ITIs FUNCTIONING UNDER THE CTS

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Will the MINISTER OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a)   the number of Government and Private Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) functioning under the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) in Tamil Nadu, district-wise;

(b)   the total number of trainees enrolled under the CTS in Tamil Nadu during the last five years, year and trade-wise;

(c)   whether the Government has any proposal to upgrade or modernize existing ITIs under CTS in Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof including funding and timelines;

(d)   whether the Government has taken measures to extend the benefits of the said Scheme to backward and underdeveloped districts of Tamil Nadu;

(e)   whether there is any financial or academic support being provided to SC, ST, OBC and economically weaker section students enrolled in CTS courses in Tamil Nadu; and

(f)   the steps taken/being taken by the Government to increase awareness and participation of students from rural and marginalized communities in Tamil Nadu under the CTS?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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(a)   The Directorate General of Training (DGT), under the aegis of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) implements the Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS) through a country wide network of Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) for skilling the youth of the country.

At present, there are 14,615 ITIs established in the country, out of which, 3,316 are Government ITIs and 11,299 are Private ITIs.

In the State of Tamil Nadu, a total of 456 ITIs are established, out of which 93 are Government ITIs and 363 are Private ITIs. District-wise number of ITIs in Tamil Nadu State are at ***Annexure-1***.

(b)   A total of 1,67,481 trainees have been enrolled in ITIs under CTS in Tamil Nadu from the academic sessions 2020-21 onwards and upto 2024-25. Trade-wise, year-wise enrolment in ITIs under CTS in Tamil Nadu State from academic sessions 2020-21 to 2024-25 are at ***Annexure-2***.

(c)   The Cabinet has approved National Scheme for Upgradation of ITIs and setting up National Centres of Excellence (NCOEs) for skilling, at an estimated cost of ₹60,000 crore (Central Share: ₹30,000 crore, State Share: ₹20,000 crore, and Industry Share: ₹10,000 crore). The scheme aims to upgrade 1,000 ITIs through hub-and-spoke arrangements across the country including the state of Tamil Nadu. Under the scheme, course content and design will be aligned with industry skill needs with a focus to introduce new courses to address emerging areas, with the objective of creating a future-ready skilled workforce to meet the dynamic needs of India's economy and boost industrial productivity.

Apart from this, several state governments including Tamil Nadu have collaborated with industries to transform the Government ITIs into technology centres / hubs with modern infrastructure and training facilities to meet the industry 4.0 standards. These collaborations aim to equip Government ITIs with cutting-edge technology and industry-aligned curriculum to bridge the skill gap and prepare students for the demands of the evolving industrial landscape.

(d)   The CTS is being implemented in the ITIs across all the districts of Tamil Nadu State, including the backward and underdeveloped districts. Out of the total 456 ITIs in the State, 410 ITIs are located in rural areas.

Further, the DGT also provides relaxation in the affiliation norms; specifically, in terms of the minimum land area required and the minimum number of trades required for the establishment of new ITIs in unserved areas at the block/municipality level.

(e)   The financial control and day-to-day administration of ITIs fall under the jurisdiction of the respective State Governments and Union Territory Administrations, while policy matters such as setting the criteria for affiliation, conducting examinations, issuing certifications, and designing curricula are the responsibilities of the Central Government. MSDE does not provide any financial support to the ITI trainees. However, the State of Tamil Nadu, provides stipends to all students undergoing training in the Government ITIs of Tamil Nadu, including those belonging to SC, ST, OBC, and economically weaker sections through its own initiatives.

(f)   The State Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Committees (SSDECs) have been constituted at the State/UT level, including in Tamil Nadu, to promote awareness about skill training in ITIs through career awareness programmes in schools, along with mass outreach efforts through FM radio, print media, block-level offices, and local community engagement in rural areas.

