

PM Vishwakarma.

PM Vishwakarma is a new scheme and envisages to provide end-to-end holistic support to the traditional artisans and craftspeople in scaling up of their conventional products and services. The objectives of the scheme are as given below:

Scheme Objectives :

- To enable the recognition of artisans and craftspeople as Vishwakarma making them eligible to avail all the benefits under the Scheme.
- To provide skill upgradation to hone their skills and make relevant and suitable training opportunities available to them.
- To provide support for better and modern tools to enhance their capability, productivity, and quality of products.
- To provide the intended beneficiaries an easy access to collateral free credit and reduce the cost of credit by providing interest subvention.
- To provide incentives for digital transaction to encourage the digital empowerment of these Vishwakarmas.
- To provide a platform for brand promotion and market linkages to help them access new opportunities for growth.

Eligibility Criteria:

- An artisan or craftsperson working with hands and tools and engaged in one of the 18 family-based traditional trades mentioned in the scheme, in unorganized sector on self-employment basis, shall be eligible for registration under PM Vishwakarma.
- The minimum age of the beneficiary should be 18 years on the date of registration.
- The beneficiary should be engaged in the concerned trade on the date of registration and should not have availed loans under similar credit-based schemes of Central Government or State Government for self-employment/ business development, e.g. PMEGP, PM SVANidhi, Mudra, in the past 5 years.
- The registration and benefits under the Scheme shall be restricted to one member of the family. For availing benefits under the Scheme, a 'family' is defined as consisting of the husband, wife and unmarried children.
- A person in government service and their family members shall not be eligible under the Scheme.

Leather Based Trade under PM Vishwakarma Yojana

Cobbler (Charmakar) / Shoemsmith/ Footwear Artisan

Scheme benefits:

1. Recognition: Recognition as Vishwakarma through Certificate and ID Card.
2. Skilling:
 - a. Skill Verification followed by 5-7 days (40 hours) Basic Training.

- b. Interested candidates can also enroll for 15 days (120 hours) Advanced Training
- c. Training Stipend: Rs 500 per day
- 3. Toolkit Incentive:Rs 15,000 grant.
- 4. Credit Support:
 - a. Collateral free Enterprise Development Loans: Rs 1 lakh (First Tranche for 18 months repayment) & Rs 2 lakh (Second Tranche for 30 months repayment)
 - b. Concessional Rate of Interest: 5% to be charged from the beneficiary with Interest Subvention cap of 8% to be paid by Ministry of Medium Small and Micro Enterprises (MSME)
 - c. Credit Guarantee fees to be borne by Gol
- 5. Incentive for Digital Transactions: Re 1 per transaction for a maximum up to 100 transactions (monthly)
- 6. Marketing Support: National Committee for Marketing (NCM) will provide services such as Quality Certification, Branding & Promotion, E-commerce linkage, Trade Fairs advertising, publicity and other marketing activities.

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Empowering Skill Development through Quality Training and Assessment

At the Leather Sector Skill Council (LSSC), we believe that high-quality training begins with well-trained educators and assessors. Our Training of Trainers (ToT) and Training of Assessors (ToA) programs are designed to strengthen the skill ecosystem by developing a cadre of competent, certified professionals who can deliver industry-aligned training and conduct objective assessments.

Training of Trainers (ToT)

Our ToT program equips industry professionals and aspiring trainers with the necessary pedagogical skills, domain expertise, and practical tools to train the next generation of skilled workforce in the leather, footwear, and allied sectors.

Key Features:

- Domain-specific modules aligned to NSQF job roles
- Adult learning principles and interactive training methodologies
- Classroom management and effective communication
- Hands-on practice and mock sessions
- Assessment and certification as per NSDC/LSSC standards

Training of Assessors (ToA)

The ToA program is designed to build the capacity of assessors in conducting fair, transparent, and standardized assessments of candidates across LSSC-aligned job roles. Assessors are trained to evaluate practical skills, theoretical knowledge, and workplace readiness.

Key Features:

- Standardized assessment protocols and evaluation tools
- Bias-free and ethical assessment practices
- Familiarity with job role-specific Performance Criteria (PCs)
- Use of digital tools for assessment reporting (SCALE India platform)
- Certification by Sector Skill Council and NCVET-approved agencies

Why ToT and ToA Matter

- Ensure quality and consistency in skill training delivery
- Bridge the gap between industry expectations and training outcomes
- Support state and central skilling schemes such as PMKVY, PM Vishwakarma, and NAPS
- Promote inclusivity and innovation in vocational education

Become a Certified Trainer or Assessor with LSSC

Join our growing network of certified trainers and assessors committed to building a future-ready workforce. Regular batches of ToT and ToA programs are conducted across India through accredited training partners and institutions.

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Click here for ToT and ToA process Note.