

**14<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC)**

Date: 27.1.2017 Time: (4:00 pm-6:30 pm)

Venue: NSDA, Kaushal Bhawan, B-2, Pusa Road, New Delhi - 110005

The 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC) was held on 27.1.2017 in New Delhi. Mr. Rohit Nandan, Chairman, NSDA and Secretary, MoSDE chaired the meeting.

The list of participants is at **Annexure I**.

**Agenda Item No. 1: Approval of Minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of NSQC**

There were no further comments on the minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> NSQC meeting and the same were treated as approved.

**Agenda Item No. 2: Action Taken Report**

The action taken report on all the agenda items is enclosed.

**Agenda Item No. 3: NSDA's Update on NSQF Related Activities**

**3.1 NSQF Roll out in States/Ministries**

DG, NSDA provided an update on the action taken by NSDA since the last NSQC Meeting in various states and central ministries. The Committee noted the same.

**3.2 Proposal for setting up of new Sector Skill Council for Skill Sector Council for Innovation, R&D for Engineering and Science Students and Entrepreneurship Development**

DG, NSDA informed that they have received proposal for setting up of a new Sector Skill Council for Innovation, R&D for Engineering and Science Students and Entrepreneurship Development. The proposal is being reviewed at NSDA. It was informed that NSQC will not consider any proposal for formation of new SSC until the final decision on the report of Review Committee for Rationalization and Optimization of the Functioning of the Sector Skill Council is being taken by the government. The Committee noted the same.

**Agenda Item No. 4: Approval of TORs of Sectoral Expert Committees**

DG, NSDA informed the Committee that NSDA is in process of establishing sectoral expert committees for various sectors to have their sectoral inputs from time to time. The terms of reference for engaging the sector experts was tabled before NSQC for approval as under;

## **Terms of Reference**

Sector Expert Committees will be assisting NSDA in the evaluation of qualifications through a systematic process by providing their expert inputs on various heads of Q Files.

## **TA/DA and Sitting Fee etc.**

The members of sectoral expert committee would be entitled for a sitting fee of Rs 2000/- per sitting beside TA/DA as applicable to Group-I officer of highest class. Air fare in economy class would be admissible. The NSDA would provide local transport, hospitality in this regard. The Committee approved the same.

## **Agenda Item No.5: Qualifications on Entrepreneurship**

The Committee was informed that multiple organizations are delivering entrepreneurial trainings in the country which include institutions under different GoI ministries and State departments, NIESBUD, RUDSETI, SSCs, DGT and various other. Many of these organizations have approached the NSQC for qualifications with entrepreneurship/ customized entrepreneurship based qualifications to be aligned with NSQF. NSDA has received request from NIESBUD to keep their qualifications out of the purview of NSQF and NSDA also highlighted their views on entrepreneurial qualifications that these are broadly awareness programs and creation of separate QPs for the same will not be a good idea and raised the issue before the NSQC. The views of various participants in the discussion is as under:

Different stakeholders present in the meeting highlighted the differences in the qualifications run by them in the system. The SSCs including Textile, Construction and Management brought to the Committee's attention that since entrepreneurship is a sum total of skills, attitude, knowledge and behavior and same should very well fall under the purview of NSQF.

Another view put across was that aligning separate QPs on entrepreneurship to the NSQC would be a complicated activity, but instead, NOSs for entrepreneurship can be created and aligned to NSQF which can then be adopted by any awarding agency looking to deliver an entrepreneurial qualification.