Apart from these, the Government of Tamil Nadu, as per its State policy, implements reservations in admissions in Government ITIs for candidates from marginalised sections and provides stipends to all students undergoing training in Government ITIs to encourage participation.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (a) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION 3654 ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025 REGARDING ITIS FUNCTIONING UNDER THE CTS

District-wise number of ITIs in Tamil State

Sr. No.	District	No. of Govt. ITIs	No. of Pvt. ITIs	Total no. of ITIs
1.	Ariyalur	2	5	7
2.	Chengalpattu	2	8	10
3.	Chennai	5	9	14
4.	Coimbatore	3	11	14
5.	Cuddalore	5	19	24
6.	Dharmapuri	1	2	3
7.	Dindigul	2	10	12
8.	Erode	2	13	15
9.	Kallakurichi	3	7	10
10.	Kanchipuram	1	7	8
11.	Kanniyakumari	2	12	14
12.	Karur	1	6	7
13.	Krishnagiri	1	4	5
14.	Madurai	3	8	11
15.	Mayiladuthurai		8	8
16.	Nagapattinam	3	4	7
17.	Namakkal	2	8	10
18.	Perambalur	2	4	6
19.	Pudukkottai	2	13	15
20.	Ramanathapuram	3	4	7
21.	Ranipettai	2	10	12
22.	Salem	4	13	17
23.	Sivaganga	2	7	9
24.	Tenkasi	3	10	13
25.	Thanjavur	3	15	18
26.	The Nilgiris	2	5	7
27.	Theni	3	7	10
28.	Thiruvallur	4	12	16
29.	Thiruvarur	2	8	10
30.	Thoothukkudi	4	12	16
31.	Tiruchirappalli	5	20	25
32.	Tirunelveli	3	12	15
33.	Tirupathur	1	4	5
34.	Tiruppur	3	5	8
35.	Tiruvannamalai	2	22	24
36.	Vellore	1	10	11
37.	Villupuram	1	20	21
38.	Virudhunagar	3	9	12
	Grand Total	**93**	**363**	**456**

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN PART (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION 3654 ANSWERED ON 11.08.2025 REGARDING ITIS FUNCTIONING UNDER THE CTS

Trade-wise, year-wise enrolment in ITIs under CTS from academic sessions 2020-21 to 2024-25

Sr. No	Trade Name	Session 2020-21	session 2021-22	session 2022-23	session 2023-24	session 2024-25
1	Advanced CNC Machining Technician	0	0	0	1556	1275
2	Architectural Draughtsman	11	43	52	58	64
3	Artificial Intelligence Programming Assistant	0	0	0	0	20
4	Basic Designer and Virtual Verifier (Mechanical)	0	0	0	500	407
5	Carpenter	68	55	102	0	0
6	Civil Engineer Assistant	29	30	38	35	29
7	Computer Aided Embroidery and Designing	44	42	54	52	34
8	Computer Hardware and Network Maintenance	85	109	137	142	101
9	Computer Operator & Programming Assistant (VI)	7	7	12	11	12
10	Computer Operator and Programming Assistant	1186	1309	1559	1569	1432
11	Cosmetology	48	42	46	48	48
12	Cutting & Sewing (VI)	5	9	12	11	10
13	Dental Laboratory Equipment Technician	8	9	13	7	5
14	Desk Top Publishing Operator	305	310	356	391	359
15	Desktop Publishing Operator (VI)	5	7	12	7	11
16	Digital Photographer	16	25	32	38	22
17	Draughtsman (Civil)	433	365	393	394	389
18	Draughtsman (Mechanical)	119	121	139	101	81
19	Dress Making	100	80	132	100	85
20	Drone Pilot (Junior)	0	0	0	0	28
21	Drone Technician	0	0	0	19	17
22	Electrician	4507	4687	5343	5305	4852
23	Electronics Mechanic	385	383	438	430	376
24	Fashion Design & Technology	177	210	219	181	211
25	Fire Technology and Industrial Safety Management	0	0	80	56	46
26	Fitter	3860	3976	4496	4726	3909
27	Food & Beverages Services Assistant	32	32	32	66	48
28	Food Production (General)	210	283	293	319	266

