

**MINUTES OF THE 7th MEETING OF NATIONAL SKILLS QUALIFICATIONS
COMMITTEE (NSQC) HELD ON 25th March, 2021**

1. The seventh meeting of the National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC) under National Council of Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) was held on 25th March, 2021 through video-conferencing, under the Chairpersonship of Shri Praveen Kumar, Chairperson, NCVET & Secretary, MSDE. The list of participants is at **Annexure-I**.

2. The decisions taken in the meeting are as follows: -

AGENDA ITEM 1: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF THE 6th MEETING OF NSQC

3. The Committee approved the Minutes of the 6th meeting of NSQC held on 25th February, 2021.

AGENDA ITEM 2A: ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE MINUTES OF THE 6th MEETING OF NSQC

4. The Committee was given an account of the action taken on the minutes of the 6th NSQC meeting. Status of conditionally approved files with respect to compliance is at **Annexure-II (A)**.

5. Paragraph wise details of "Action Taken Report" are as under: -

(a) **Sl. No.2A (1a): Directorate General of Training (DGT)**. It was informed that compliance on conditionally approved Qualification File (QF), namely 'CNC Wood Working and Machining Operator' of Wood and Carpentry Sector has been received and has been uploaded on NQR.

(b) **Sl. No2A (1b): Skill Council for Persons with Disability (SCPwD)**. It was informed that out of 74 conditionally approved Qualifications of SCPwD, concurrence of domain SSCs in 39 qualifications have been received and uploaded on NQR. For remaining 35 Qualifications the concurrence was pending. The Committee took note of the matter.

(c) **Sl. No 2A (1c): Recognition of NCVET Approved Qualifications by National Accreditation Board for Hospitals & Healthcare Providers/National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories (NABH/NABL)**. The Committee was intimated that response from Healthcare SSC was awaited. Dr Sangeeta Reddy has submitted a brief note on mapping of NCVET Qualifications for NABH/NABL and further action on the same would be taken.

(d) **Sl. No 2A (1d): Ratification of De-Activated Courses related to Healthcare Sector**. It was informed to the Committee that the qualification 'Vision Technician', was deactivated on 9th December, 2019 and all the stakeholders including National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC),

Healthcare SSC and Ministry of Education were intimated to ensure that no fresh admissions are made in any of the deactivated Qualifications. The said Qualification also has reference to a Writ Petition wherein it was directed by the Hon'ble Delhi High Court that all Qualifications related to Healthcare & Eye care sector are to be initiated in accordance with law, rules, regulations and Government policies. However, Dept. of School Education had communicated that a total of 219 students were still undergoing training in the said Qualification in the state of Haryana since 2017 and the session is getting completed in March, 2021. The Committee took cognizance of the matter and ratified the continuation of the batch in the course - 'Vision Technician' as a special case for the following reasons: -

- (i) The course had started in 2017 i.e. before the decision of the Hon'ble High Court in 2019 and suspension of the said course would hamper the interest of the school students who have already been undergoing the course for four years prior to the receipt of the order of Hon'ble High Court.
- (ii) Director, Dept of School Education confirmed that the course had started in 2017 and will get over by March 21 and no further courses will be allowed to run thereafter.

AGENDA ITEM 2B: ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON THE DECISIONS TAKEN IN THE 24th MEETING OF NSQC UNDER NSDA (27th FEB 2020)

(a) **Sl. No. (1a) Qualifications submitted by Central Ministries for NSQF Alignment: Directorate General of Training (DGT).** In the 24th NSQC (under NSDA) meeting held on 27th February, 2020, three Qualifications namely- (i) "Health Sanitary Inspector (CTS)", (ii) "Health Safety & Environment (CTS)", and (iii) "Geriatric Old Age Care (CTS)" relating to Health sector were conditionally approved subject to concurrence of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW). MoHFW has concurred with proposed changes and the compliance w.r.t these three Qualifications have been completed by DGT.

However, the matter was placed before the Committee as it was more than one year old and pertained to Health Sector. The Committee ratified the same and directed to inform MoHFW that the compliance has been met by DGT in these three Qualifications.

