## Awareness Programme for Key Functionaries of Vocational Education as per National Education Policy 2020 and National Curriculum Framework for School Education 2023 for Western Region: 2 to 4 September, 2024

The Awareness Programme for Key Functionaries of Vocational Education, based on the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and the National Curriculum Framework for School Education (NCFSE) 2023, for the Western Region (PAC Code 21.23E), was held from September 2 to 4, 2024. Key functionaries, including officials from the State Department of Education of the western states were invited. 30 participants attended the programme—18 from Gujarat and 12 from Maharashtra. The programme was inaugurated by Dr Deepak Paliwal, Joint Director, PSSCIVE who outlined the objectives, followed by the programme coordinator explaining the schedule and topics to be covered. Participants were introduced to the implementation strategies of NEP 2020 and NCFSE 2023. Faculty members Dr. V. S. Mehrotra, Dr. V. K. Jain, Dr. Saurabh Prakash, Dr. Munesh Chandra, Dr. Pinki Khanna, Dr. Pravin Mahamuni, and Dr. Deepak Shudhalwar conducted technical sessions focused on these key topics. To assess the programme's effectiveness, pre-tests and post-tests were administered, and feedback from participants was collected. The participants expressed how the programme had benefited them. Dr. Deepak Shudhalwar, Professor and Head of the Department of Engineering and Technology, coordinated the programme.