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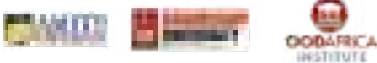
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FROM THE DESK OF CEO



Dear all,

I take privilege to convey my greetings to all the members of Governing Board of SCMS, my fellow colleagues, officials of MSDE, NSDC & NVCET, Ministry of Mines, Chairperson(s) of District Mineral Foundation Trusts, my Co- CEOs of other skilling councils, our industry partners, training & assessment agencies, and all other stakeholders.

Through this in-house magazine, I would like to share a couple of highlights during last quarter (Q1): -

I am pleased to inform that SCMS has entered an MoU with the Singrauli District Administration and Govt. ITI, Singrauli, Madhya Pradesh on 4th May 2023 for the execution of the SANKALP (Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion) Scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, GoI. Under this MoU, 510 local unemployed candidates of the Singrauli district shall be trained and certified in job roles like Dumper/Tipper Operator, Mine Mechanic/Fitter, HEMM Mechanic, Mine Electrician, and Mine Welder.

Another feather in the SCMS's cap is signing an MOU with Vivekanand Polytechnic Sitasaongi, Bhandara (Maharashtra) on 9th May, 2023 to align mining related -NSQF job roles for diploma mining students.

Members would appreciate that the MOIL-CSR sponsored training for a special batch of 30 female candidates for the job role "Rig Mounted Drill Operator" which was commenced on 3rd Jan 2023 has also been successfully completed in April 2023 wherein all the trainees are certified. Currently they are undergoing apprenticeship training at Awarpur Cement Works, Maharashtra, Hirni Cement Works & Rawan Cement Works, Chhattisgarh.

On the training front, SCMS has certified 938 candidates under STT & RPL and happy to share that we have active galaxy of 66 Trainers & 18 Master Trainers with 201 certifications and 38 Assessors & 19 Master Assessors with 181 certifications.

I had a privilege to attend Odisha Skill Conclave held in Bhubaneswar from 20-22 April 2023 where in as a part of co-panelists, during the "Focused Group Discussions- a special session with select sector skill councils to highlight on the importance, requirement, and relevance of SSCs in today's skilling ecosystem" I shared my thoughts. There were a few more CEOs from other sector skill councils and our joint session was well received by the audience.

On behalf of team SCMS, I would like to express our gratitude and thanks to all our members, partners & stakeholders for holding trust on the affairs of SCMS, and look forward for continued patronage, guidance, and support in the future as well.

Regards,
Sanjay Sharma

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Odisha Skill Conclave

On 22nd April, 2023, Mr. Sanjay Sharma, CEO attended “Focused Group Discussions- a special session with selected sector skill councils organized through FICCI to highlight on the importance, requirement, and relevance of SSCs in today’s skilling ecosystem “, during Odisha Skill Conclave held in Bhubaneswar from 20-22 April 2023. The session was innovatively moderated by Ms. Kiriti Seth, CEO, IT-ITeS SSC who made the session lively & interactive. Other co panelists were Dr. Rupak Vasishta, CEO & DG, Apparel-Made ups & Home furnishing SSC, Mr Arindam Lahiri, CEO Automotive Skill Development Council, Ms Jancy Mathew, COO, Construction Skill Development Council of India, Brig Yogesh Kapoor, VSM (Retd), DG-Water Management & Plumbing Skill Council, and Prof. (Dr.) GK Chaukiyal, Head of Academics, Rajeev Gandhi National Aviation University. Courtesy meeting was also held with Mr. Subroto Bagchi, Chairman, OSDA, Govt of Odisha, Ms Usha Padhi, (IAS) and Principal Secretary, Skill Development & Technical Education, Govt of Odisha, Mr. Reghu G (IAS), CEO, ODSA.



Mr. Sanjay Sharma, CEO-SCMS sharing his thoughts on skilling in mining.

MoU with District Administration and Govt. ITI, Singrauli

SCMS signed MoU with the Singrauli District Administration and Govt. ITI, Singrauli, Madhya Pradesh on 4th May, 2023 in an online mode for the execution of the SANKALP (Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion) Scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, GoI. The MoU signing was attended by Mr. C L Katare, Principal, Mr. O P Vaishya, Govt. ITI, Singrauli, Mr. Sushil Singh Chauhan, MGNF (IIM-A), Mr. Sanjay Sharma, CEO-SCMS and Mr. Navneet Kumar, Head - Business Development and Operations, SCMS, New Delhi.