Further, as proposed by Deputy Secretary, MoHFW, w.r.t the third Qualification-'Geriatric (Old Age Care)-CTS', the Committee instructed to change the age limit criteria to sixteen years and the same was also agreed by Directorate General, Directorate General of Training. Therefore, two Qualifications were approved and third Qualification namely "Geriatric Old Age Care (CTS)" was conditionally approved subject to submission of Qualification, duly amended.

List of Qualifications is placed at **Annexure-II (B)**.

AGENDA ITEM 3: SUBMISSION OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR NSQF ALIGNMENT

6. It was informed that a total of 31 Qualifications (13 new and 18 revised) had been received from 1st January to 31st January 2021. Post desk scrutiny, out of 31 Qualifications, only 19 qualifications were considered and remaining were returned to the respective submitting organizations with due reasoning. Stakeholders' consultations for the eleven qualifications were carried out and a brief account of all the qualifications considered for NSQF alignment was presented before the Committee members.

7. A consolidated statement of approval status of Qualifications considered in the 7th meeting of NSQC is placed at Annexure III(A) and the qualification wise status is at Annexure III(B). The decisions taken are given as under: -

Qualifications Submitted By Central Ministries

8. Directorate General of Training (DGT). Two new Qualifications were submitted by DGT for the approval of NSQC. Details are given below: -

(a) The Qualification 'Finance Assistant (ATS)' in BFSI sector for Apprenticeship Training was accorded approval.

(b) The Qualification 'Armour Welder (ATS)' in Capital Goods sector for Apprenticeship Training was accorded conditional approval subject to change in the entry requirement criteria to add minimum age limit of 16 years.

9. Council of Scientific & Industrial Research- Central Leather Research Institute (CSIR-CLRI). Seven (07) new Qualifications in Leather Sector were presented before the Committee.

(a) One Qualification- 'Post Graduate Diploma Programme in Leather Products Technology' was approved.

(b) Five Qualifications, 'Short Term Executive Training Programme on Occupational Health and Safety for Leather and Allied Industries', 'Short Term Executive Training Programme on Testing and Calibration for Leather Sector', 'Short Term Executive Training Programme on Waste Management for Leather Sector', 'Short Term Executive Skill Development Program in Leather Upholstery Manufacture' and 'Short Term Executive Skill Development Programme in Cleaner Leather Production' were accorded conditional approval subject to amendments as under:-

(i) The entry requirement to Bachelor's degree in B-tech/Engineering/science with background knowledge in leather Industry/ Upholstery or 12th pass with 2 years of experience in leather industry.

(ii) NSQF level be pegged at 4.

(iii) Minimum age should be 21 yrs.

(c) Further, qualification 'Orientation Programme in Leather and Products Manufacture' was approved with following changes:-

- (i) Change in Nomenclature to 'Skill Training Program in Leather and Leather-like materials for Emerging Entrepreneurs'.
- (ii) NSQF level be pegged at 4
- (iii) Change in progression of Qualification-'Orientation Program in Leather and Products Manufacture' to leather Entrepreneur/Self-Employment.

Qualifications Submitted by Sector Skill Councils (SSC)

10. **Domestic Worker SSC.** Four revised Qualifications w.r.t Domestic Worker SSC were placed for approval of NSQC. NSQC suggested that qualifications namely '**Housekeeping cum Cook**' and '**General Housekeeper**' primarily focus being on domestic and small establishment based employment and not hospitality sector based, a clear distinction should be made in these qualifications to enable employers to make an informed decision while recruiting. The Committee further suggested that for these Qualifications more emphasis should be on multi skilling aspects for bringing the informal sector within formal sector. Similarly, for two qualifications '**Child Caretaker (non-clinical)**' and '**Elderly Caretaker (non-clinical)**', the Committee recommended to remove occupation and progression showing linkages with healthcare and highlight the term 'Non-clinical'. The NSQC conditionally approved the four revised qualifications subject to inclusion of following modifications: -

- (a) **Housekeeper cum Cook**: The words 'Household and small establishment' in parentheses, viz. (Household and small establishment) be suffixed to the qualification. Progression pathways be delinked with the job roles for hospitality industry.
- (b) **General House keeper**: The words 'Household and small establishment' in parentheses, viz. (Household and small establishment) be suffixed to the qualification. Progression pathways be delinked with the job roles for hospitality industry.
- (c) **Child Caretaker (non-Clinical)**: Changes in occupation and progression to be done to delink it from health related roles.
- (d) **Elderly Caretaker (Non-Clinical)**: Changes in occupation and progression to be done to delink it from health related roles.

