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Board Of Practical Training, Eastern Region, Ministry Of Education, Government Of India Commemorates Regional Apprenticeship Day

- More Than 2 Lakh Graduates Apprenticeship Training Facilities Are Vacant In Different Industries In Eastern India –

Kolkata, 2nd September, 2023: The **Board of Practical Training (Eastern Region) BOPT(ER), Kolkata**, organization under Ministry of Education, Government of India celebrated the **Regional Apprenticeship Day** in Kolkata today. BOPT(ER), Kolkata, has announced availability of more than 2 Lakh apprenticeship training facilities in different industries and establishments in Eastern Regions of India.

Shri Govind Jaiswal, IAS, Joint Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India, Prof. V.K. Tewari, Director, IIT Khagrapur, Dr. Savita Sengar, VC, Jharkhand Rai University and Shri S.M. Ejaz Ahmed, Director, Board of Practical Training (Eastern Region), Kolkata were present on the occasion.

“During this post pandemic situation, the job gain has not picked up its momentum to the extent the job loss was witnessed during the pandemic. Availability of such a large number of vacancies for apprenticeship training with more than 90% probability of getting employment based on the past years data, is a matter of serious concern for all graduates”, said **Shri S.M. Ejaz Ahmed, Director, BOPT(ER), Kolkata, Ministry of Education, Government of India.**

Mr Achint Kumar, Under Secretary, Ministry of Education, Government of India in his virtual address applauded the efforts of BOPT(ER) for mobilizing students and providing training and job opportunities to lakhs of students through National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS). For the current financial year, it is expected that 1.2 lakh graduates will join this scheme for which Govt. of India has made an allocation more than 120 crores for payment of stipend to the trainees.

“A total of 43590 fresh graduates and diploma engineers are undergoing apprenticeship training in eastern regional States. BOPT(ER) through its different initiatives such as Regional Apprenticeship Day celebration intends to mobilize graduates and diploma engineers to come forward and get their skill honed to meet the current industry demand and improve their employability. It is observed that more than 92% such apprentices are either absorbed in the same industries or secured employment in other establishments post completion of their training”, added by **Mr Ahmed.**

“BOPT(ER) is extending services by conducting of Apprenticeship-cum-Job Mela throughout the year”, said **Professor, Mr V.K. Tewari, Director, IIT-Kharagpur and Chairman, BOPT(ER).**

Celebration of Regional Apprenticeship Day is an initiative to reach maximum number of students who could be helped to secure gainful employment in today’s time of high unemployment rate.

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