

## Multi-Skill Development Centre opened at Jharsuguda, Odisha

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A Multi-Skill Development Centre was inaugurated on June 24 at Jharsuguda, Odisha under the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), a GOI scheme that focuses on addressing the occupational aspirations of rural youth and enhancing their skills for wage employment. Delhi-based skills training company, Centum Learning which is partnering the union ministry of Rural Development for this project, will actually run the just started centre. As of now, the Multi-Skill Development Centre will offer skilling in three job roles – Sewing Machine Operator, Retail Trainee Associate and BPO – Voice – that have a very high demand in market.

The initial target for the Multi-Skill Development Centre is training nearly 210 candidates in one cycle spanning three months. Infrastructure at the Centre comprises three class rooms and three practical laboratories. Outstation candidates can avail facility of dormitory, which is separate for boys and girls. Kishore Kumar Mohanty, Chairman, Western Odisha Development Council today inaugurated the Multi-Skill Development Centre, Sitaram Patel Additional District Magistrate; Satya Narayan Dash, Project Director, DRDA; Lilli Kumari Kulu Addl. Project Director, Admin; Praveen Kumar, CE-DSMS, DRDA were among several people who attended the inaugural ceremony. This initiative is being successfully rolled out under the aegis of Odisha Rural Development & Marketing Society (ORMAS), Panchayati Raj Department, Govt. of Odisha.

Sanjeev Duggal, CEO and MD, Centum Learning said "States such as Odisha, which, incidentally records the highest unemployed graduates, need immediate attention via provision of better employment opportunities and harnessing youth power."

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