“SANKALP” is a program of the Ministry of Skill Development with loan assistance from the World Bank. It aims to improve short term skill training qualitatively and quantitatively through



strengthening institutions, bringing in better market connectivity, and inclusion of marginalized sections of society. SANKALP was launched on 19th January, 2018. "SANKALP has three key result areas namely (i) Institutional Strengthening at Central, State and District level; (ii) Quality Assurance of skill development programs; and (iii) Inclusion of marginalized population in skill development programs." Under this MoU, 510 local unemployed candidates of the Singrauli district shall be trained and certified in job roles like Dumper/Tipper Operator, Mine Mechanic/Fitter, HEMM Mechanic, Mine Electrician, and Mine Welder.

MOU with Vivekanand Polytechnic

SCMS signed an MOU with Vivekanand Polytechnic Sitasaongi, Bhandara (Maharashtra) on 9th May 2023 to align mining related -NSQF job roles for diploma mining students. During the ceremony Mr. Kamlesh S. Daharwal, President-VSE Sitasaongi, Mr. Madhukarji, Mr. Irshad Ansari, Principal, Mr. Prabhakar S. Deshpande -consultant Skill development, Triveni Engg., Mr. Rajesh Thakur and Mr. Ashish were present. Mr. Sudarshan accompanied the CEO during the process. Later, a meeting was also organized with Mr. Girishji Vyas, Ex-MLC, Nagpur who assured for extending his support in skilling initiatives and organizing meeting with Distt Collector in channelizing DM Funds for skilling & placement in mining belt.



MoU signing between SCMS & Vivekanand Polytechnic

39th Meeting of the Governing Board of Skill Council for Mining Sector

The 39th meeting of the Governing Board of Skill Council for Mining Sector was held on 19th May, 2023 at FIMI House, New Delhi which was chaired by Mr. Pankaj Kumar Satija, Managing Director, Tata Steel Mining Ltd & Chairman-SCMS.



GB meeting in progress

Webinar on “Digital Technologies: Indian Mining Stories”

Skill Council for Mining Sector organized a webinar on “Digital Technologies: Indian Mining Stories” dated 27th June, 2023, which embarked on how digital technologies have fostered Indian mining industries to become successful in terms of safety and Optimum Production with real-time success stories. A stalwart of digital technologies Dr. Dheeraj Kumar, Dy Director and renowned professor of IIT (ISM) Dhanbad who is also Project Director for TEXMiN and governing board member of SCMS was the key speaker. There were 280+ registrations across the industry and academia Like Tata Steel Mining, Hindalco, JSW, CIL, NTPC, Adani Mining, Birla Corporation, Sangam University, BIT Sindri and AKS University however on the date of event 70+ attendees actively participated. The webinar concluded with Q&A session. This event was planned and coordinated by Mr Sudarshan, Head Placement & Industry Interaction.



Dr. Dheeraj Kumar, taking session on Digital Technologies in Indian mining

12th India Minerals and Metals Forum

Mr. Pankaj Kumar Satija, Managing Director, Tata Steel Mining Ltd, Chairman-SCMS & Co-Chair of the ICC National Expert Committee on Minerals and Metals, delivered a speech at the 12th India Minerals and Metals Forum organised by Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC) on 4th July, 2023.



Mr. Pankaj Kumar Satija, delivering a speech at the event.

NCL's first Woman Mining Engineer

As gathered from the social media platform, Skill Council is happy to learn that Miss Pramila has become the first woman mining engineer engaged at NCL's Jayant opencast mines, Singrauli from 26th June, 2023.

A Native of Bhilai, Chhattisgarh, Pramila has completed her engineering in Mining Discipline from NIT, Raipur and she considers Mining as an ever-growing challenging field. She is inspired due to recent women friendly regulatory changes introduced by the Government of India in the mining sector and wishes that more women will be joining Mining Sector.



