



46th meeting of NSQC held under the chairpersonship of Smt. Debashree Mukherjee, Secretary, MSDE and Chairperson, NCVET

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The 46th meeting of the National Skills Qualifications Committee (NSQC) was held on 13th February 2026, under the chairpersonship of **Ms. Debashree Mukherjee**, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and Chairperson, National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET). The meeting deliberated on proposals under the National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) with the objective of strengthening the quality, relevance and industry alignment of vocational qualifications across the country.

The meeting was attended by Prof. (Dr.) Ashok Kumar Gaba, Executive Member, NCVET, Dr. Suhas Deshmukh, Director and Secretary to the Council, Members of the NSQC from Central Ministries/Departments including Ministry of Rural Development, Ministry of Labour and Employment; sector experts; and key stakeholders.

A total of **16 Awarding Bodies** presented their Qualifications before the Committee. In all, **107 Qualifications** were considered, covering various proposals from all the participating entities including various Sector Skill Councils. The Qualifications span **priority, high-growth sectors both in organised and unorganised areas** including IT, automotive, electronics, healthcare, construction, management, textiles and handicrafts beauty and wellness, wood and carpentry, green jobs, and emerging technologies. New and revised qualifications were also introduced to address skills requirements in **IT**, and allied services, thereby expanding access to structured skilling and improving employability for diverse learner groups.

The Committee emphasised outcome-driven and competency-based qualifications for both short term and long term trainings, anchored in strong quality standards, updated curricula, and rigorous assessments with industry validation. The approved courses aim to deliver job-ready skills, recognised certifications, and flexible pathways for academic, career progression and entrepreneurship.

Addressing the meeting, Ms. Debashree Mukherjee highlighted the NSQC's critical role in keeping India's skill framework credible, future-ready, and aligned with evolving economic needs. She noted that the deliberations reflect the Government's commitment towards building a globally competitive workforce in line with **Skill India** mission.



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