

**J-17060/6/2014- Aajeevika Skills  
Government of India  
Ministry of Rural Development  
Department of Rural Development  
(Aajeevika Skills Division)**

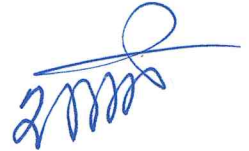
New Delhi, dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2014

**Notification No. 9/2014**

**Subject:** Certification of course and empanelment of third-party certifying agencies under Aajeevika Skills -reg

I am directed to refer to section 3.2.2.2.3 in the Aajeevika Skills Guidelines, 2013, which provides that course content for skilling courses may be certified by National Council for Vocational Training (NCVT) or the Sector Skill Council (SSC) for the specific trade or any other agency notified for the purpose by the Ministry of rural Development, or in special cases certification by nationally acknowledged proprietary training brands approved by the Ministry of Rural Development. Similarly, clause (ii) in section 3.2.2.2.6 of the Aajeevika Skills Guidelines provides for independent Third-Party certification and assessment of the course curriculum and the skill level of the trainee under the Aajeevika Skills by third-party agencies empanelled by NCVT or SSC or notified by Ministry of Rural Development. Self-certification is also permissible for established brands provided the Ministry has approved this in advance. However, the process for assessment and empanelment of certifying agencies in the Ministry of Rural Development is still underway in consultation with the stakeholders, and the Ministry cannot take up any requests for empanelment of agencies under the Aajeevika Skills Guidelines at present.

2. In view of the above, it is hereby stated that till further notification by the Ministry in this matter, applications shall be accepted only for such skilling projects where:
  - (i) skilling courses offered are certified by NCVT or SSC, and,
  - (ii) third-party certifying agency for the course content and assessment of trainee is empanelled with NCVT or SSC.
3. This notification shall come into force with immediate effect.
4. This issues with the approval of Joint Secretary (Skills).



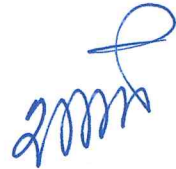
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To,

1. Secretary, Department of Rural Development (all States /UTs as per list).
2. All SRLMs (as per list)
3. Technical Support Agencies
3. All Project Implementing Agencies
4. Shri Abu Osama Saifi- with a request to upload the notification on website.

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