
TATA Steel inks MoU with Jharkhand for industrial training center

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TATA Steel has signed a MoU with the Department of Labor, Employment and Training, Government of Jharkhand, for the Industrial Training Centre at Tamar, Jharkhand.

The Memorandum of Understanding was signed at Nepal House by State representative Mr Kapil Deo Tiwary, Director, Department of Labor, Employment & Training and Mr Avinash Prasad, Chief Resident Executive, TATA Steel, in the presence of Mr Sushil Kr Choudhary, Development Commissioner.

An urgent need of developing the skills of the local youths and making them fit for employability was recognized both by the Government of Jharkhand as well as TATA Steel, even as it prepared base for the Jharkhand Steel Project. This Centre, whose academic functions will henceforth be undertaken by TATA Steel, will help impart technical skills among the unskilled or local youth of the area and make them competent enough for the company's upcoming steel project.

It has also been mutually agreed upon that student ratio in the centre will be 25:75, that is, while the State Government provides 25 students who will be selected by Joint Combined Entrance Competitive Examination Board, TATA Steel will select 75 deserving candidates. It is mandatory that each of these candidates be from Jharkhand exclusively. The centre which is scheduled to be functional next year onwards, will coach 100 students at one go.

Mr Choudhary said, "This training program has been initiated jointly by TATA Steel and the Government of Jharkhand, aiming mainly towards progressive growth of the State. Under this, the Government will provide the company with adequate building and laboratories for a period of 30 years. TATA Steel, on the other hand, will be responsible for providing necessary machines, equipment, inspectors, and manpower. Besides acquiring requisite affiliation and bear the running costs, the company will also take responsibility of the centre's management."

Earlier on, as part of Jharkhand Steel Project, TATA Steel had inaugurated an Industrial Training Centre at Seraikela-Kharsawan with support of the district administration. The Industrial Training Centre at Saraikela has presently recruited the fourth batch with its previous three batches of students being absorbed into the service industry on a major scale. The training centre imparts extensive vocational lessons on industrial safety, personal development, basic bench fitting, industrial tour and comprehensive modules on the respective trades. It is on these similar guidelines that the Industrial Training Centre at Tamar will operate.

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