11. **Automotive Skill Development Council (ASDC).** Five revised Qualifications (with changes) and one new Qualification of Automotive Sector were submitted before NSQC for approval. The new Qualification 'Automotive Assembly Operator' and four revised Qualifications, 'Automotive Welding Machine Assistant', 'Automotive Welding Machine Technician' 'Automotive Quality Control Assistant' and 'Automotive Maintenance Technician- Electrical' were accorded approval. One revised Qualification 'Automotive Sales

The caller' was conditionally approved subject to submitting 21 Industry validations.

12. Additional Decisions

(a) Approval of Noncore NOSs. It was decided that NCVET should take steps to develop common non-core NOSs (such as soft skills, financial literacy, digital literacy, etc) which can be hosted on the NQR, and which can be used by awarding bodies to combine with their approved QPs, to give training based on expanded QP, and for which they need not come to NSQC for approval again.

(b) Grant of Extension of Qualifications Expiring in March 2021. It was brought out before the Committee that validity of 1857 NSQF aligned Qualifications (including 6 NOS of EEE) being run under Government Schemes are expiring on 31 March 2021. Further, these qualifications were long overdue for revision and they have already been granted extension twice in different NSQCs held under, erstwhile NSDA. Taking note of the matter, the Committee, accorded approval for a one-time extension for six months, till 30th September 2021. Approval was also given for similar extension to borrowed Qualifications by SCPwD as well, for the six month period. Within this period, the concerned Awarding Bodies should submit proposals for extension of these qualifications, with or without revision. If the extension is given to the qualifications without any revision in the six month period, then the extension will apply mutatis mutandis to these qualifications, if they had been borrowed by SCPwD. However, in case Qualifications have been revised by the parent awarding body, then SCPwD will have to present the borrowed revised Qualification to NSQC for approval within six months from the date of approval of the Qualification.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



ANNEXURE-I

List of Participants

National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC) Members

1. Shri Praveen Kumar, Chairman, NCVET & Secretary, MSDE
2. Mr. Atul Kr. Tiwari, Addl. Secretary, MSDE
3. Ms. Neelam Shami Rao, Director General, DGT
4. Ms. Anuradha Vemuri, EM-NCVET and JS & CVO, MSDE
5. Mr. Shakil Alam, Economic Adviser, MSDE
6. Shri. P P Gupta, Director, Dept of School Education
7. Shri Anil Kumar Pandey, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
8. Shri Saurabh Kumar Dubey, Director (RS)
9. Dr. Neetu Bhagat, Director, AICTE
10. Ms. Manju Singh, JS-UGC
11. Mr. Subu Tabin, Director-SDE, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh
12. Ms Shimla Meena, Asst. Director, MSME

Sectoral Representatives/Submitting Bodies

1. Mr. Murthy, CSTARI, Kolkata
2. Mr. N.Ramesh Babu, OSD to Secy, MSDE
3. Dr. Swarna V Kanth, Principal Scientist, CLRI
4. Ms. Nidhi Rawat, Head Assessment & Certification (DDUGKY), MoRD
5. Mr. Arindam Lahiri, ASDC
6. Ms. Mona Gupta, CEO, Domestic Worker SSC
7. Mr. Ravindra Singh, CEO, SCPwD
8. Mr. Sumit Garg, Head & Standards, Domestic Worker SSC
9. Dr. Niharika Nigam, SCPwD

