Sub: Online National Webinar on Skill Development for Tribal Rural Youth: Inclusion and Opportunities during September 16-18, 2020

Dear Sir/Madam,

I have a pleasure in informing you that the V.V. Giri National Labour Institute and Gandhigram Rural Institute are organising a three days online National Webinar on Skill Development for Tribal Rural Youth: Inclusion and Opportunities during September 16-18, 2020.

The main aim of the Webinar is to discuss the opportunities and challenges of Tribal and Rural Youth's need of Skill Development in India with a focus on Government Policies and programmes paving a way for their inclusion and well-being. The Webinar is meant for academicians, researchers, representatives of Panchayati Raj Institutions, trade unions, civil societies and officials of Skill Development Institutions. The Webinar details are attached.

We request you to nominate some of your officials for this national webinar.

We look forward to your positive response and nominations.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. H. Srinivas)

To:
- Union and State Governments
- Skill Development Institutions
- Educational and Research Institutions
- Central Trade Unions
- Panchayati Raj Institutions
- Civil Societies.
Online National Workshop

Skill Development for Tribal and Rural Youth: Inclusion and Opportunities

September 16-18, 2020
CONTEXT

The father of our nation, Mahatma Gandhi said that our Country’s strength lies within its villages. Rural and tribal areas contribute significantly towards the overall growth and economic development of a country. A data states that among the 5.98 billion people(approximately) who live in this world, 3.4 billion people(approximately) live in villages/rural areas.

However, many issues still plague the villages and tribal areas of India such as poverty, water scarcity, malnourishment, lack of basic facilities, illiteracy, unemployment, anti-social elements etc. Since independence, disguised unemployment seemed to be a major threat in rural areas because of the ever-growing population. India is passing through the transition phase of young talent goldmine which should be appropriately nurtured, developed and added to the HR pool. Effective utilization of resources and availability of a skilled individual helps in ensuring that the developmental activities aren’t compromised. For attaining gainful result, special devotion is required towards the strengthening of the skill development infrastructure.

Skill development is a huge challenge, not only for the government but also for the private sectors and educational institutions to rise up and specialize in nurturing youth employability and ensuring no mismatch between demand and supply. The highly educated youths do not want to turn back and work in farms and any related activities. It is important for this sector to be atmanirbhar as self-reliant India isn’t possible without self-reliant villages.

The Government of India, has initiated two programs, Skill India and Make in India to create a framework for skill development and entrepreneurship activities in the country. Skill India’s primary objective is to ensure a well-established infrastructure for skill development and to focus on creating skilled labour force by imparting professional skills and employment-oriented training. This needs to be further sustainably mainstreamed towards promoting the gender equality and social inclusion in rural and tribal areas.
It is in this backdrop, Centre for Agrarian Relations, Rural and Behavioural Studies, V.V. Giri National Labour Institute, Noida, Uttar Pradesh in collaboration with Centre for Study of Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policy Gandhi gram Rural Institute, Gandhigram, Tamil Nadu is organizing three days National Workshop on, “Skill Development for Tribal and Rural Youth: Inclusion and Opportunities”. This workshop is expected to provide an opportunity and a platform for Academicians; Researchers; Officials from PRIs; NGO & trade union representative; Skill Development Institutions to discuss the opportunities and challenges of tribal and rural youth’s need of skill development in India with a focus on government policies and programs paving a way for their inclusion and well-being.

SUB-THEMES OF THE SEMINAR

1. Skill development challenges faced by tribal and rural youth.
2. Skill development opportunities for tribal and rural youth.
3. Promoting entrepreneurship through Skill development of tribal and rural youth.
4. To discuss inclusion policies pertaining to Skill development for tribal and rural youth.
5. Government, civil society and private sector initiatives in enhancing tribal and rural youth through inclusive and meaningful skill development.

DELIVERY AND METHODOLOGY

This workshop will be delivered in online mode. The workshop will primarily be interactive in nature with the provision of presentation through case studies; dissemination of documentaries; group work; assignments e.t.c.,

RESOURCE PERSONS

Faculty members of VVGNLI, GRI and Subject experts will be the primary resource persons.
PARTICIPATION LEVEL
Academicians; Researchers; Officials from PRIs; NGO & trade union representative; Skill Development Institutions are expected to apply for this programme. For the welfare of vulnerable and marginalized section of the society, we will appreciate if participants from reserved categories (SC/ST/OBC/EWS) are also nominated.

Participants should have working knowledge of Hindi/English Language. Further, as this is an online workshop, those enrolling in the programme should have access to internet and laptop/desktop /smart phone with audio-visual facilities.

DATES AND DURATION
This programme is scheduled from 16th September to 18th September, 2020. On each day, online discussions will be held from 12.30p.m to 2.30 p.m apart from offline interactions through assignments provided to the participants during, after or prior to each online discussions.

NOMINATION AND ENROLMENT
The nominations details of those who are interested in participating in this workshop, either nominated through organizations or individually should be forwarded through google online form available at following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfguBJh1ng2AH-66mRUSYwLwAy69ZDPeQ88iG8zVVOTSJcuuQ/viewform?usp=pp_url

LAST DATE FOR RECEIVING NOMINATIONS
11th September, 2020

The nominations received will be scrutinized by the Course director & Convener and those selected will be intimated individually via email. They will also be informed about the log-in details to access the online programme and related training resources a day before the workshop starts. Those who successfully complete the programme will be provided e- certificate by VVGNLI.
ENROLMENT FEE

There is no fee for enrolment/participation in the programme.

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