

ഭരണഭാഷ - മാതൃഭാഷ

സാങ്കേതിക വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ ഡയറക്ടറേറ്റ്
തിരുവനന്തപുരം

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വിഷയം:- സാങ്കേതിക- വിദ്യാഭ്യാസം- സാങ്കേതിക വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ ഡയറക്ടറുടെ കാര്യാലയം- അക്കാദമിക് സെക്ഷൻ- ഭാരത സർക്കാരിന്റെ കരിയർ നൈപുണ്യ വികസന-സംരംഭകത്വ മന്ത്രാലയത്തിന്റെ (MSDE) കീഴിൽ സംഘടിപ്പിക്കുന്ന ഇന്ത്യസ്കിൽസ് മത്സരം-സംബന്ധിച്ച്

സൂചന :- 22.08.2026 തീയതി കേരള അക്കാദമി ഫോർ സ്കിൽസ് എക്സലൻസ് നിന്നും വന്ന കത്ത് നം. KASE/215/2026-EXESC

മേൽ സൂചന പ്രകാരം ഭാരത സർക്കാരിന്റെ കരിയർ നൈപുണ്യ വികസന-സംരംഭകത്വ മന്ത്രാലയത്തിന്റെ (MSDE) കീഴിൽ സംഘടിപ്പിക്കുന്ന ഇന്ത്യസ്കിൽസ് മത്സരം, വൈവിധ്യമാർന്ന തൊഴിൽ മേഖലകളിലെയും നൈപുണ്യങ്ങളിലെയും യുവ പ്രതിഭകളെ കണ്ടെത്താനും പ്രോത്സാഹിപ്പിക്കാനും, വൈദഗ്ദ്ധ്യമുള്ള യുവാക്കൾക്ക് അവരുടെ കഴിവുകൾ പ്രകടിപ്പിക്കാനും വികസിപ്പിക്കാനും, ഒപ്പം അന്താരാഷ്ട്ര നൈപുണ്യ മത്സരങ്ങളിൽ ഇന്ത്യയെ പ്രതിനിധീകരിച്ച് പങ്കെടുക്കാൻ യോഗ്യത നേടാനുമുള്ള മികച്ചൊരു അവസരം ഒരുക്കുന്നു. ഇതിലേക്ക് രജിസ്റ്റർ ചെയ്യുന്നതിനുള്ള അവസാന തീയതി 15/09/2026 ആണ്. ഈ വകുപ്പിന് കീഴിലുള്ള എല്ലാ പോളിടെക്നിക് കോളേജ് സ്ഥാപന മേധാവികളുടെയും അറിവിലേക്കും, തുടർ നടപടികായി സൂചന കത്ത് ഇതോടൊപ്പം ഉള്ളടക്കം ചെയ്യുന്നു.

ANI ABRAHAM
SENIOR JOINT DIRECTOR (PS)

സവീകർത്താവ്,

1. ഈ വകുപ്പിന് കീഴിലുള്ള എല്ലാ പോളിടെക്നിക് കോളേജ് സ്ഥാപനമേധാവികൾക്കും ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ജീവനക്കാർക്കും (www.dtekerala.gov.in എന്ന വെബ്സൈറ്റ് മുഖാന്തിരം).
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KASE/215/2026-EXE SC

22-08-2026

To,
The Director,
Directorate of Technical Education,

Dear Sir/Madam,



Sub: IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 – Institutional Mobilisation of Youth Participation through Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) – reg.

The IndiaSkills Competition, organised under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), Government of India, is a premier national platform for identifying, nurturing and recognising young talent in a wide range of skills and occupational areas. The competition provides an opportunity for skilled youth to demonstrate excellence, enhance their competencies and aspire to represent India at international skill competitions.

The IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 is being conducted across 63 skill areas, comprising 56 individual skill categories and 7 team skill categories, covering a diverse range of occupational and industry-oriented skills. The wide range of skills covered provides opportunities for young people from different educational, vocational and training backgrounds to participate and showcase their competencies. Eligible youth in the age group of 16–25 years may participate in the competition, subject to the specific eligibility criteria prescribed for the respective skill.

The Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) is the Government of India's integrated digital platform for accessing and delivering a range of skilling, training and career-related services. The

platform is designed to provide a unified digital interface for citizens and stakeholders in the skill development ecosystem.

IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 – Kerala

The Kerala Academy for Skills Excellence (KASE), the designated State Skill Development Mission (SSDM) and Skill Secretariat under the Skill development Department, Government of Kerala, is facilitating the mobilisation of youth participation in the IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 across the State.

