriculture sector got introduced in 62 schools in Rajasthan under Samagra Shiksha aligned with National Skill Qualification Framework.

Bihar

It is expected that the second green revolution of our country will be from the eastern region of India and Bihar will be the hub of it. Bihar Skill Development Mission (BSDM) has started their batches of training under state skill development mission scheme and they have included 34 Agricultural Job Roles. ASCI has successfully conducted a 10 days Training of Trainers for the record 203 Participants for 10 job roles at Bihar Agricultural University, Sabour which is one of the biggest ToT.



ToT at BAU Sabour

Jharkhand

Jharkhand is a state of opportunities and it is divided into different agro-climatic as well as the demographic zone, basis that, ASCI plans to encourage skill development activities in the state. Jharkhand has a huge tribal population and ASCI has developed few specific job roles like Lac Cultivation, Sericulture, Non-Timber Forest Products Collectors and Forest Nursery Raiser etc. Also, ASCI and JOHAR (Jharkhand Opportunities for Harnessing Rural Growth) joined hands to make a paradigm shift in agriculture skilling results to enhance the productivity as well as household income. JOHAR is a flagship project of Jharkhand State Livelihood Promotion Society (JSLPS) due funded by World Bank. Over 200,000 rural households and some 3,500 farmer producer groups are expected to benefit from the project.

Kerala

The Kerala Agro Industries Corporation Ltd (KAIC) joined hands with ASCI to conduct RPL for 42,000 of their prior / earlier trained candidates in 10 districts of Kerala for certification for the job roles of Friends of Coconut Tree (FoCT), Solanaceous Crop Cultivator, Gardener, Tractor Operator, Tractor Mechanic.

ASCI had organized exposure visit & Practical Training program for the fishermen from various parts of Karnataka to get exposure on Fishing techniques and post-harvest technologies in collaboration with Central Institute of Fisheries Technology, Kochi.

Awards & Achievements

ASCI has won the Best Sector Skill Council Award at 5th ASSOCHAM Skills Summit on 27th Nov' 19 at New Delhi. The Award was instituted by the ASSOCHAM and was conferred at the Inaugural session of the Summit by Shri R.K.Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

This award is in recognition of Agriculture Skill Council efforts that have supported the development of standards, facilitated flagship Skill Development programs, introduction of vocational courses at School, College and University level both in cities and in rural areas.



CEO ASCI receiving the best SSC award

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