

## National Apprenticeship Training Scheme

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### About National Apprenticeship Training Scheme:

- It is one of the flagship **programmes of Government of India** for Skilling Indian Youth in Trade disciplines.
- The National Apprenticeship Training Scheme under the provisions of the **Apprentices Act, 1961 amended in 1973**.

- It offers **Graduate, Diploma students and Vocational certificate** holders; a practical, hands-on On-the-Job-Training (OJT) based skilling opportunities.
- **Duration:** Ranging from **6 months to 1 year**.
- During the period of apprenticeship, the apprentices are **paid a stipend amount, 50%** of which is reimbursable to the employer from the Government of India.
- At the end of the training period the apprentices are issued a **Certificate of Proficiency by the Government** of India which can be registered at all employment exchanges across India as valid employment experience.
- There is **no guarantee of employment** after completion of training as an apprentice.

### **National Apprenticeship Training Scheme (NATS) 2.0 Portal**

- It facilitates the registration and application process for apprenticeships, allowing industries to manage vacancies and contracts.
  - This provides young graduates and diploma holders with essential employability skills and a guaranteed monthly stipend.
  - It manages the entire **apprenticeship lifecycle**, including **student registration**, vacancy advertisements, applications, contract creation, certification, reporting, and stipend disbursement through DBT.
  - It is developed by the **Ministry of Education** with **AICTE and the Board of Apprenticeship Training/Practical Training** (BoATs/BoPT).
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### **Q1: What is the Skill India mission?**

It was approved by the Union Cabinet in 2015 to create convergence across sectors and States in terms of skill training activities. The mission shall consolidate and coordinate skilling efforts, and expedite decision-making across sectors to achieve skilling at scale with speed and standards.

**Source:** [Government Releases Rs 100 Crore Stipends For Apprentices, Launches NATS 2.0 Portal](#)

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