

Master Trainers' Programme on Careers in Vocational Education and Entrepreneurship: 12-14 August 2025

The PSS Central Institute of Vocational Education (PSSCIVE), NCERT, Bhopal, organised a three-day Master Trainers' Training on "Careers in Vocational Education and Entrepreneurship" from 12th to 14th August 2025 for school counsellors from the Central and Western regions. Participants included Master Trainers from DIETs and SCERTs of Gujarat, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, and Rajasthan. The programme aimed to strengthen counsellors' capacity to guide students toward meaningful careers in vocational education and entrepreneurship.

The training was inaugurated by Dr. Deepak Paliwal, *Joint Director*, PSSCIVE, in the presence of Dr. Vipin Kumar Jain, *Programme Coordinator*. Over three days, participants engaged in expert-led sessions, virtual lectures, interactive discussions, and action plan presentations.

Key sessions of the programme covered diverse themes such as the Introduction to PSSCIVE and Implementation of Vocational Education by Dr. Vipin Kumar Jain and Dr. Prakash Chandra Rout; Career Guidance and School Counselling by Prof. Kiran Mathur and Dr. Parul Singh; Career Information and Self-Exploration by Prof. Vinay Swarup Mehrotra and Col. Santosh Kumar (Wadhwani Foundation); Entrepreneurship Motivation and Competencies by Mr. Tarun Bedi; and Flagship Government Programmes and Institutional Support for Entrepreneurship by Mr. Sanjeev Rana (KVIC) and Dr. Sangamesh Hugar.

Supported by the PSSCIVE team, the training provided a comprehensive and practical framework for empowering school counsellors to inspire students toward career readiness, innovation, and self-reliance, in line with the goals of NEP 2020 and *Viksit Bharat*.



