

## LEARNING AND CAPABILITY

# Private ITI / Private Vocational Training Provider

## WHAT THIS INSTITUTION IS

A private Industrial Training Institute (ITI) is a privately-owned training centre that teaches the same trades as a government ITI – electrician, fitter, welder, computer operator, mechanic, and similar occupations – but charges fees. All 169 CTS trades are NSQF-compliant (Levels 3 to 5; most new-age / Industry 4.0 trades sit at Levels 3 to 4.5). Private ITIs outnumber government ITIs: approximately 11,700 private versus 3,300 government nationally. They are affiliated through the Directorate General of Training (DGT, the sole Awarding Body recognised by NCVET) for CTS trades issuing the National Trade Certificate (NTC), or through the State Council for Vocational Training (SCVT) for state-recognised trades issuing the State Trade Certificate (STC). Private ITIs are run by eligible entities – societies (Societies Registration Act, 1860), trusts (Indian Trusts Act, 1882), private or public limited companies, or sole proprietors.

## WHY THIS MATTERS TO YOU

If there is no government ITI seat available in your district or your preferred trade, a private ITI is an alternative. Verify the institute's DGT/NCVET affiliation on [ncvtmis.gov.in](http://ncvtmis.gov.in) before enrolling – if a private ITI is not listed there, its affiliation claim is false.



## GOVERNANCE

LAW / POLICY	SCOPE
Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS)	Primary scheme prescribing curricula, practical-to-theory ratios, and assessment
NCVET / DGT / SCVT	NCVET regulates Awarding Bodies (notified 5 December 2018; subsumed the erstwhile National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) and NSDA); DGT is the sole Awarding Body for CTS and issues the NTC; SCVTs issue STC for state-recognised trades
Directorate General of Training (DGT) Affiliation Norms, 2018 (updated 2025)	Infrastructure and staffing minimums for affiliation
Apprentices Act, 1961	Governs post-training apprenticeship
National Skills Qualifications Framework (NSQF) Levels 3-5	All trades mapped to the National Skills Qualifications Framework

- **Regulator (national):** National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) – recognises and regulates Awarding Bodies, Assessment Agencies, and Training Bodies
- **Awarding Body (long-term training):** Directorate General of Training (DGT), under MSDE – sole Awarding Body and Assessment Agency for CTS; issues the NTC and conducts the All India Trade Test (AITT)
- **State Council for Vocational Training (SCVT):** state-level body that affiliates trades not yet on the NCVET-approved list and issues the STC
- **State:** State Directorate of Vocational Education and Training (DVET) grants the No Objection Certificate (NOC), inspects, monitors
- **Institution:** Principal / Head (may be the owner or nominee)
- **Funding:** Self-financed through student fees

## KEY POSITIONS

POSITION	RESPONSIBILITY
Principal / Head	Institutional head; administration and compliance
Trade Instructors	One per trade unit; theory and workshop practicals; must hold the trade-specific qualification prescribed in the CTS curriculum (typically a Degree or Diploma in the relevant engineering discipline, or NTC/National Apprenticeship Certificate (NAC) plus prescribed line experience, or CITS in the trade); CITS is one acceptable qualification, not the sole mandatory one
Employability Skills Instructor	Compulsory soft skills, English, and digital literacy module
Placement Coordinator	Connects pass-outs with employers and apprenticeship opportunities



## MANDATED SERVICES

- Run CTS trades per DGT-prescribed syllabus with the 70:30 practical-to-theory ratio; deliver the revised CTS load of 1,200 annual notional learning hours (down from 1,600 under National Education Policy 2020 alignment) plus a mandatory 150 hours of On-the-Job Training (OJT) per year at nearby industry, additional to the 1,200 hours; where industry OJT is not available, an equivalent group project substitutes for OJT
- Deliver the compulsory 120-hour Employability Skills module
- Register students on the NCVT MIS / Bharat Skills Portal and maintain attendance
- Facilitate the All India Trade Test (AITT) for NCVET-recognised CTS trades, with theory papers conducted in Computer-Based Test (CBT) format; the State Trade Test for SCVT-only trades
- Issue the digitally-signed National Trade Certificate (NTC), accessible via NCVT MIS ([ncvtmis.gov.in](http://ncvtmis.gov.in)) and downloadable through DigiLocker / National Academic Depository, or the State Trade Certificate (STC) on passing the trade test
- Link trainees to apprenticeships and jobs
- Charge fees as per state-prescribed norms (private ITIs are not bound by a single national fee ceiling); facilitate state-level fee reimbursements and post-matric scholarship workflows where applicable

## LINKED SCHEMES

- CTS – standardised trade training and certification
- NAPS (National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme) – stipend support for apprentices (portal: [apprenticeshipindia.gov.in](http://apprenticeshipindia.gov.in))
- Post-matric Scholarships (National Scholarship Portal (NSP) – National Scholarships Portal) – financial support for Scheduled Caste (SC) / Scheduled Tribe (ST) / Other Backward Classes (OBC) / minority students
- State fee reimbursement schemes – some states reimburse fees for reserved category students in private ITIs

## HOW TO LOCATE

**Portal:** [ncvtmis.gov.in](http://ncvtmis.gov.in) – search by state and district for all NCVET / DGT-affiliated ITIs (government and private) with trades, intake, and grading scores

**Also:** Check state DVET / Directorate of Technical Education (DTE) portals for both NCVET / DGT-affiliated and SCVT-affiliated ITIs; also [bharatskills.gov.in](http://bharatskills.gov.in) for registered ITIs

## KEY FACILITIES

A functioning private ITI should have: trade-specific workshops with equipment per DGT equipment lists, theory classrooms, a computer lab with internet, separate functional toilets for men and women, safety equipment in workshops, a library with trade manuals, and a boundary wall.



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## WHAT A FUNCTIONING PRIVATE ITI LOOKS LIKE

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- Each trade has a dedicated workshop with equipment matching DGT lists and showing signs of use
- Instructors meet the trade-specific CTS-curriculum qualification (Degree/Diploma, NTC/NAC + experience, or CITS), verifiable on NCVT MIS
- The number of students physically present matches claimed enrolment
- The fee structure is published and matches what students actually pay, with no hidden charges
- Placement records from the last batch are available with verifiable data
- The ITI's grading score under the DGT Data-Driven Grading Methodology (DDGM, viewable at [dgt.gov.in/itigrading](http://dgt.gov.in/itigrading)) is above the threshold required for renewal of affiliation and addition of trades

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## GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL

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**During service delivery.** The first point of contact is the Principal / Head / Owner-Operator. Fee disputes, hidden-charge complaints, and false placement promises must be raised in writing, ideally with a receipt.

**After service.** Escalation is to the State DVET / DTE — which has affiliation authority and can de-recognise a private ITI. Consumer-facing grievances (fee refund, service denial) can be filed at the District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission.

**External.** DGT / National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET) handles affiliation and quality grievances at [ncvtmis.gov.in](http://ncvtmis.gov.in) and [ncvet.gov.in](http://ncvet.gov.in) respectively. Where NCVT affiliation is falsely claimed, a complaint to the State DVET triggers verification. The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) grievance portal ([msde.gov.in](http://msde.gov.in)) and the Centralised Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS, [pgportal.gov.in](http://pgportal.gov.in)) handle central-ministry escalation. The District Consumer Commission under the Consumer Protection Act, 2019 handles fee and service-delivery disputes.

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