



Kaushalacharya Awards

 drishtiias.com/printpdf/kaushalacharya-awards

Recently, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) has launched **Kaushalacharya Awards** at Kaushalacharya Samadar 2019.

- Kaushalacharya Awards are launched in a bid to recognize the contribution **made by skill trainers and to motivate more trainers** to join the Skill India Mission.
- According to MSDE, it is estimated that India will need about **2.5 lakh trainers by 2022**, across the skilling ecosystem.
- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has introduced several schemes like **Skills Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Scheme (SANKALP)**, **Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY)**, **Pradhan Mantri Yuva Yojana (PM-YUVA)** etc. to impart skills in India's youth.
- **PMKVY** is the flagship scheme of the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE). Its objective is to enable a large number of Indian youth to take up **industry-relevant skill training** that will help them in securing a better livelihood.
- Pradhan Mantri Yuva Yojana (PM-YUVA), aims to **educate and equip** potential and **early-stage entrepreneurs** and catalyse a cultural shift to support aspiring entrepreneurs.
- **SANKALP** Scheme to focus on district-level skilling ecosystem through convergence and coordination.

Source: PIB