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Hon'ble President appreciates Agriculture SSC efforts for Skilling in Agroforestry

Agriculture SSC participated in a 4 day Skill Exhibition & Job Mela from 2nd – 5th Apr, 2017 at Deoghar Jharkhand. Hon'ble President Sh. Pranab Mukherjee graced Agriculture SSC stall along with Hon'ble Minister of State Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE) Sh. Rajiv Pratap Rudy and Hon'ble Minister of Labour and Employment Sh. Bandaru Dattatreya. ASCI showcased models on Sericulture, Lac Cultivation, Bee keeping & Greenhouse. He appreciated ASCI efforts for skilling in Agroforestry sector which are relevant for states viz. Jharkhand, Assam, Chhattisgarh, etc.

Sowing Skills...

... Harvesting Opportunitites

Successful completion of Skill Programs at 99 KVKs & 7 DAC Institutes

During the FY 2016-17 the ongoing skilling program of MSDE got a boost with Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare's taking up skilling programs for various job roles under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY). They involved various Institutions under the domain of Indian Council of Agriculture Research (ICAR) and Department of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare (DAC&FW)

In order to rollout, 100 Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) and 8 DAC&FW institutes under the aegis of ICAR & DAC respectively were selected. Each of these 108 institutes was advised to skill 40 trainees in two separate job roles.



Particulars	KVKs	DAC Institutes
Nos. of institutes selected under RKVY	100	8
Nos. of institutes actually participated under RKVY	99	7
Nos. of batches (training) planned	200	16
Nos. of batches (training) actually executed	188	15
Trainees imparted training	3724	341

A total of 4065 candidates got trained across 106 institutes covering 29 states/ UTs.

AICTE Institutes commence Agriculture Skill Programs

MSDE Collaborated with All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) for uptake of Technical Courses under PMKVY Scheme using the College infrastructure. Three job roles viz. Micro Irrigation Technician, Solar Pump Technician and Green House Fitter were selected for year 2016-17.

The Institutes which participated in this program are:

- (i) Gramin Polytechnic College, Nanded, Maharashtra
- (ii) Aditya Engineering College, Kakinada
- (iii) Government Polytechnic College, Gaya
- (iv) K G Reddy College of Engineering & Technology, Telangana
- (v) Vidyaa Vikas College of Engineering & Technology, Tamil Nadu

University & College Program

ASCI conducts B.Voc and Kaushal Kendra Programs with Community Colleges. A total of 1648 Candidates got enrolled and 947 Candidates got assessed for the year 2016-17.

ASCI collaborates with 22 New Agriculture, Veterinary & Fisheries Universities / Institutes

ASCI in its endeavor to develop/upgrade the skills of Indian Agriculture & Agri Allied workforce, is collaborating with all key stakeholders including Agriculture & Veterinary Universities & Research Institutions in order to align the short term skill training programs of universities with ASCI developed Qualification Packs in line with National Skills Qualification Framework (NSQF) of Govt. of India & conduct assessment & certification of the candidates. ASCI has already signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with 22 new leading Universities taking the total to 37 Universities / Institutes.

Agriculture & Horticulture Universities / Institutes

- I. Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University (CCSHAU), Hisar
- II. Banda University of Agriculture & Technology (BUAT), Banda
- III. Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture & Technology (MPUAT), Udaipur
- IV. Navsari Agricultural University (NAU), Navsari, Gujarat
- V. Bihar Agriculture University (BAU), Sabour, Bhagalpur
- VI. G B Pant University of Agriculture & Technology (GBPU&AT), Pantnagar
- VII. Birsa Agricultural University (BAU), Ranchi
- VIII. Dr. YSR Horticultural University (Dr. YSRHU), Andhra Pradesh
- IX. Dr. Yashwant Singh Parmar University of Horticulture & Forestry (YSPUHF), Solan
- X. University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Dharwad
- XI. Kerala Agricultural University (KAU), Kerala
- XII. Jawaharlal Nehru Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya (JNKVV), Jabalpur
- XIII. Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Krishi Vishwa Vidyalaya (RVSKVV), Gwalior.

