

NOTICE INVITING REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (“NIRFP”) FOR SELECTION OF TRAINING PARTNERS UNDER THE CUSTOMISED CRASH COURSE PROGRAMME FOR COVID WARRIORS

The purpose of this NIRFP is to provide interested parties with information that may be useful to them in the formulation of their proposals pursuant to this NIRFP. In the backdrop of the unprecedented COVID 19 situation, it is imperative that this program for training health care workers is implemented in a limited span of time. This NIRFP will assist interested parties in advance preparation.

A. INTRODUCTION

The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (“**MSDE**”) has introduced ‘Customised Crash Course Programme for COVID Warriors’ (“**Programme**”) which is being implemented by National Skill Development Corporation (“**NSDC**”). As part of this implementing endeavour, it has been decided to invite proposals for selection of Training Partners (“**Training Partners**”) who will be required to impart training in accordance with the Programme Guidelines (“**Request for Proposal**” or “**RFP**”). Training Partners shall be solely responsible for compliance to the requirements of the Programme Guidelines.

The “**Programme Guidelines**” are available at

<https://nsdcindia.org/sites/default/files/Guidelines-for-Customized-Crash-Course-Programme-for-COVID-Warriors-under-PMKVY3-29-06-2021.pdf>

B. BACKGROUND

COVID-19 has put our existing healthcare system under unprecedented stress, and it was felt that there is a requirement of skilled COVID warriors across the country. In order to meet this deficit of skilled COVID warriors and augmentation of available healthcare services with limited span of time, MSDE has undertaken a programme to create a pool of trained/skilled COVID warriors as per standardized skilling ecosystem. Accordingly, the ‘Customised Crash Course Programme for COVID Warriors’ is designed as a special strategic programme for its effective implementation under Special Project category of Central Component of Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana 3.0 (PMKVY 3.0) available at [https://www.msde.gov.in/sites/default/files/2021-01/PMKVY%20Guideline%20report \(06-01-2021\) V5.pdf](https://www.msde.gov.in/sites/default/files/2021-01/PMKVY%20Guideline%20report%20(06-01-2021)%20V5.pdf) .

Considering the nature of the pandemic, National Disaster Management Authority (“**NDMA**”) established under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 has laid down policies, plans and guidelines for management of the COVID-19 situation including additional guidelines pertaining to COVID-19 by Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare etc. (“**Applicable Guidelines**”).

The successful applicant under the Programme shall be expected to have all the permissions, licenses, and approvals in place for carrying out the skill training under the Programme. In addition, the successful applicant must also ensure compliance of the Applicable Guidelines along with any directions/advisories issued by concerned ministries from time to time.

C. JOB ROLES FOR HEALTHCARE TRAININGS

Based on the recommendations of Health Sector Skill Council (“**HSSC**”) (as presented in the **Annexure 1 of Programme Guidelines**), training would be imparted in customised six job roles namely:

- i. COVID Frontline Worker (Home Care Support)
- ii. COVID Frontline Worker (Basic Care Support)
- iii. COVID Frontline Worker (Advanced Care Support)
- iv. COVID Frontline Worker (Emergency Care Support)
- v. COVID Frontline Worker (Sample Collection Support)
- vi. COVID Frontline Worker (Medical Equipment Support)

As COVID healthcare management requires extensive data management, therefore the course content for the job role of ‘*Medical Record Assistance (MRA)*’ has been embedded in the course content of all six job roles.

Table 1: Detail of Crash Courses in Healthcare Sector

Sl. No	Crash Course	Crash Course QP Code	QP to which mapped to	Estimated Hours	Minimum Education Criterion
1	COVID Frontline Worker (Basic Care Support) - CFW-BCS	HSS/Q5104	General Duty Assistant (GDA)	195 hours	10 th Pass
2	COVID Frontline Worker (Home Care Support) - (CFW-HCS)	HSS/Q5105	Home Health Aide (HHA)	195 hours	10 th Pass
3	COVID Frontline Worker (Advanced Care Support) - (CFW-ACS)	HSS/Q5605	GDA Advanced – Critical Care (GDAA)	210 hours	10 th Pass
4	COVID Frontline Worker (Sample Collection Support) -(CFW-SCS)	HSS/Q0502	Phlebotomist	211 hours	12 th Pass (Science)

Sl. No	Crash Course	Crash Course QP Code	QP to which mapped to	Estimated Hours	Minimum Education Criterion
5	COVID Frontline Worker (Emergency Care Support) -(CFW-ECS)	HSS/Q2303	Emergency Medical Technician-Basic (EMTB)	144 hours	12 th Pass
6	COVID Frontline Worker (Medical Equipment Support) - (CFW-MES)	HSS/Q5604	Medical Equipment Technology Assistant (META)	312 hours	10 th Class + I.T.I + 3-5 Years of experience OR Diploma (technical subjects)

D. SELECTION OF TRAINING PARTNERS

For undertaking such trainings, the criteria for selection of Training Partners shall be specified in the RFP.

E. ACCREDITATION AND AFFILIATION OF TRAINING PARTNERS

The Accreditation and Affiliation process shall be specified in detail under the RFP. However, the prospective applicants may refer to the following guidelines:

- Guidelines: <https://s3.ap-south-1.amazonaws.com/nsdctesttemplates/sdmsknowledgebank/CentreAccreditationAffiliationGuidelinesVersion.pdf>
- Specifications as per SSC and other related details: <https://skillindia.nsdindia.org/knowledge-bank>
- FAQs: <https://skillindia.nsdindia.org/faqs>

G. ALLOCATION OF TARGETS

The details pertaining to allocation of targets to be provided to such Training Partners shall be specified under the RFP.

H. TIMELINES PROPOSED UNDER THE RFP

S. No.	Key Activities	Dates
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1	Release of Notice inviting RFP	D
2	RFP submission start on portal	D+7
3	Last date for submission of Proposals	D+17

I. DISCLAIMER

This NIRFP is not an agreement and is neither an offer nor invitation by NSDC to the prospective applicants or any other person. The assumptions, assessments, statements and information contained in this NIRFP, may not be complete, accurate, adequate or correct. Each applicant should, therefore, conduct its own investigations and analysis and should check the accuracy, adequacy, correctness, reliability and completeness of the assumptions, assessments and information contained in this NIRFP and obtain independent advice from appropriate sources.

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The issue of this NIRFP does not imply that NSDC is bound to select a Training Partner/s.

NSDC shall not be liable in any manner whatsoever for any costs or other expenses incurred by an applicant in preparation or submission of the proposal, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the selection process.

J. COMMUNICATION

For any questions/clarifications, please write to specialprojectpmkvy@nsdcindia.org