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## **NSDC to float IT systems RFP on New Year Day**

*The request for proposal aims to connect and remotely manage close to 5000 training centers spread across India under 18 projects funded by the corporation*

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NEW DELHI, INDIA: National Skill Development Corporation will float Management Information System request for proposal (RFP) on this January 1 to connect and remotely manage close to 5000 training centers spread across India under 18 projects funded by the corporation.

“Everything has been done. The RFP has gone to NASSCOM for approval. This will help us in managing all the training centres that have been established under projects that we have funded. NSDC will bear the expenses of this RFP,” said Dilip Chenoy, CEO and MD, National Skill Development Corporation, at the TiE Entrepreneurial Summit 2010 here today.

Chenoy mentioned that NSDC has funded a total of 16 projects till date to train 22.85 million people by 2022 from 21 sectors, including technology. These projects funded by NSDC are mainly from IT/ITES, BPO, telecom, leather, textile, agriculture, para-health and informal or unorganized segment of the industry.

NSDC has earmarked a fund of Rs 400 crore to spend on these projects over a period of three to five years.

NSDC is also going to approve funding for two more projects that will take up the total number of trained skill set availability to 30 million in the next 10 years.

“We have set the target of creating training capacity of at least 4.8 million per annum by the end of the completion of these projects,” said Chenoy.

Chenoy did not disclose the details of the other two projects, as they are yet to be approved but hinted that one of the projects can become the biggest funded project by NSDC.

The biggest funding from NSDC of Rs 150 crore has been sanctioned to IL&FS for the creation of 100 mini-ITIs across India.

Chenoy added that NSDC is still looking for the proposal in the area of high-end IT training, media and entertainment and health sector for developing skills in the country.

To give a push to the skill development momentum, NSDC has also partnered with Intex Mobile and will use its phone with projector in training programs.

“You will see the deployment of this phone in training program in the next two to three months. These phones at present were one generation old. We expect that in a month’s time it will come with next-generation technology. We are going to use 3G and other equivalent technology for training program through this phone,” said Chenoy.

NSDC at the summit also signed an agreement with Empower Pragati Vocational and Staffing to train more than two million women and men across India. This joint venture between NSDC and Empower will have special focus on transforming the informal sector, which will include domestic helps and drivers.

NSDC will have 10 per cent equity in this joint venture and will also assist Empower Pragati in getting technical support for their program.

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