The State aims to ensure that the competition reaches a wide cross-section of eligible youth from all social groups across all districts, thereby providing talented candidates with opportunities to participate and showcase their skills.

In this regard, ITIs, Polytechnics, Engineering Colleges, Universities, Skill Training Centres, vocational institutions and other relevant educational and training establishments have an important role in creating awareness, identifying eligible candidates and encouraging participation.

The initiative is intended to:

- promote skill-based career pathways among youth;
- provide wider visibility and recognition to skilled young talent;
- encourage participation from institutions and youth across all districts;
- strengthen the linkage between education, vocational training, industry and skill development; and
- facilitate the identification and nurturing of talented candidates with the potential to compete at higher levels.

Action Requested

In the above context, you are requested to kindly:

1. Issue necessary instructions to all organisations, institutions and establishments under

your administrative control to disseminate information regarding the IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 and encourage eligible youth to participate.

2. Mobilise eligible students, trainees, apprentices, young professionals and other skilled youth associated with institutions under your administrative control to register and participate in the competition.
3. Facilitate identification of talented candidates in relevant skill areas and encourage them to participate in the competition and undertake the required stages of the selection process.
4. Nominate/identify a suitable nodal officer or institutional coordinator, wherever feasible, for coordinating awareness and mobilisation activities relating to the competition.
5. Ensure that eligible candidates are assisted in completing their registration through the Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) and that maximum possible participation is achieved within the prescribed timeline.

The official Skill India Digital Hub may be accessed at Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH)

The last date for registration is 15th September 2026. All concerned institutions are therefore requested to accord priority to the mobilisation of eligible candidates and facilitate completion of registrations within the stipulated time.

The active participation of Government departments, educational institutions, training providers, industry partners and other stakeholders is essential for ensuring broad-based participation and for identifying Kerala's skilled youth with the potential to excel at national and international platforms.

KASE looks forward to the active cooperation of your Department/Organisation in making the IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 a State-wide initiative for promoting skill excellence and strengthening the aspiration for skill-based careers among Kerala's youth.

For coordination, clarification and further information relating to the IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27, Shri Anoop P., Manager (Skill Convergence), Kerala Academy for Skills Excellence (KASE), has been designated as the Nodal Officer. He may be contacted at Mobile: 9495999636, E-mail: managerskillconvergence@gmail.com for matters relating to the mobilisation, registration and participation of eligible candidates.

Thanking You


Managing Director

G. DINESH KUMAR IFS
Chief Operating Officer
Kerala Academy for Skills Excellence

Enclosure:

1. IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27-At a Glance



Annexure

IndiaSkills Competition 2026–27 — At a Glance

1. About IndiaSkills Competition (ISC)

- **Organizing Body:** A biennial national competition organized by the **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)**, Government of India, and implemented by the **National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)**.
- **Purpose:** Identifies, nurtures, and rewards skilled youth across diverse technical, vocational, and industrial trades.
- **Global Pathway:** Serves as the official qualifying platform to select Team India for the WorldSkills Asia Competition (WSAC) 2027 and the WorldSkills Competition (WSC) 2028 (Aichi, Japan).

2. Vision & Strategic Objectives

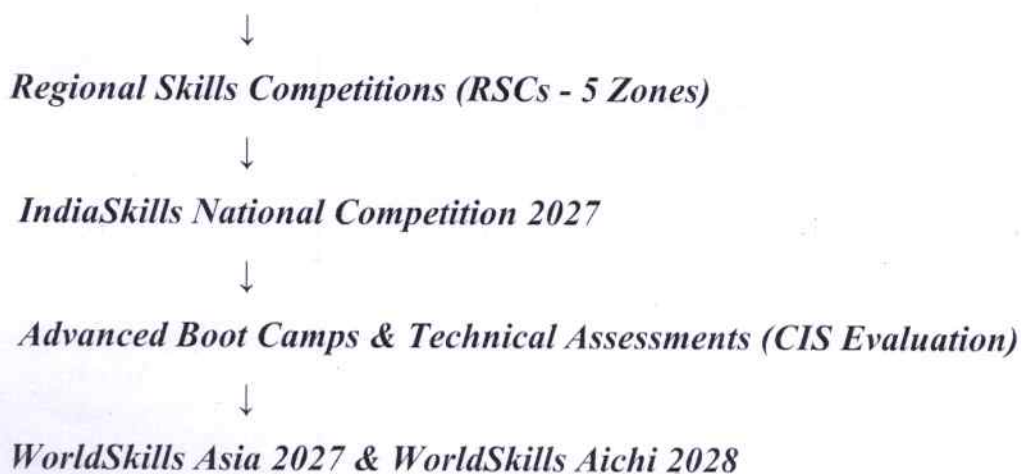
- **National Platform:** Provide a standardized national stage for young professionals to demonstrate technical competence and excellence.
- **Global Alignment:** Benchmark national skill standards against international WorldSkills Occupational Standards (WSOS).
- **Employability & Industry Linkage:** Equip youth with industry-ready, emerging competencies to bridge the gap between academic curricula and market demand.
- **Aspirational Skilling:** Elevate the status and prestige of technical and vocational careers among Indian youth.

