

## India Skills 2016 FINALE Winners announced; qualify for selections of WorldSkills International Competition Abu Dhabi 2017

**Each Winner awarded 1 lakh, First runner-up INR 75000 and Second Runner up INR 25,000**

**New Delhi, July 17:** Following an intense and high spirited first edition of India Skills Competition 2016 in the country's capital over the last three days, the closing ceremony of the largest skill based competition in the history of India, saw announcement of 24 winners in New Delhi today.

The winners were felicitated by the Hon'ble Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (Independent Charge) and have qualified for selection of WorldSkills International Competition Abu Dhabi 2017. Each runner up has been awarded a sum of 1 lakh rupees while the First and Second Runner up have been awarded 75,000 INR and 25000 INR respectively.



This was the first time ever that the competition of this scale has been held in the country. The competition saw more than 50,000 visitors at the India Skills Competition 2016. A young team of 192 participants in 24 skill categories represented different States this year led by, National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) and associate organisation, under the guidance of Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE). Students were in the age group of 18 to 22 years. Approximately 4,000 Competitors, Experts, Delegates, sponsors and partners, and supporters shared an emotional evening centred on recognizing the excellence of Competitors from around the country in the skills space.

**Congratulating all the winners, Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy, Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)** said “I am very proud to witness such fervour and enthusiasm between participants of IndiaSkills2016. This is our first edition of such a big scale and I am elated with the response we have from all over the country. I am certain, Team India will yet again prove it’s mettle on the global skills map at WorldSkills Abu Dhabi 2017.”

“India’s youth has a huge potential to make the country a clear leader in human resource worldwide. We have set the base for skill development and I urge all to come forward and benefit from the initiatives that we have launched,” he further added.

**Speaking on the occasion, Shri RohitNandan, Secretary, MSDE** said, “It has been an enriching experience for us to see the participants compete with each other like world class skilled competitors with such zest and passion. It has been an exhibition of pure passion and competence and it’s a huge moment of pride for us to award these 24 winners. It has been a great show from all our stakeholders in the skill ecosystem.”

#### List of Winners of IndiaSkills2016:

**(Insert list here: Name/Trade/City/State)**

Trade/Skill	Winner	Current City/State
Hair Dressing	Simran Kaur	Uttar Pradesh
Automobile Technology	Aditya Pratap Singh Rathore	Maharashtra
Auto Body Repair	Manmohan	Haryana
Car Painting	Shahad S. M	Kerala
Cooking	Siddharth Pandey	Delhi NCR
Mechatronics	AnandKumarT.A&Sumanth S.C	Karnataka
Jewellery Designing	SanjoyPramanik	West Bengal
Fashion Technology	Abhishek Dangi	Delhi NCR
IT Software	MeharNori	Telangana
Mechanical CAD	Marshal LazerWilson	Karnataka
Beauty Therapy	Nancy Verma	Delhi NCR
Brick Laying	DharmendraNetam	Maharashtra

Mobile Robotics	Samarth Goudar&Vibhor	Maharashtra
Electronics	HarshaPrabhakaran	Tamil Nadu
Patisserie	Akshay Gowda	Karnataka
Restaurant Service	Karan Dhaliwal	Delhi NCR
Wall and Floor Tiling	Sunil Kumar Rathlavath	Telangana
Web Design	Saurabh Gupta	Maharashtra
Welding	Rajesh Rajiwale	Maharashtra
Carpentry	Rajpal	Haryana
Fitter	ChennaramNaresh	Telangana
Electrician	M Vignesh	Tamil Nadu
Embroidery	Rajvinder Kaur	Punjab
Graphic Designing	Karthik Raj	Karnataka

In order to select the best talent to represent India at IndiaSkills, MSDE and NSDC completed more than 80 regional competitions in 24 skills/trades including hair stylist, welding, car painting, auto body repair, graphic designing, robotics to name a few.

Close to 4820 candidates registered to participate in the competition this year. Around 40 organisation like Mahindra, Tata, Maruti, Toyota, CII, FICCI, NASSCOM, CREDAI, NID, NIFT, came together to make IndiaSkills a success (including consortium partners). The Sector Skill Councils ensured standards aligned to National Skill Qualification Framework were followed in the competition to monitor the quality and standards of the competition which will be important to follow to compete at a world scale.

The shortlisted candidates from these events qualify for the final selection for WorldSkills International Competition at Abu Dhabi, 2017. It is a platform that has brought youth, industries, and educators together and provide youth an opportunity to compete, experience, and learn how to become the best in the skill of their choice.

At the last event organized at Sao Paolo, Brazil, in August 2015, a team of 29 candidates (all below 23 years of age) participated in 27 skills and won 8 medallions of excellence.

This event brought together key stakeholders including Central Ministries/Departments, State Governments, leading Industry Bodies, and trainees. India Skills Competition also aw seminars and forums around relevant topics like “Partnerships with all these stakeholders is vital to ensure Skill India’s success.

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