SCMS extend best wishes & congratulations to Ms. Pramila to enter into Mining World and also express gratitude to NCL management for such a drive.

MINING & EXPLORATION

India's coal production grows 7.10% to 76.26 million tonne in May

Domestic coal production was 7.10 per cent higher year-on-year at 76.26 million tonne (MT) in May. India had produced 71.21 MT coal during the same month in 2022, the coal ministry said in a statement. "Ministry of Coal has achieved a remarkable feat with a substantial surge in overall coal production during May 23, reaching 76.26 MT surpassing May 22 of 71.21 MT, representing an increase of 7.10 per cent," it said.

The cumulative coal production in April-May FY24 jumped to 149.41 MT from 138.41 MT in the year-ago period. Last month, Coal India Ltd (CIL) alone produced 59.94 MT coal, up 9.54 per cent over 54.72 MT in May 2022. With an increased first-mile connectivity infrastructure, coal dispatch last month grew 5.70 per cent to 82.22 MT from 77.79 MT in May 2022. First-mile connectivity refers to the transportation of coal from pitheads to dispatch points.

The cumulative coal dispatch in April-May FY24 stood at 162.44 MT as against 149.76 MT in the year-ago period. This upturn in offtake has resulted in a comfortable coal stock position, guaranteeing reliable and abundant supply of coal lying at pithead coal stock at CIL, SCCL, stock at TPP(DCB) etc, the ministry said. The total coal stock as of May 31, 2023 is 112.41 MT as compared to 82.97 MT on May 31, 2022, a growth of 35.48 per cent. The coal stock position has strengthened the capability to tackle unforeseen fluctuations in energy demand and ensures meeting the energy demands of the nation. The availability of coal rakes for coal transportation has remained consistently good throughout this period due to the initiative taken by the ministry to augment rail connectivity infrastructure under PM Gati Shakti.

(The Indian Express, New Delhi – 2 June, 2023)

Coal Sector fully prepared to Meet Growing Domestic Demand- Minister Pralhad Joshi

Union Minister of Coal, Mines & Parliamentary Affairs Shri Pralhad Joshi assured the country that even during the coming monsoon season there will be no shortage of coal. India's coal sector is fully prepared to meet the enhanced domestic demand of our fast growing economy, he stated.

Addressing a high level Conference & Exhibition on the theme "Underground Coal Mining – Way Forward for Sustainable Energy Security", organized by Coal India Limited (CIL), Ministry of Coal, Shri Pralhad Joshi urged CIL to emerge as coal exporter in the next 2-3 years. The Minister Complemented Coal India Limited and its subsidiaries for achieving record coal production and said that sustainable mining needs to be ensured while working towards Aatmanirbhar India in coal sector. Shri Joshi urged to ensure safety in coal mines with utmost priority while focusing on stepped up production.

Even as the world economy is going through a slowdown, India has emerged as a bright spot as one of the fastest growing economies globally, the Minister pointed out. Shri Joshi further stated that internationally India's credibility has increased substantially in the recent years and the country has emerged as world's factory. He called upon the coal sector to devise suitable action plans to meet the growing energy requirements of the country in coming years. The Minister appreciated the new initiatives and reforms undertaken by the Coal Ministry to enhance commercial coal mining. 87 coal blocks have been successfully auctioned under commercial auction and some of them have already started production, he said.

(Press Information Bureau, New Delhi – 6 June, 2023)

Coal imports not needed from next fiscal: Pralhad Joshi

India will not need to import thermal coal from the next financial year owing to ample domestic availability, coal and mines minister Pralhad Joshi said on 7th June, 2023. "There is no shortage of coal in the country and there will be no need to import thermal coal from fiscal 2024-25," Joshi told ET on the sidelines of a press conference to mark major achievements of his ministries.

The minister also said that India aims to auction 500 mineral blocks by 2025-26. "We have made changes to the mining regime to encourage more auctions," he said. According to Joshi, India will close the current financial year with 880 million metric tonnes of coal production, 14% higher than the last fiscal.

