

## **Entrepreneurship Skill Development Programme (ESDP) Scheme**

### **About:**

ESDP Scheme has been initiated to promote new enterprises and enhance the capabilities of existing Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). The program aims to foster an entrepreneurial culture throughout the country by offering necessary training and skill-building opportunities for aspiring and existing entrepreneurs.

### **Key benefits to participants:**

- **Free of Cost Training:** Both new and existing entrepreneurs receive free training on entrepreneurship and skill development across various sectors.
- **Flexible Training Duration:** Training is provided through multiple programs, which range from one week to six weeks in duration, depending on the module:
  - **Entrepreneurship Awareness Programme (EAP)**
  - **Entrepreneurship cum Skill Development Programme (E-SDP)**
  - **Advance Entrepreneurship cum Skill Development Programme (Advance E-SDP)**
  - **Management Development Programme (MDP)**
  - **Advance Management Development Programme (Advance MDP)**

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- The age of the participants will be 18 years and above.
- Youth and other people interested in setting up their own industrial/business/self-employment venture.
- The qualification of the participants and structure of the fees will be decided by the Implementing Agencies i.e. Director/Officer in charge of the programme conducting organization.
- About 40% of the targeted beneficiaries of E-SDPs should be from weaker sections of the Society (SC/ST/Women/Physically Handicapped).

**Note:** Payment of fee will be exempted for SC, ST, Differently-abled Persons, Ex-Servicemen, Below Poverty Line (BPL) category participants and women.

### **Application Process:**

#### **Offline**

- The interested & eligible candidates may please contact the nearby MSME Development Institute, MSME-Technology Centre.
- Addresses and contact details of these organizations are available on Web Portal: [https://dcmsme.gov.in/All\\_MSME\\_DIs\\_TC.aspx](https://dcmsme.gov.in/All_MSME_DIs_TC.aspx)

**Documents Required**

- Identity proof i.e. Aadhaar Card, Voter ID Card, etc.
- Proof of age
- Caste certificate, if applicable
- Disability certificate, if applicable
- Any other document, if required.