Keeping in view that multiple perspectives exist in the ecosystem regarding Entrepreneurial qualifications, the committee recommended that further deliberation is required to analyze the issue in detail before it is presented to the NSQC. **(Action: NSDA, NIESBUD, Management SSC, NSDC)**

## **Agenda Item No.6: Alignment of existing qualifications**

DG, NSDA informed the Committee that NSDA is facing the issue of duplication of qualifications across awarding bodies and sectors. There are various awarding bodies in the

ecosystem delivering similar qualifications and they are in the process of aligning their qualifications to the NSQF. Trends identified in existing international systems show that different awarding bodies are free to run their qualifications as long as they adhere to the basic quality standards prescribed by the respective qualification frameworks and clearly identify or align to national standards. The same mechanism will be followed in India. With respect to variations in standards existing for similar job roles within a sub sector it was observed that there is NCO trade classification which is aligned to international trade classification which includes all jobroles across the country. NSDA will hold deliberations with concerned SSCs and other stakeholders in the sector to derive justifications for the deviation from the standard. In this regard, DG, NSDA informed the NSQC that a working group will be established to address and examine some of these issues. NSDA will also be undertaking a detailed review of all qualifications aligned to the NSQF. **(Action: NSDA)**

NSDA will become the custodian of all approved National Occupational Standards. New qualifications brought forward for alignment will necessarily have to map their outcomes against the NOSs. In case existing NOSs do not fulfill this requirement, new NOSs may be identified by relevant certifying bodies and added to the national repository of occupational standards. **(Action: NSDA and NSDC)**

#### **Agenda Item No.6: Approval of Qualifications of DGT**

A total of 35 QFs have been tabled before NSQC to seek its approval out of which 32 QFs were approved by the NSQC. **Details of these Qualifications are at Annexure II.** The sector wise list of QFs approved by NSQC is as following:

#### **I. DGT Files**

The list of QFs approved by NSQC is as under;

S. No.	Ministry	No. Of QFs approved
1	DGT	30

The DGT qualification on Spoken English should be rechecked with respect to whether it should be a separate qualification or considered as an upskilling course.

#### **II. State Files**

The list of submitted QFs for every state is as under:

S. No.	State	No. Of QFs approved
1	West Bengal	2

- a) **West Bengal**-The committee noted that the qualifications of Electrical House wiring and motor winding should add component of apprentice training and represent it in the next NSQC.

**General observations made by NSQC on files:**

1. All the qualifications after being reviewed by NSDA consultants, should be uploaded in website for public comments before tabling at NSQC. **(Action: NSDA)**

**Agenda Item No. 5: Any other matter with the approval of the Chair**

**Meeting ended with vote of thanks by the Chair.**

List of SSCs Qualifications approved at the 13<sup>th</sup> NSQC Meeting

CTS		
S. No.	Qualification Title	Proposed Level
1	Fitter	5
2	Electrician	5
3	Electronics Mechanic	5
4	Turner	5
5	Welder	4
6	Computer Operator and Programming Assistant (COPA)	4
7	Draughtsman (Civil)	5

MES		
S. No.	Qualification Title	Proposed Level
1	Accounting	Level 3
2	Accounts Assistant using Tally	Level 3
3	Banking Sales Representative	Level 3
4	Insurance Sales Advisor	Level 3
5	DTP and Print Publishing Assistant	Level 3
6	Computer Hardware Assistant	Level 3
7	BPO- Non Voice	Level 3
8	Web Designing and Publishing Assistant	Level 3
9	Computer Network Assistant	Level 3
10	Bedside Assistant	Level 3
11	Laboratory Assistant	Level 3
12	Dresser	Level 3
13	Retail Store Executive	level 3
14	Sales person	Level 3
15	Personal Security Guard	Level 3
16	Security Guard General	Level 3

17	Assistant Fashion sales & showroom Representative	Level 3
18	Tailor( Basic Sewing Operator)	Level 2
19	Basic Wood work	Level 2
20	Solar Electric System Installer and Service Provider	Level 3
21	Basic Spa Therapy	Level 2
22	Advanced Spa Therapy	Level 3
23	Junior Marketing Associate	Level 3

**List of States' Qualifications approved at the 14<sup>th</sup> NSQC Meeting**

Sl. No.	Qualification	Certifying body	NSQF level
<b>1. State of West Bengal</b>			
1.1	Amin Survey	West Bengal state council of technical and vocational education and skill development, Govt of West Bengal	3
1.2	Two/three wheeler mechanic	West Bengal state council of technical and vocational education and skill development, Govt of West Bengal	3