

**Skill on Wheels - An Awareness Drive**  
**(A Joint initiative of Samagra Shiksha Himachal Pradesh and Lend-A-Hand India)**

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With a primary objective to spread awareness and importance of vocational education in Himachal Pradesh, “Skills on Wheels - An Awareness Drive”, was driven by Samagra Shiksha Himachal Pradesh in collaboration with Lend-A-Hand India, a consulting partner with Samagra Shiksha for Vocational Education.

“Skills on Wheels” is a fully functional van especially designed to generate awareness about the splendour of vocational education amongst the community and at school level. The vehicle features includes display of tools and equipment for various trades/ subjects pursued under vocational education. It has work space to have hands-on-experience.



**Hon'ble Education Minister Sh. Suresh Bhardwaj Ji** flagged off “Skills on Wheels” drive from GSSS Chotta Shimla on 02-01-2020, aimed to tour 8 districts i.e. Shimla, Bilaspur, Mandi, Kangra, Hamirpur, Solan and Sirmour from 02-01-2020 to 11-01-2020. DIETs in coordination with Schools facilitated the program at respective districts. Approximately 2900 participants including Students, Principals, School Teachers, VTP State Coordinators, Vocational Trainers, Parents and Community people availed the benefit of programme. During event participants undergone hands on practice over equipment at work area and learned usage of tools at display section. Positive feedback of participant’s over experiences and learning from “Skills on Wheels” revealed the enormous success of programme.

## **Primary focus of the drive**

1. Awareness amongst the community about vocational education and its future prospects.
2. Hands-on experience of tools & equipment for the students and all other stakeholders.
3. Significant engagement of key stakeholder's i.e. Students, Trainers, Principal, Parents and Local Employer towards effective implementation of the existing program.
4. Conscious effort to enhance quality, admission percentage and retention in Vocational Education.

## **Activities during “Skills on Wheels”**

**Debriefing:** Orientation of participants towards importance of Vocational education along regular academics and its prospective in the “World of Work”.

Classification of sectors along horizontal and vertical mobility to showcase its prospect in transition from school-to-work.

Roles and functioning of key stakeholders in imparting qualitative vocational education and scaling of programme to its utmost level.



**Display of Workstation:** Overview of tools & equipment displayed, their specifications, usage and safety instructions that provides comprehensive outlook of sectors i.e. Agriculture, Automobile, Electronics, Healthcare, Carpentry, Plumbing, Security, ITes, Healthcare etc. in vocational education.

**Hands On:** Students undertake hands on practice over equipment on work area in the supervision of instructor. It helps student to have real experience of working on equipment, its usage and safety requirements needed.



**Experience Sharing:** During this session activities conducted to assess learning from Skills on Wheels. Participant's feedback collected on experiences and learning from Hands-On and tools at display area.



**Outreach:** Media coverage and experience sharing of participants helps to intensify the impact of programme amongst community.

**Count of Journey**

District	No. of Schools Attended	No of Trainers	No of Students	Number of Officials	Number of Parents & Industry People	Total Participants
Shimla	9	24	280	65	19	388
Bilaspur	3	15	130	25	18	188
Mandi	3	12	110	17	17	156
Sunder Nagar	2	8	150	12	8	178
Dharmshala	5	21	450	22	26	519
Hamirpur	10	19	165	18	22	224
Una	4	18	350	15	18	401
Solan	10	25	580	35	28	668
Nahan	4	15	120	15	17	167
<b>Total</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>2335</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>2889</b>

**Impact of the Programme**

- Participants able to distinguish significance of sectors i.e. Plumbing, Carpentry, Construction, Agriculture, Healthcare, Automobile, ITeS, Electronics, Telecom, Retail etc. in vocational education through live demonstrations and Hands on Experience
- Immersion of key stakeholders in qualitative implementation of Vocational Education across all levels.