India is the second largest importer of the fuel despite having the fourth largest coal reserves in the world, according to official estimates. Though coal imports saw a decline in 2020-21 and 2021-22, a fifth of the country's annual coal requirement is being met through imported fuel. "We are also supporting a pilot project of small scale to demonstrate financial and technological aspects," said M Nagaraju, additional secretary, coal ministry. "We are ready for another peak power demand. Currently we have 116 million metric tonnes of coal with the public sector undertakings and with the thermal power plants, which is 29% higher than last year," Joshi said.

(The Economic Times, New Delhi – 8 June, 2023)

GENERAL

IIT ISM Dhanbad launches skill development programme for youth

On 17th April, 2023, IIT Indian School of Mines (ISM) Dhanbad launched three-month long skill development programme for the role of assistant mine surveyor course wherein around 300 local youths will be trained.

Dhanbad MP PN Singh while addressing the function as chief guest said that skill development not only helps in increasing the efficiency of workers but also averts accidents in different sectors including mining. Singh said unskilled displaced people from mining projects get jobs in mining companies in lieu of their land. If they possess the required skills in their relevant field of work they would do better, he added. He lauded the effort of IIT ISM for providing skill development training not only to the wage earners of the institution but also to other unemployed young people in order to enhance their skills.

IIT ISM director Prof Rajiv Shekhar while addressing the programme through online mode claimed that IIT ISM became the first institution in the country which has launched skill development training under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna (PMKVY 4.0).

IIT ISM deputy director Prof Dhiraj Kumar on the occasion shed light on the background of the training programme and said that on the directive of the ministry of skill development, skill-enhancing training is being given to 300 unskilled persons. "Besides experts of IIT ISM, retired surveyor of Bharat Coking Coal Limited and other mining companies would also impart the training," he said.

(Lagatar24, Jharkhand – 17 April, 2023)

Tech skills shortage an existential threat to the global mining industry

In a presentation on the findings in the report on June 7, PwC Africa energy, utilities and resources partner Vuyiswa Khutlang said mining companies needed to attract more workers, particularly those with technological skills, to achieve their strategic objectives. Unfortunately, however, many potential skilled workers do not see the industry as attractive. She said the top 40 mining companies surveyed needed to rethink their workforce strategies to appeal to a wider group of employees.

According to the report, attracting the industry's next generation of talent requires a focus on the industry's "skills of the future", which are in artificial intelligence, robotics, automation and data analytics. In a survey by the Mining Industry Human Resources Council of Canada, 70% of 15- to 30-year-olds said they would not consider a career in mining – the highest proportion of all industries. PwC's Mine report showed that up to two-thirds of mining CEOs believed skill shortages would have either a large or a very large impact on profitability in the next ten years.

According to a study from the World Economic Forum, 73% of mining companies see local skills gaps as the biggest barrier to adopting new technology, which would not replace the need for humans in mining but would lead to the industry becoming more transparent, with improved efficiencies, safety and carbon footprints. For example, the number of autonomous haul trucks in operation globally grew by 39% in the year to May 2022, from 769 to 1 068.

"To meet the demand for these skill sets, leaders must look beyond the traditional mining talent pool and retrain existing workers," Khutlang noted. With regard to targeting technology skills, the PwC report says that attracting the talent needed at tech-enabled mining sites will require several new approaches. First, there will be a need to invest in education at both an on-site and community level to attract and retain talent who can be trained, reskilled or transferred.

Second, mining companies should collaborate more with governments, industry and peers on policy advocacy for issues such as the migration of skilled workers and support for remote mining communities to attract talent and fulfill workforce requirements. Third, investment in communications is key to highlighting the industry's role in the energy transition and its use of technology to change the way miners mine, which could help address the perception of mining as environmentally harmful, physically demanding, hazardous and remote.

"As it is, though, some workers lack confidence that even their current employers are training them in the use of technology," Khutlang said. In PwC's Global Workforce Hopes and Fears Survey of 2022, 38% of workers at metals and mining companies said they were concerned about not getting sufficient training in digital and technology skills from their employer.

In addition to pushing technology skills development, the Mine report says it is important for the mining industry to drive diversity, equity and inclusion. PwC says a diverse and inclusive culture is critical for attracting talent, as inclusive companies benefit from diversity of experience and diversity of thinking, which are two valuable qualities in an industry undergoing change. In the mining industry, however, the survey found that diversity is still lacking across a wide range of workforce characteristics.