NCVET Officials

1. Ms. Vinita Aggarwal, Consulting Advisor, NCVET
2. Col. Santosh Kumar, Director, NCVET
3. Lt. Col. Gunjan Chowdhary, Director, NCVET
4. Mr. Sushil Agarwal, Director, NCVET
5. Mr. Narendra Singh, Director, NCVET
6. Ms. Sarika Dixit, Consultant, NCVET
7. Mr. Shourya Sangam, Consultant, NCVET
8. Ms. Tanavi Singh, Consultant, NCVET
9. Mr. Lav Bhardwaj, Consultant, NCVET
10. Mr. Sourabh Kulparia, Consultant, NCVET
11. Ms. Shubhi Mathur, Consultant, NCVET
12. Mr. Anuj Gupta, Consultant, NCVET
13. Mr. Sumit Kumar, Consultant, NCVET
14. Mr. Shuvadeep Ray, Consultant, NCVET

Status of Conditionally Approved Files from 6th NSQC

Submitting Body: DGT

S. No	Submitting Body	No of Files	Name of the Qualification/ Job Role	Compliances
1.	DGT	1	CNC Wood Working and Machining Operator	Compliance Completed

Submitting Body: Skill Council for Persons with Disability (74 New Qualifications)

Sector: Multi-Sectoral

S. No	Originating Sector	Job Role	NSQF Level	Status of Approval
1.	Food	Pickle Making Technician-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
2.		Pickle Making Technician-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
3.		Pickle Making Technician-PwD LV	4	Compliance pending
4.		Baking Technician-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
5.		Baking Technician-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
6.		Plant biscuit production specialist-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
7.		Plant biscuit production specialist-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
8.		Plant biscuit production specialist-PwD LV	4	Compliance pending
9.		Jam Jelly & Ketchup Processing Technician-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
10.		Jam Jelly & Ketchup Processing Technician-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
11.		Jam Jelly & Ketchup Processing Technician-PwD LV	4	Compliance pending
12.	Furniture	Lead Assembler Modular Furniture- PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
13.	Media	Make -up Artist-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
14.		Make -up Artist-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
15.		Hairdresser-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
16.		Hairdresser-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
17.		Animator-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
18.		Animator-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
19.	Textile	Hank Dyer-PwD SHI	3	Compliance pending
20.		Two shaft Handloom Weaver-PwD SHI	4	Compliance pending
21.		Warper-PwD SHI	3	Compliance pending
22.	Construction	Assistant Electrician-PwD LD	3	Compliance pending
23.		Mason Marble, Granite & Stone-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
24.	Domestic Workers	Housekeeper cum Cook-PwD LD	3	Compliance pending

25.	Healthcare	Diet Assistant-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
26.	Handicrafts	Bamboo Utility Handicraft Assembler-PwDLD	3	Compliance pending
27.		Bamboo Utility Handicraft Assembler-PwD SHI	3	Compliance pending
28.		Handloom Weaver (Carpets)-PwD SHI	3	Compliance pending
29.		Bamboo Basket Maker-PwD LD	3	Compliance pending
30.		Bamboo Basket Maker-PwD SHI	3	Compliance pending
31.		Bamboo Basket Maker-PwD LV	3	Compliance pending
32.		Bamboo Basket Maker-PwD VI	3	Compliance pending
33.		Casting Operator (Metal Handicrafts)-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
34.		Casting Operator (Ceramics)-PwD LD	4	Compliance pending
35.		Handmade Bamboo Agarbatti Stick Making-PwD LD	3	Compliance pending

Type of Disabilities:

- (i) LD- Locomotors Disability
- (ii) LV- Low Vision
- (iii) SHI- Speech & Hearing Impairment and
- (iv) VI- Visual Impairment

Annexure-II (B)