Veterinary & Animal Sciences Universities / Institutes

- I. The National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI), Karnal
- II. Lala Lajpat Rai University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences, Hisar
- III. Rajasthan University of Veterinary & Animal Sciences (RAJUVAS), Bikaner
- IV. Nanaji Deshmukh Veterinary Science University (NDVSU), Jabalpur
- V. Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University (SVVU), Tirupati
- VI. Karnataka Veterinary, Animal & Fisheries Sciences University (KVAFSU), Karnataka
- VII. Chhattisgarh Kamdhenu Vishwavidyalaya (CGKV), Anjora

Fisheries Universities / Institutes

- I. Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE), Mumbai
- II. CSIR-National Institute of Oceanography (CSIR-NIO), Goa

Development of QP/NOS

Agriculture SSC has developed 24 new QPs taking the total to 156 QPs:

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| 1. Agriculture Machinery Operator | 13. Agri Commodity Quality Assayer |
| 2. Irrigation Service Technician | 14. Risk Analyst Manager-Agri Commodity |
| 3. Operator-Reaper Thresher and Crop Residue Machinery | 15. Agri Commodity Procurement Manager |
| 4. Service and Maintenance Technician-Farm Machinery | 16. Electronic Trading Supervisor-Agri Commodity |
| 5. Agriculture Machinery Demonstrator | 17. Commodity Account Manager |
| 6. Farm Workshop Foreman/Supervisor | 18. Produce Mapping Surveyor |
| 7. Farm Workshop/Service Manager | 19. Aquaculture Fabricator |
| 8. Agriculture Machinery Repair and Maintenance Service Provider | 20. Institution Development Manager |
| 9. Custom Hiring Service Provider | 21. Agri Input Dealer |
| 10. Tractor Mechanic | 22. Agri Commodity Fumigation Operator |
| 11. Gardener cum Nursery Raiser | 23. Agri Warehouse Supervisor |
| 12. Agri Research Analyst | 24. Plant Tissue Culture Technician |

States Engagements....

Madhya Pradesh

ASCI signed a MoU with Madhya Pradesh State Skill Development Mission (MPSSDM) for skill development in Agriculture & Allied sector on 1st Jun, 2017 in Bhopal in presence of Mr. Deepak Joshi, Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) Department of Technical Education & Skill Development, Govt. of MP, Mrs. Kalpana Shrivastava, Principal Secretary Technical Education & Skill Development, Govt. of MP and other dignitaries from Govt. and Industry. This MoU would 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.

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's 14 affiliated Training Partners in different regions of the state including Green College viz. Ramakrishna Mission are dedicated for skill development in 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. In coming days two other agricultural universities in the state viz. Bidhan Chandra Krishi Vishwavidyalaya and Uttar Banga Krishi Vishwavidyalaya are formalizing this relationship with ASCI.

Odisha

RPL for Nursery Workers and Mushroom Growers for 5000 participants is being implemented through Orissa University of Agriculture & Technology (OUAT) in collaboration with Odisha Skill Development Authority (OSDA) and Dept. of Technical Education & Training, Govt. of Odisha. ASCI successfully conducted ToT as well as ToA for this Program. The RPL of 1st two batches for Mushroom Grower & Nursery Worker job roles completed and successful candidates received RPL certificates from Hon'ble Chief Minister Mr. Naveen Pattanaik.



Maharashtra

ASCI signed a MoU with Maharashtra State Skill Development Society (MSSDS), Govt. of Maharashtra for NSQF based skill development training, assessment & certification under different schemes of state government including state component of PMKVY. In Maharashtra, Agriculture got introduced in 24 new schools besides 228 schools where Agriculture is being imparted as a part of the Multi Skill Program.

Goa

ASCI has signed MoU with Govt. of Goa for skill development training in agriculture at school level under Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA). To begin with 7 schools have been allocated to ASCI in which assessment has been done for students of

Jharkhand

ASCI signed a MoU with Jharkhand Skill Development Mission Society (JSDMS). ASCI has affiliated 14 Training Partners in different regions of the state including Green Colleges viz. Krishi Gram Vikas Kendra (KGVK) & are working actively for skill development. Jharkhand has a huge tribal population and to this segment ASCI has developed few specific job roles like Lac Cultivation, Sericulture, Non-Timber Forest Products Collectors, and Forest Nursery Raiser etc. Kaushal Melas viz Deoghar Kaushal Mela are being organized in the state to encourage different section of the society about skill development in the field of agriculture.

