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## CM's vision: To create a pool of techies in Orissa

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The Orissa Government on Saturday decided to approach the World Bank and industrial houses to get financial and technical support to upgrade the technical institutes in the State.

The decision was taken at a high level meeting convened by the Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik. "My vision is to create more and more technically qualified youths in the State," Mr Patnaik said.

The Chief Minister reviewed a high level meeting on the Employment Mission and had an elaborate discussion on the future of technical education. He directed the officials to create expertise in human resources to meet the requirement of the upcoming industries.

The State has six government engineering colleges, 13 poly-technique colleges and 24 ITI colleges. All these institutes will be equipped with the latest technology and modern equipment. All vacant posts will be filled up with immediate effect.

A six-month practical training will be imparted to those students who have passed out and to those perusing their studies in the college. This year alone, 7,500 students will be imparted training in 22 subjects and 10,000 students will get practical training in the coming four years.

The Defence Ministry's proposal on Sukhoi-30 fighter plane project at Sunabeda also figured in the discussion. The State Government has decided to take benefit out of this project.

With the coming up the defence project, many ancillary industries will come up at Sunabeda in Koraput district. For the development of the ancillary industries, a cell will be set up at IPICOL to coordinate and monitor the works. To provide human resources to the upcoming industries in Sunabeda, a central tool room will be set up at Rayagada and lands to be provided by the State Government. The CIPET will open its branch at Rayagada.

For the growth of apparel industries, an apparel park will also come up in Bhubaneswar. The Institute of Textile Technology at Choudwar will be developed to cater to human resources needs of the apparel park.

For job opportunities in the handloom sector, the State Bank of India has agreed to provide loans to enhance the technical capabilities of workers.

The State Government will approach the Centre to set up a technical institute in line with the Biju Patnaik Steel Institute at Kalinga Nagar. Two more institutes will be set up at Jharsuguda and Paradip to train youths in steel making. Industry Minister Biswa Bhusan Harichandan, Chief Secretary Subas Pani, Development Commissioner Ajit Tripathy and other senior officials attended the meeting.


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