

# Rural Self-Employment Training Institute (RSETI)

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## Background

RSETI concept is based on **RUDSETI** (Rural Development and Self Employment Training Institute), a society established jointly by three agencies i.e. Syndicate Bank, Canara Bank and Sri Manjunatheswara Trust based at Ujire in Karnataka.

## About RSETI

- RSETIs are managed by Banks with active co-operation from the Government of India and State Government.
- Dedicated institutions designed to ensure necessary skill training and skill up-gradation of the rural BPL youth to mitigate the unemployment problem.
- These are promoted and managed by banks with active cooperation from state governments
- One RSETI is established in every district in the country. The concerned bank is the lead bank in the district takes responsibility for creating and managing it. Government of India will provide one – time grant assistance, up to a maximum of Rs. 1 crore for meeting the expenditure on construction of the building and other infrastructure.
- After successful completion of the training, they will be provided with credit linkage assistance by the banks to start their own entrepreneurial ventures.

## Programme Structure & Contents:

Each RSETI should offer 30 to 40 skill development programmes in a financial year in various avenues. The programmes are of

short duration ranging from 1 to 6 weeks and could fall into the categories listed below:

- **Agricultural Programmes:** Agriculture and allied activities like dairy, poultry, apiculture, horticulture, sericulture, mushroom cultivation, floriculture, fisheries, etc
- **Product Programme:** Dress designing for men and women, rexine articles, incense sticks manufacturing, football making, bag, bakery products, leaf cup making, recycled paper manufacturing, etc.
- **Process Programmes:** Two-wheeler repairs, radio/TV repairs, motor rewinding, electrical transformer repairs, irrigation pump-set repairs, tractor and power tiller repairs, cell phone repairs, beautician course, photography and videography, screen printing, domestic electrical appliances repair, computer hardware, and DTP.
- **General Programmes:** Skill development for women
- **Other Programmes:** Related to other sectors like leather, construction, hospitality and any other sector depending on local requirements.

Training programmes will be decided by the institute based on the local resource situation and potential demand for the products/services. A uniform standardized curriculum would be developed and circulated among the institutes. There shall be two sets of training curriculums in all the RSETIs:

1. Basic orientation programme courses for SGSY SHGs.
2. Skill development programmes for micro enterprise and wage employment/placement.

Soft skill training shall be an integral part of all the training programmes.

### **Selection of trainees:**

At least 70% of the trainees should be from the rural BPL

category certified by the DRDA. Proper weightage, as per SGSY guidelines will be given to SC/STs, minorities, physically challenged and women.

**Recognition of RSETI trainees:**

Certificates issued by an RSETI will be recognized by all banks for purposes of extending credit to the trainees. It means that RSETI trained rural youths will be free to access any scheduled bank for loan/credit.

**Credit Linkage:**

Credit needs of trainees will be appraised by RSETIs and the sense will be conveyed to the bank branches. The trainees could avail bank loans under SGSY or any other government-sponsored programmes.