Khutlang said it was necessary for mining companies to understand the state of diversity, equity and inclusion in their businesses by gathering data and creating transparency with stakeholders. "Embrace technology to remove barriers brought about by the remote location of many mine sites and allow a more accessible working environment," she said. The PwC report recommends building a strategy that highlights diversity and inclusion as a priority and embeds it throughout the organisation. Moreover, effort should be made to generate buy-in from leaders throughout the business to ensure that the tone at the top is aligned with the stated purpose, Khutlang said.

(Mining Weekly, Johannesburg – 7 June, 2023)

FLASHES FROM OVERSEAS

US, India launch working group on education and skill development

India and the United States have launched a working group on education and skill development which is expected to give a big boost to people-to-people relationship. Held in a hybrid format, the first meeting of the US-India Education and Skills Development Working Group was hosted by the State Department's Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of South and Central Asia, Donald Lu, here along with the Ministry of Education's Joint Secretary of International Cooperation, Neeta Prasad in New Delhi. The working group exchanged perspectives on skill development and vocational education, certification and recognition, partnerships between US and Indian higher educational institutions, and engaging with the private sector.

Participants also discussed ways to further expand the educational linkages and collaborate on the promotion of the workforce development, an official US release said. Noting that student and faculty exchanges are at the heart of knowledge partnership between both the countries, the Indian side highlighted the need for expeditious visa issuance and reaffirmed their ongoing efforts on this issue.

During the meeting, Lu stressed the importance of these educational connections to our shared economic prosperity and said the US and India enjoy strong people-to-people ties in large part due to the numerous Indian students and faculty in the United States, and the growing network of educational exchanges. The establishment of the India-US Working Group on Education and Skill Development was announced by the two countries on the sidelines of the 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue held in Washington DC last year.

The launch focused on skilling and vocational education, certification and recognition, matchmaking between the US and Indian higher educational institutions, and engaging with the private sector to strengthen the organic synergies that exist mutually. During the meeting, the two delegations emphasised the significance of certification and recognition mechanisms in ensuring quality and portability of skills across borders. The Indian side explained the importance of mutual recognition of academic qualifications and skill certifications which is essential for smooth mobility of students and professionals between the two countries. Recognising the potential for collaboration in the field of higher education, the delegations discussed the importance of matchmaking between higher educational institutions of India and the US, a media release said.

Officials also acknowledged the benefits of promoting student and faculty exchanges, joint research programs, and collaborative projects between universities and colleges of both countries. They agreed to encourage and facilitate such partnerships to foster academic and cultural exchange, enhance educational quality, and promote innovation and knowledge-sharing. Both sides agreed to encourage greater inter-linkages amongst the educational institutions. The Indian side proposed that developing joint/dual and twinning courses in areas of mutual interest could be explored, the Indian release added.

India is looking to mine oceans, which will unlock huge opportunities and new areas of operations for Indian industries, mines secretary Vivek Bharadwaj said. Speaking at a conference on the sidelines of the silver jubilee edition of the International Engineering & Technology Fair 2023, the mines secretary said that the government is amending the Offshore Areas Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, which is open for comments from the industry.

“We need to increase domestic exploration and we have enlisted 13 private exploration companies as the opportunities are immense. We also need to look at acquiring foreign assets. We sent a team to Argentina to identify mines for investments and we have two lithium mines and one copper mine there. Within the

coming period, we will shortlist projects to invest, which will be open to the private sector," Bhardwaj said. He also urged the industry to get into organized recycling to make India the recycling hub of the world.

Talking about the opportunities and possibilities in metals and mining industry, he said that the government has proposed amendments in the MMDR Act to encourage junior miners. Koushik Chatterjee, chairman, Metal & Metallurgy Expo 2023 and executive director and Group CFO, Tata Steel Ltd said metals and metallurgy sector is the foundation of India's economic growth and underlined the need to develop a sustainable metals and metallurgy Industry, which is aligned with India's Sustainable Development and Net-Zero goals.