LIST OF DGT QUALIFICATIONS CONCURRED BY MoHFW

S. No	Qualification Name	Occupation	Entry requirements	Notional hours	Proposed NSQF level	Progression Pathway	Line Ministry Concurrence
1	Health Sanitary Inspector-CTS	Sanitary Inspector	Passed 10th class examination. Minimum age 14 years as on first day of academic session.	1600	4	Professional <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food/ Sanitary Inspector • Senior sanitary Inspector • Sanitary Superintendent • Manager • Entrepreneur Academic • ATS, CITS • Diploma/Advance Diploma (Vocational) 	Yes
2	Old Age Care-CTS	Home Based Personal Care Workers, Other	Passed 10th Class Examination. Minimum age 14 years as on first day of academic session.	1600	4	Professional <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geriatric Care Assistant • Geriatric Care Supervisor • Geriatric Care Manager • Entrepreneur Academic • ATS, CITS • Diploma/Advance Diploma (Vocational) 	Yes
3	Health Safety & Environment-CTS	(i) Occupational Health and Safety Specialist (ii) Environmental Compliance Inspector	a. Passed class 10 Examination. b. The minimum physical requirements are i. Height - 165 cm ii. Weight - 52 kg iii. Chest - Normal 81 cm- Expanded 85 cm iv. A registered MBBS doctor must certify that the candidate is medically fit to undertake the course. Minimum age 14 years as on first day of academic session	1600	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional • Health & Safety Assistant • Safety Supervisor • Safety officer • Manager • Entrepreneur Academic • ATS, CITS • Diploma/Advance Diploma (Vocational) 	Yes

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF APPROVAL STATUS OF QFs IN THE 7th NSQC

CENTRAL MINISTRIES						Approval Status
S. No	Name of the Submitting Body	New Files	Rationalized Files	Revised Files	Files for NSQC consideration	
1	DGT	2	-	-	2	1 Approved and 1 Conditionally Approved
2	CSIR-CLRI	7	-	-	7	1 Approved and 6 Conditionally Approved
Sub-Total		9	-	-	9	
Sector Skill Councils						
S. No	Name of the Submitting Body	New Files	Rationalized Files	Revised Files	Files for NSQC consideration	Approval Status
1	Domestic Worker SSC	-		4	4	4 Conditionally Approved
2	Automotive Skill Development Council (ASDC)	1	-	5	2	5 Approved and 1 Conditionally Approved revised Qualification
Sub-Total		1	-	5	6	
Grand Total		10	-	09	19	7 Approved and 12 Conditionally Approved

Status of Qualification Files Placed for Approval in 7th NSQC**Central Ministries**

a) Submitting Body: DGT (2 New Qualifications), Sector-BFSI & Capital Goods

SL No.	Qualification Name	Proposed NSQF Level	Approval Status
(i)	Finance Assistant (ATS)	4	Approved
(ii)	Armour Welder (ATS)	4	Conditionally Approved

b) Submitting Body: CSIR-CLRI (7 New Qualifications) Sector- Leather

SL No.	Qualification Name	Proposed NSQF Level	Approval Status
(i)	Post Graduate Diploma Programme in Leather Products Technology	6	Approved
(ii)	Short Term Executive Training Programme on Occupational Health and Safety for Leather and Allied Industries	5	Conditionally Approved
(iii)	Short Term Executive Training Programme on Testing and Calibration for Leather Sector	5	Conditionally Approved
(iv)	Short Term Executive Training Programme on Waste Management for Leather Sector	5	Conditionally Approved
(v)	Skill Training Programme in Leather and Leather-like materials and their Products Manufacture	5	Conditionally Approved
(vi)	Short Term Executive Skill Development Program in Leather Upholstery Manufacture	5	Conditionally Approved
(vii)	Short Term Executive Skill Development Programme in Cleaner Leather Production	5	Conditionally Approved

Sector Skill Councils

(a) Submitting Body: Domestic Worker SSC (4 revised QFs), Sector: Domestic Worker

SL No.	Qualification Name	Proposed NSQF Level	Approval Status
(i)	Housekeeper cum Cook	3	Conditionally Approved
(ii)	General Housekeeper	3	Conditionally Approved

(iii)	Child Caretaker (Non Clinical)	3	Conditionally Approved
(iv)	Elderly care (non clinical)	3	Conditionally Approved

**(b) Submitting Body: Automotive Skill Development Council (1 New & 5 Revised QFs),
Sector: Automotive**

SL No.	Qualification Name	Proposed NSQF Level	Approval Status
(i)	Automotive Sales Tele caller	4	Conditionally Approved
(ii)	Automotive Welding Machine Assistant	2	Approved
(iii)	Automotive Welding Machine Technician	4	Approved
(iv)	Automotive Assembly Operator	3	Approved
(v)	Automotive Quality Control Assistant	3	Approved
(vi)	Automotive Maintenance Technician- Electrical	4	Approved