29	Footwear Maker	40	34	27	20	17
30	Foundryman	105	117	161	40	27
31	Front Office Assistant	52	55	32	49	32
32	Health Sanitary Inspector	39	44	32	23	15
33	Horticulture	0	0	0	23	22
34	Hospital House Keeping	0	13	5	18	22
35	Industrial Painter	29	15	29	0	0
36	Industrial Robotics and Digital Manufacturing Technician	0	0	0	2541	1829
37	Information Communication Technology System Maintenance	170	174	200	190	165
38	Information Technology	13	15	24	20	24
39	Instrument Mechanic (Chemical Plant)	18	16	25	23	24
40	Instrument Mechanic	269	283	329	225	224
41	Interior Design & Decoration	8	12	208	169	157
42	IoT Technician (Smart City)	5	0	0	0	0
43	IoT Technician (Smart Healthcare)	0	0	20	29	11
44	Leather Goods Maker	95	71	81	60	69
45	Lift and Escalator Mechanic	39	38	46	45	75
46	Machinist (Grinder)	83	82	92	58	48
47	Machinist	908	936	1014	957	755
48	Maintenance Mechanic (Chemical Plant)	18	19	29	23	20
49	Manufacturing Process Control and Automation	0	0	0	1341	1148
50	Marine Engine Fitter	173	169	183	192	156
51	Marine Fitter	17	17	13	19	19
52	Mason (Building Constructor)	10	9	12	0	0
53	Mechanic (Motor Vehicle)	3018	3112	3528	3565	3197
54	Mechanic (Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning)	0	0	1	0	0
55	Mechanic (Tractor)	128	120	147	80	66
56	Mechanic Agriculture Machinery	24	24	24	24	19
57	Mechanic Auto Body Repair	54	39	67	63	50
58	Mechanic Auto Electrical and Electronics	51	50	69	49	37
59	Mechanic Diesel	853	948	1107	1032	855
60	Mechanic Electric Vehicle	0	0	0	1045	906
61	Mechanic Machine Tool Maintenance	56	54	52	60	58
62	Mechanic Two & Three Wheeler	35	42	47	10	9
63	Multimedia Animation & Special Effects	48	37	48	48	39
64	Operator Advanced Machine Tools	16	15	57	64	54

65	Painter General	35	42	47	60	48
66	Plastic Processing Operator	68	71	88	20	21
67	Plumber	202	210	404	569	475
68	Pump Operator-Cum-Mechanic	102	102	110	120	94
69	Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Technician	849	872	1180	1190	1216
70	Secretarial Practice (English)	9	39	57	0	0
71	Sewing Technology	498	570	602	663	561
72	Sheet Metal Worker	307	291	404	296	255
73	Smartphone Technician Cum App Tester	0	6	146	152	149
74	Solar Technician (Electrical)	37	39	110	129	121
75	Spinning Technician	27	27	40	39	37
76	Stenographer & Secretarial Assistant (English)	181	294	341	213	174
77	Surface Ornamentation Techniques (Embroidery)	137	144	164	148	149
78	Surveyor	43	23	73	58	60
79	Technician Electronics System Design and Repair	0	0	0	4	0
80	Technician Mechatronics	86	138	122	90	73
81	Technician Medical Electronics	0	0	85	89	83
82	Technician Power Electronics System	0	0	45	49	57
83	Textile Mechatronics	19	19	20	24	23
84	Textile Wet Processing Technician	16	18	20	19	11
85	Tool & Die Maker (Dies & Moulds)	26	25	25	25	25
86	Tool & Die Maker (Press Tools, Jigs & Fixtures)	51	60	88	115	100
87	Turner	1305	1240	1410	1208	953
88	Vessel Navigator	17	18	16	20	20
89	Welder (Fabrication & Fitting)	20	22	23	0	0
90	Welder (GMAW & GTAW)	123	128	153	86	63
91	Welder	3509	3591	4950	4645	3952
92	Welder (Pipe)	49	47	80	40	32
93	Welder (Structural)	15	31	64	40	32
94	Welder (Welding & Inspection)	38	20	40	1	7
95	Wireman	1532	1715	2472	2739	2365
96	Wood Work Technician	0	0	0	49	23
	Total	**27,315**	**28,496**	**35,078**	**41,127**	**35,465**
	Grand Total	**1,67,481**				

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