Rajasthan

In Rajasthan, ASCI has been allocated 49 schools for skill development training in agriculture. Training of Trainers has been completed and training of students has commenced.

Scaling of Assessors (ToA) Programs

Agriculture SSC conducted ToA Programs for 240 Assessors of 8 different Assessment Agencies. The objective of ToA was orientation and alignment of Assessors with NSQF/NOS and skill ecosystem as a whole, development of pedagogical skills, sharing of best practices and assessment criterions engaged in skill assessment and through orientation on domain and platform skills involved in Skill Ecosystem.

- 1. ToA, Delhi:** ToA (Final Phase) for the Assessors from Northern and Central Region from 28th Feb- 1st Mar, 2017. The program was attended by 33 Assessors.
- 2. ToA, Bhubaneswar:** ToA (Final Phase) for the Assessors from Eastern Region was conducted from 18th- 19th Mar, 2017. The program was attended by 55 Assessors.
- 3. ToA Patna:** ToA (Final Phase) for the Assessors from Eastern Region was organised from 25th- 26th Mar, 2017. A total of 44 Assessors from Bihar and Jharkhand attended the program.
- 4. ToA Chennai:** ToA (Final Phase) for the Assessors from Southern Region viz. Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Karnataka organized from 25th- 26th Mar, 2017. A total of 108 Assessors attended this program from all the four states which was **single biggest ToA by any SSC.**
- 5. ToA, Lucknow:** ToA (Final Phase) for the Assessors from Central Region was conducted from 27th- 28th May, 2017. The program was attended by 58 Assessors. Skill Express was involved in ToA assessment.



ASCI scales up ToT Programs



- ✦ **Prabhat Dairy, Ahmednagar:** Dairy Farmer /Entrepreneur job role from 9th- 11th Mar, 2017 at Prabhat Dairy, Ahmednagar. A total of 33 participants attended the program
- ✦ **GBPUAT, Pantnagar:** Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK) Trainers at GBPUAT, Pantnagar from 6th- 8th Jan, 2017. A total of 51 participants attended the program. It covered 12 Job roles.
- ✦ **Central Cattle Breeding Farm, Bengaluru:** Dairy Farmer/Entrepreneur job role from 17th- 19th Jan, 2017 at CCBF, Bengaluru. A total of 34 participants attended the program.
- ✦ **IMAGE, Bhubaneswar:** Five Job Roles covered from 19th- 21st Jan, 2017. A total of 87 participants attended the program covering 5 Job roles.
- ✦ **OUAT, Bhubaneswar:** 20th- 22nd Jan, 2017 at OUAT, Bhubaneswar. A total of 32 participants attended the program.
- ✦ **Vishweshwaraiah Canal (V.C) Farm, Mandya:** TOT program for Dairy Farmer/Entrepreneur job role from 27th- 29th Jan, 2017 at Vishweshwaraiah Canal (V.C) Farm, Mandya, Karnataka. A total of 19 participants attended the program.
- ✦ **PJTSAU, Hyderabad:** Micro Irrigation Technician job role from 23rd- 25th Jan, 2017 at PJTSAU, Hyderabad. A total of 16 participants attended the program.
- ✦ **ASAP- Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala:** The program for ASAP from 23rd- 25th Feb, 2017. A total of 64 participants attended the program.
- ✦ **PAU, Ludhiana:** At PAU from 6th- 8th Mar, 2017. A total of 71 participants attended the program covering 6 Job roles.
- ✦ **Rainforest Resort, Jalpaiguri:** Tea Plantation Worker job role from 28th- 30th Mar, 2017 at Rainforest Resort, Jalpaiguri. A total of 7 participants attended the program.
- ✦ **BAU, Sabour :** 16 Job Roles at BAU, Sabour from 24th Apr- 3rd May, 2017 which was **single biggest ToT by any SSC** in the field of skill development which saw participation of 267 trainers.



ToT at Bihar Agri, University, Sabour for 267 Trainers

- ✦ **Bundi, Rajsthan:** Pulse Cultivator Job Role at Bundi, Rajsthan from 3rd - 5th Apr, 2017. A total of 19 trainers participated.
- ✦ **PNB FTC, Nimraana, Rajasthan :** Soyabean Cultivator Job Role at PNB FTC, Nimraana, Rajasthan from 19th- 28th Jun, 2017. A total of 14 trainers participated the Program.

