

CENTRALLY SPONSORED SCHEME:

The National Policy on Education (NPE 1986) advocated a systematic well-planned programme of vocational education, which would be a district stream, intended to prepare students for identified occupations. The MHRD, Government of India, launched a Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) of Vocationalisation of Secondary Education in February 1988 under which substantial financial assistance is given to States/UTs for the implementation of the programme. Under this scheme, financial assistance is provided for infrastructure development of management system and almost all other aspects of implementation. No funds are provided for guidance and counseling services, as it was envisaged in the scheme that state government should extend such services to the students. Component wise details of Centrally Sponsored Schemes are given below:

COMPONENTS OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Components		Central Assistance
a)	District level Vocational Surveys	100% (Rs.20,000/- per district)
b)	Workshops for development of curricula, instructional material	100%
c)	Training of Resource Persons and Teachers	100%
d)	Purchase of equipment including library books	100% (Rs.1 lakh for each course)
e)	Construction of work-sheds	100% (Rs.1 lakh for each course)
f)	Evaluation and monitoring	100%
g)	Examination	Nil (State responsibility)
h)	Apprenticeship training	100%
i)	Purchase of raw material	50% (Rs.3000/- per year for vocational course)
j)	Field visits for practical training	50% (Rs.250/- per year per vocational course)
k)	Remuneration of part time teachers	100% (Rs.1000/- to Rs.1500/- per month)
l)	Salary of full time teachers	75%
m)	Guidance & counseling	Nil (State responsibility)

The following are the important aspects of Centrally Sponsored Schemes:

1. Management structure.
2. Selection of Institution – Vocational Survey
3. Selection of Courses – Vocational Survey
4. Assessment of manpower needs – Vocational Survey
5. Curriculum Development
6. Preparation of Instructional Material
7. Equipment and Raw Material
8. Selection of Teachers
9. Training of Teachers
10. Practical Training and Apprenticeship
11. Evaluation and Certification
12. Educational and Vocational Guidance
13. Modification of Recruitment Rules
14. Evaluation of Monitoring
15. Assistance to Voluntary Organisations
16. Procedure of grant to State/U.T Governments.

So far under Centrally Sponsored Schemes Government of India released an amount of Rs.59, 16,32,000/- for Vocational Education in Andhra Pradesh.