Gajendra Panwar, MD, Danieli India Ltd said that the industry should build modern steel plants capable of delivering premium quality steel to become globally competitive. Noting that India needs to become carbon neutral, he said that green hydrogen is a great option to bring down greenhouse gases emissions. "But, until it is available and affordable, we must look for other technologies to use natural gases to bring down carbon emissions," he added.

Sunil Duggal, chairman CII National Committee on Mining and Group CEO, Vedanta Ltd said that the enormous potential of the mining and metallurgy sector needs to be unlocked and added that the industry is fully committed to achieve Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision to make India Aatmanirbhar in coming years. Over 400 companies from 19 countries are displaying their latest products and technologies at the IETF. Finland is the focus country at the IETF this year.

(Business Standard, New Delhi – 23 May, 2023)

India, Singapore agree to make knowledge, skill development key pillar of strategic partnership

India and Singapore agreed to create opportunities for lifelong learning, building a future-ready workforce, and making knowledge and skill development a key pillar of strategic partnership, according to the Ministry of Education. Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan is on a three-day visit to Singapore to strengthen existing ties and to explore the possibility of widening the scope of bilateral engagement in education and skill development.

Pradhan met various key ministers of the Singapore Government and visited Spectra Secondary School on 29th May, 2023. "Pradhan had a constructive meeting with Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Singapore, Lawrence Wong on strengthening the existing cooperation between India and Singapore with a focus on deepening engagements in skill development," the ministry said in a statement.

"During the meeting, it was agreed to work together, aiming to create opportunities for lifelong learning, building a future-ready workforce, and making knowledge and skill development a key pillar of strategic partnership," it added. Later in the day, Pradhan visited Spectra Secondary School and interacted with the students as well as teachers to know more about the teaching-learning environment and pedagogy, among others.

"Pradhan had an insightful discussion with Singapore's Minister of Trade and Industry Gan Kim Yong. The ministers had fruitful conversations on strengthening our skill development and vocational training linkages through all mechanisms for creating a seamless architecture for skilling and lifelong learning. "Building on the outcomes of the G20 Future of Work workshop in Bhubaneswar, they also discussed ways in which India can leverage the expertise and knowledge of Singapore for addressing common challenges and transforming the Indian skills ecosystem," the ministry said.

It also said the education minister had the opportunity to have a greater overview of the best practices and models being followed in Singapore for the training of the workforce. "Both the ministers agreed to advance mutual priorities in skilling, create new opportunities for lifelong learning and collaborate together for the benefit of our countries as well as other emerging economies," the ministry added.

(The Economic Times, New Delhi – 29 May, 2023)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi and First Lady Jill Biden join forces to promote skill development

Education and Skill Development took center stage as Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US First Lady Jill Biden met with students in Washington DC. On the day 2 of the US-state visit, Prime Minister Modi attended a special event related to skill development and was joined by First Lady of the United States Jill Biden in Washington DC. The two met students keen to join fields like semiconductors, new technologies and more.

“Honoured that @FLOTUS @DrBiden joined us in a special event relating to skill development. Skilling is a top priority for India and we are dedicated to creating a proficient workforce that can boost enterprise and value creation,” tweeted Prime Minister Narendra Modi after the meeting.

First Lady Jill Biden acknowledged skilling is a top priority for India and US is dedicated to creating a proficient workforce that can boost enterprise and value creation.

“Mr. Prime Minister, I know that education is an issue close to your heart-just as it is for me. Your work to ensure all Indians-especially girls-have the opportunity to pursue an education and gain the skills they need for our modern workforce is so important. It’s exciting to be able to show you some of the innovative programs our schools and businesses are creating for students here,” said First Lady Jill Biden.

Stating education is a cornerstone of the bond between India and the United States-one we hope to keep building and strengthening with this visit. “If we want our economies to be strong, we need to invest in the young people who are our future. We need to ensure they have the opportunities they deserve.”

She further added that the universities of both the nations are partnering together, leading research, and creating apprenticeships and internships that span the ocean. Even students from both our countries are learning and growing alongside each other-discovering the people they want to become and building a better world, together. As US and India work side by side, the two nations can create a safer, healthier, more prosperous future for everyone.

