



World Youth Skills Day

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On the World Youth Skills Day, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) celebrated the fourth anniversary of the Skill India Mission.

- During the celebration, team for **World Skills International Competition**, to be held from 22th-28th August, 2019 in Kazan, Russia, was announced.
- **A Degree Apprenticeship Program** that will have apprenticeship/on-the-job training embedded in a 3 or 4 year University degree program, was launched. This program is designed by the MSDE and the Ministry of Human Resource and DEvelopment (MHRD).
- Announcement regarding the establishment of a new Japan India Institute for Manufacturing (JIIM) in Haryana and new courses in (Industrial Training Institutes) ITIs around **training on Electric Vehicles (EVs)**, in line with the government's intention to work for greener energy sources, was also made.

Skill India Mission

Launched in the year 2015, it is an initiative of the Government of India to empower the youth of the country with skill sets which make them more employable and more productive in their work environment.

- The United Nations, at its General Assembly in November 2014, declared 15 July as World Youth Skills Day (WYSD).
- The aim of WYSD is to advocate for skills as an important factor to improve young people's transitions to decent work, and to highlight the crucial role of skilled youth in addressing today's most challenging global issues.
- The theme for the year 2019 is "**Learning to learn for life and work**".