3. Multi-Tier Competition Structure

Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH) Registration



District & State Competitions (Track I - SSDM) / Industry Track Competitions (Track II - SSC)



- **Registration Portal:** Mandatory centralized onboarding via the **Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH)** portal (with e-KYC validation; one candidate per skill).
- **State to Regional Progression:** Gold and Silver winners (Top 2) from State rounds, alongside up to 5 winners per skill from Industry Track II (1 per region), qualify for the **Regional Skills Competitions (RSC)**.
- **Regional to Nationals:** Top 3 winners (Gold, Silver, Bronze) from each RSC advance to the **IndiaSkills National Competition**.
- **Global Preparation:** National medalists undergo intensive, fully funded boot camps and Technical Skill Assessments (TSA) under WorldSkills India Experts (WSIE) prior to international representation.

4. Skill Categories (63 Skills Across 6 Major Sectors)

Competitions are organized across six primary industry-driven domains aligned with WorldSkills categories:

1. **Information & Communication Technology (ICT):** Cloud Computing, Cyber Security, Web Technologies, Software Applications Development, IT Network Systems Administration.
2. **Manufacturing & Engineering Technology:** Industry 4.0, Mechatronics, Additive Manufacturing, Autonomous Mobile Robotics, CNC Milling/Turning, CAD.
3. **Construction & Building Technology:** Digital Construction, Electrical Installations,

Plumbing & Heating, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning, Wall & Floor Tiling.

4. **Transportation & Logistics:** Aircraft Maintenance, Automobile Technology, Autobody Repair, Heavy Vehicle Technology, Logistics & Freight Forwarding.
5. **Creative Arts & Fashion:** 3D Digital Game Art, Graphic Design Technology, Fashion Technology, Jewellery, Visual Merchandising.
6. **Social & Personal Services:** Health & Social Care, Restaurant Service, Cooking, Bakery, Beauty Therapy, Dental Prosthetics.

5. Eligibility & Academic Alignment

- **Minimum Age:** 16 years (born on or before **01 January 2011**).
- **Maximum Age Criteria:**
- **General Skills (Age ≤ 22 years):** Born on or after **01 January 2006**.
- **Advanced/High-Tech Skills (Age ≤ 25 years):** Born on or after **01 January 2003** (Applicable to 13 skills: *Cloud Computing, Cyber Security, Industry 4.0, Mechatronics, Additive Manufacturing, Digital Construction, ICT Network Infrastructure, Industrial Design Technology, Optoelectronic Technology, Robot Systems Integration, Water Technology, Dental Prosthetics, and Aircraft Maintenance*).
- **Target Institutions:** Engineering Colleges, Polytechnic Colleges, Arts & Science Colleges, ITIs, and specialized Vocational Training Centres.
- **NSQF Creditization:** Competency achievements are pegged at **NSQF Level 4.5**, enabling participants to earn and accumulate academic credits directly linked to the **Academic Bank of Credits (ABC)** via SIDH.

6. Expected Outcomes for the State of Kerala

- **Mass Youth Participation:** Broad mobilization of students across all 14 districts through universities, polytechnics, and technical institutions.
- **Industry & International Exposure:** Familiarity with global assessment frameworks, cutting-edge machinery, and modern industry standards.
- **Academic-Industry Synergy:** Direct engagement of faculty and students with Sector

Skill Councils (SSCs) and national industry experts.

- **State Brand & Global Visibility:** Positioning Kerala's youth at the forefront of national and international skill podiums.

7. Key Timeline

- **Registration Portal:** <https://www.skillindiadigital.gov.in>
- **Last Date for Registration:** 15th September 2026

Key Alignment Notes against Official Guidelines:

- **Track II Quota:** The official guidelines provide for **up to 5 competitors per skill** (1 per region) moving from Track II to RSCs (corrected from 4).
- **Registration Platform:** Clarified as the **Skill India Digital Hub (SIDH)**.
- **Creditization Note:** Added the **NSQF Level 4.5 / Academic Bank of Credits (ABC)** linkage, as this provides a compelling academic incentive for university and higher education directors to encourage student participation.