Also, on the day 1 of his visit, Prime Minister Modi met a group of eminent US academics, New York, USA. The academics hailed from diverse fields of agriculture, marketing, engineering, health, science & technology. They discussed possibilities of enhancing research collaborations and two-way academic exchanges under India’s New Education Policy. Academics also shared perspectives and experiences from their respective areas of expertise with the Prime Minister.

(Business Today, New Delhi – 22 June, 2023)

SCMS IN ACTION

Synopsis of SCMS Certified Trainees Placement-DMFT Jajpur

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ELECTRICIAN SUPERVISOR
 (O.D. RIGGING SYSTEM)
 (O.D. RIGGING SYSTEM)
 (PREMIUM MANPOWER CONTRACTOR FOR JINDAL STAINLESS STEEL)
 Name - Subodh Kishore
 SIP ID - 2483337
 Job Role - MWO Electrician
 Residential Address - Narundi, Jajpur

Cult. Miners **JINDAL**
ASSISTANT ELECTRICIAN
MS KRISHNA ENGINEERING UNDER JINDAL STAINLESS LIMITED
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 SIP ID - 2483338
 Job Role - Mine Electrician
 Residential Address - Sukinda, Jajpur

CULT. MINERS **JINDAL**
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 SIP ID - 2483340
 Job Role - Mine Electrician
 Residential Address - Narundi, Jajpur

ASSISTANT MECHANIC
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CULT. MINERS **JINDAL**
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MS KRISHNA ENGINEERING UNDER JINDAL STAINLESS LIMITED
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 Job Role - HEMM Mechanic
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Inclusion of Diversity-A special project by MOIL

MOIL-CSR sponsored training for a special batch of 30 female candidates for the job role “Rig Mounted Drill Operator” which was commenced on 3rd Jan 2023 has been successfully completed wherein all the trainees are certified. Currently they are undergoing apprenticeship training at Awarpur Cement Works, Maharashtra, Hirni Cement Works & Rawan Cement Works, Chhattisgarh.

DMFT-Jajpur

In continuation to signing off MoU with DMFT - Jajpur (Odisha) on 15th November, 2022 the residential skilling project / Short term training (fresh candidates) for 120 candidates out of 210 targets in the trades of Mine Electrician, Mine Welder, HEMM Mechanic, Dumper/Tipper, and Excavator Operators has commenced and RPL training & certification is completed for all 1000 candidates. The major beneficiaries are regular/ contractual workforce from TATA Steel Mining, OMC, IMFA, etc.

5th edition of Conference on Women First

Ms Silky Sharma, Head-SDMS, Assessments & Certifications, attended the 5th edition of Conference on Women First with the theme Inspiring the next generation at Hotel ITC Maurya, Delhi on 11th April, 2023 organized by CII Delhi State. Ms. Sarika Minda, Chairperson, Spark Minda Foundation, chaired the conference. The conference highlighted and promoted the importance of women’s leadership in the business, to seek & identify attainable pathways and goals to strengthen the representation of women in leadership positions in India and globally. The primary objective of the Conference is to provide an interactive forum to share the latest research findings, knowledge, opinions, suggestions, and vision, build relationships with like-minded people and engage a broad spectrum of voices ranging from specific individual research presentations to panels, group discussions, storytelling, and many exciting experiences. The deliberations were made on the subject “Equal Opportunities for Women at the workplace”, “Women in manufacturing – Ecosystem”, “Women Empowerment - the way to Nation Development”. The event was attended by around 150 people and representatives from many other sector skill councils.

Skills Taxonomy workshop

Mr. Apoorv Aishwarya, Content Development Manager, SCMS attended the Skills Taxonomy workshop by National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) at Conference Hall of Electronics Sector Skills Council of India (ESSCI), Delhi on 13th April, 2023. It was led by Deepti Saxena, Vice President Strategy, NSDC. This workshop was attended by around 15 persons from Standards Team and CEOs from various Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) near Okhla region. The discussions were to brainstorm the skills taxonomy to be used to bring employers, candidates, and SSCs on uniform platform to facilitate the placements and analyze the skill gaps and skill trends. The vision is also to map the skills of the people of India with that of internationally used skill terms.

