

Directorate General of Training (DGT) launches Bharatskills Forum, a digital knowledge-sharing platform for the ITIs' trainees, trainers and industry

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A new feature called the Bharatskills Forum has been added to the Bharatskills learning platform developed by DGT that allows sharing of books, notes, videos, question bank, etc., and other relevant skill-related content for learners. This facility shall act as a digital warehouse for the skilling community by allowing sharing of contents in various forms like handwritten trainers' or trainees' notes, PDFs, scanned copies, or recorded videos in any language.

The Directorate General of Training (DGT) in the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is the apex organisation for development and coordination at national level for the programmes relating to vocational training. DGT in Oct 2019 had launched an online learning platform called the Bharatskills (<https://bharatskills.gov.in>), a Central Digital Repository for the trainees and trainers of the ITI ecosystem, providing easy access to updated curriculum, e-books, Question Banks, mock/practice papers, learning videos, etc., for courses under the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS), Craft Instructor Training Scheme (CITS) and the Apprenticeship Training Scheme (ATS), thus enabling anytime, anywhere learning outside the classrooms. This platform presents unique access to a centralized, scalable, and thriving support ecosystem through its industrial partners for the students and teachers who can now learn the new age (Industrial Revolution 4.0) skills to meet the demands of the industry.

The usage of Bharatskills learning platform has increased multi-fold from around 90,000 users in March 2020 to more than 48 Lakh unique users having accessed the portal and over 1.75 crores hits as of date.



The Bharatskills Forum (<https://bskillforum.bharatskills.gov.in/>) was launched today by Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari, Secretary, MSDE in the presence of Ms. Trishaljit Sethi, Director General/ AS, DGT. On the occasion, Shri Atul Kumar Tiwari while sharing his views said that the learning platform of Bharatskills has now opened a two-way, unique facility for the trainers, trainees and those interested in skill training, for sharing relevant content within the skill community. We can say that the Bharatskills Forum is for the Skill Community and at the same time, by the Skill Community, he added.

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