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Arts/Crafts for DevelopmentDetailsThe Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Crafts for Development (USTTAD)
scheme is a program launched by the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India, in 2015. The scheme aims to preserve the rich
heritage of traditional arts and crafts of minorities and to provide employment opportunities to minority youth in these sectors. Objective
To build capacity of master craftsmen/artisans. Training of young generation through the master craftsmen/artisans for traditional
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global market. To improve employability of existing workers, school dropouts etc. To generate means of better livelihood for
marginalized minorities and bring them in the mainstream. To enable minorities to avail opportunities in the growing market. To ensure
dignity of labour. Research and development in traditional arts/crafts. The USTTAD scheme covers a wide range of traditional arts and
crafts, including:Handloom weavingCarpet weavingEmbroideryPotteryMetalworkWood carvingStone
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skills and to become trainers. They then train minority youth in the traditional arts and crafts. The scheme also provides support for the
development of market linkages for the products of the trained artisans. "i»; The USTTAD scheme is implemented through Project
Implementing Agencies (PIAs), which are non-governmental organizations (NGOs) with experience in the field of skill development and
traditional arts and crafts. The PIAs are responsible for identifying and recruiting master craftsmen and artisans, developing course
modules, and providing training to minority youth."»¿The USTTAD scheme has benefited thousands of minority youth across India. The
scheme has helped to preserve traditional arts and crafts and to provide employment opportunities to minority youth. Benefits Free
training in a traditional art or craftStipend during the training period â, 10,000/- per trainee for the non-residential programmeâ, 1
13,000/- per trainee for the residential programmeAssistance in finding employment after completing the trainingEligibilityUSTTAD
scheme Project Implementing Agencies (PIAs)Societies registered under Societies Registration Act for at least three years, with
experience of conducting traditional skill development courses with established market linkages. Private recognized/registered
professional institutions of repute conducting traditional skill development courses for at least the last three years with established
market linkages. Industry or an association of industries like ASSOCHAM, CII, FICCI etc. who are willing to run training centres as per
financial norms of the scheme with a proper plan. Institution of Central/State Governments including Universities, Public Sector
Undertakings and Training institutes of Central State Governments including Panchayati Raj Training institutions having the capacity to
conduct such training programmes and fulfill the mandatory criteria.USTTAD scheme Eligible Trainees/beneficiaries: Must belong to
minority community. 25% candidates belonging to BPL families of non-minority communities may also be considered. 3% seats will
also be reserved for differently abled persons belonging to minority communities. Must be between 14-35 years of age. Upper age limit
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