

PREFACE TO THE 5TH EDITION

The need for putting in place a mechanism as would ensure rapid growth and fast development of skilled manpower became more than evident and widely understood with the coming into being of a separate Ministry namely Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) at the central level a few years back. This gave a big impetus to the well-established vast network of Industrial Training Institutes, having already crossed 13000 mark. Further many other significant changes have lately taken place under the aegis of Directorate General of Training (DGT), which forms the heart throb of MSDE. Establishment of DGT's regional offices in each state / UT (notified in December 2018) is but one very important step aimed at ensuring effective integrated development and monitoring of skill training and apprenticeship training programmes at state level. Similarly DGT's MOU with National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) which aims at providing a pathway to candidates of ITI system to go for higher academic qualification in addition to their skills, is another important move. These are but examples of a couple of important changes that have been brought about by DGT since the publication of last edition of this management manual. There have been ongoing reforms in trade testing system, some of the institutes under DGT going in for offering diploma courses, etc. and several other issues which are important for ITI management to be aware of.

Having taken note of these changes, we have added in this edition a new appendix, wherein DGT's important orders issued till recent past have been compiled. We do hope that this new compilation (besides basic information and earlier compilation already included) will serve a useful purpose for planers, administrators and managers of ITI's and ITOT's. We, obviously, look for and welcome suggestions from our readers, which would help make further improvements in our future editions.

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