Outreach

Gramodaya Mela at DRI (24th - 27th Feb, 2017), Chitrakoot

ASCI participated in Gramodaya Mela organized at Deendayal Research Institute, Chitrakoot. ASCI showcased the importance of Agriculture in UP & MP & focused on selected segments & showcased working models like Micro Irrigation, Hydroponics, Greenhouse/ Polyhouse & Horticulture etc. This Gramodaya Mela saw the participation from companies, Govt. bodies & other Sector Skill Councils. Hon'ble Minister Mr. Rajiv Pratap Rudy & Mr. Mohan Bhagwat with other state ministers visited Agriculture SSC's stall and appreciated the initiatives and stall.



Skill Exhibition & Job Mela (13th - 19th Apr, 2017), Motihari

ASCI participated in Skill Exhibition at Zila School, Motihari from 13th - 19th Apr, 2017. ASCI organized series of Skill Competition in Floristry Skills to identify hidden talent and skills among young girls and boys of Champaran, Motihari, and Bihar as part of the Centenary Celebration of Mahatma Gandhi ji's Satyagrah Movement

Global Skill & Employment Partnership Summit 2017, Bhopal

ASCI participated in Global Skill & Employment Partnership Summit 2017 organized by Madhya Pradesh Rojgar Nirman Board (MPRNB), Govt. of MP on 1st June 2017 at Bhopal to provide a forum for developing productive and healthy relationships between MPRNB and various Government departments of Madhya Pradesh, Corporate Sector, Trade Associations, Industry, Training Partners, Educational Institutions and Youth as well as to develop an ecosystem for generating employment and entrepreneurship opportunities throughout the state.

During the occasion ASCI put up a stall to show case the initiatives under Skill India Mission and modern technology based job roles in agriculture such as Hydroponics Technician, Solar Pump Technician, Micro Irrigation Technician, Service and Maintenance Technician-Farm Machinery.



Rozgar Melas... A new initiative

ASCI actively took part in placement related events such as Rozgar Melas organized by NSDC and MSDE from time to time. ASCI has partnered with good number of Agricultural companies and associations and their response towards Rozgar Melas is well evident from the number of recruitments done.

Deoghar Rozgar Mela (4th - 5th Apr, 2017):

Deoghar Rozgar Mela was organized by NSDC in Deoghar District of Jharkhand. ASCI actively participated in Deoghar Rozgar Mela with 2 of employment partners- Nilamallai Agro Industries and Shivshakti Biotechnologies Limited. The partners selected total of 91 candidates in placement drive.

Motihari Rozgar Mela (18th - 19th Apr, 2017):

Motihari Rozgar Mela was organized by NSDC in Motihari, Bihar to promote Skill Development activities and schemes amongst the youth and provide them with good career opportunities. The two companies that ASCI supported for the Mela were Shivshakti Biotech Limited and Navbharat Bioplantech limited. Both the companies collectively recruited around 65 candidates from the Rozgar Mela.

Board of Governing Council (GC) Meeting

GC Meeting on 21st Mar, 2017: 16th Meeting of the Board of Governing Council of ASCI was held on Tuesday, March 21st, 2017. Members were apprised about the Affiliation of PNBFWT to NSQF aligned training in RPL, Signing of MoU with Maharashtra State Skill Development Mission (MSSDS), Govt. of Goa, 9 new Agriculture & Veterinary Universities, 3 Army Regimental Centres. GC Members were also apprised about conducting the ToT program within a short span of 3 months covering 27 different Job Roles and 556 Trainers. The board appreciated the efforts & progress of ASCI.



GC Meeting on 18th July 2017: 17th Meeting of the Board of Governing Council of ASCI was held on Tuesday, July 18th, 2017. The Governing Council members were apprised about the new initiatives and collaborations, such as Skilling under RKVY Program, Initiation of ASCI collaboration with Ministry of Science & Technology (CSIR-NIO Goa), Signing of MoU with Madhya Pradesh State Skill Development Mission (MSSDS). Other developments viz. signing of 7 new MoUs with Agriculture & Veterinary Universities, 19 Trainee Handbooks and Translation of Handbooks in Hindi, 13 ToT programs covering 18 different Job Roles and 556 Trainers, Participation of ASCI in Rozgar Melas, Training of 210 Assessors were also shared with the board of GC.

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