RPL Certificate Distribution

During visit to Odisha Skill Conclave in Bhubaneswar, Mr. Sanjay Sharma, CEO visited Jajpur on 21st April, 2023 where he addressed & felicitated a batch of candidates who have undergone 'Recognition of Prior Learning' certification through SCMS affiliated training partner PANTISS. During the brief event Stalin Nayak- Chairman of PANTISS, Shekhar Mani from DMFT and Mrs Shipra Kumari Baral -Sarpanch were also present who expressed their happiness, gratitude for having organized such event in their locality. Out of target of 1000 allotted by Collector & Chairperson DMFT- Jajpur, so far Skill Council for Mining Sector has trained 718 manpower/ contract workforce belonging to TSML, IMFA and, Odisha Mining Corporation Ltd and so far 659 have been certified. During the felicitation ceremony, certificates along with helmets, goggles and safety jackets were distributed to certified candidates.



Dignitaries with RPL Certified Candidates

Capacity building workshop for NCO Mapping of NSQF Aligned Qualifications

Apoorv Aishwarya, Content Development Manager, SCMS attended the capacity building workshop for NCO Mapping of NSQF Aligned Qualifications on 4th May, 2023. It was led by Dr. Sakshi from the Ministry of Labour and Employment. This workshop was attended by around 50 persons including NCVET Officials (Col. Santosh, Col. Gunjan and others) and Standards team of various Awarding Bodies. The discussions were to have uniformity in understanding and importance of NCO Codes and how it is to be mapped with the Qualification files.

FIMI's Management Committee Meeting

Federation of Indian Mineral Industries (FIMI's) Managing Committee meeting held on 26th May, 2023 at FIMI House, New Delhi. Mr. Navneet Kumar, Head-Business Development & Training Operations, SCMS on behalf of CEO attended the meeting and shared the updates on SCMS.



Mr. Navneet Kumar, SCMS sharing updates on SCMS

2nd Joint Working Group meeting between India and Bolivia

The 2nd JWG meeting between India and Bolivia under the Memorandum of Understanding for cooperation in the field of Geology and Mineral Resources was held on 9th June, 2023 through VC. The Indian Delegation was led by Dr. Veena Kumari Dermal, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Mines, and the Bolivian delegation was led by Mr. Javier Córdova, Director General Planning, Ministry of Mining and Metallurgy of the Plurinational State of Bolivia. Active participation from both sides was witnessed with a special focus on critical minerals like Lithium, copper, etc. Mr. Navneet Kumar, Head-Business Development and Operations, SCMS joined the meeting on behalf of SCMS.



Glimpse of 2nd Joint Working Group meeting between India and Bolivia

Workshop on Agile and Responsive Skill Ecosystem: The Role of Sector Skill Councils

Navneet Kumar, Head-Business Development and Operations, SCMS, and Apoorv Aishwarya, Manager, Content Development, SCMS attended the Workshop on “Agile and Responsive Skill Ecosystem: Role of Sector Skill Councils” held at the Auditorium of Kaushal Bhawan on 24th June, 2023. It was primarily led by Mr. Atul Kumar Tiwari, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, New Delhi to reflect upon the current status and understand the challenges being faced by Sector Skill Councils towards the fulfilment of the Skill India Mission.

Mr. Ved Mani Tiwari, CEO, NSDC & MD, NSDC International, emphasized that the Skill ecosystem should focus on the Income Enhancement of skilled candidates and the encouragement of Entrepreneurship. He also talked about the new initiative taken by NSDC of Skill Impact Bond to shift focus from inputs like training and certification to outcomes like job placement and retention for India’s youth. He also added that the pilot projects are being planned to be launched with SSCs to provide Fee-based skill programs on loans. He also emphasized incorporating the training materials of the corporates which are non-competitive differentiators, into the skilling ecosystem. He further shared that Time-sharing based Centre of Excellence (CoEs) are being planned.

Dr. K.K. Dwivedi, Joint Secretary, MSDE, emphasized that the Sector Skill Councils (SSCs) should focus on increasing the fee-based programs training numbers. Suggestions have been welcomed from SSCs on the Business model for the sustainability of SSCs.

It was appreciated that Mining SSC has created a Participant Handbook (PH) in the regional language (Odia).



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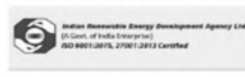
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