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Tertiary Education & Training for Green jobs

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Prioritizing Education, Job Training and Skills Development to prepare Young People for a Green Economy

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Key to presentation

• Recent reforms in Tertiary & Vocational Education and Training in Sri Lanka

• Education, Training and Skills Development for a Green Economy
Reforms in Tertiary & Vocational Education and Training in Sri Lanka
Sri Lankan socio-economic context in brief

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<th>Population</th>
<th>20.6 M</th>
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<td>Per capita GDP</td>
<td>2,368 US $</td>
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<td>GNP Growth rate</td>
<td>7.9%</td>
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<td>Labour force</td>
<td>8.1 M.</td>
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<td>Employment</td>
<td>7.2 M. (Public 1.2M)</td>
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<td>Rate of unemployment</td>
<td>4.9%</td>
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<td>Student enrollment to Grade 1</td>
<td>332,000 approx.</td>
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<td>Completion of primary education</td>
<td>98%</td>
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<td>Completion of Grade O/L</td>
<td>58% (2010)</td>
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<td>University admission</td>
<td>22,500 approx.</td>
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<td>Literacy rate</td>
<td>92%</td>
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<td>Population below poverty line</td>
<td>8.9%</td>
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Present scenario of GDP

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<th>Industry/sector</th>
<th>2009 (Rs. B)</th>
<th>2010</th>
<th>Share of GDP (%)</th>
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<td>Agriculture</td>
<td>295</td>
<td>315</td>
<td>12</td>
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<td>Industry</td>
<td>701</td>
<td>760</td>
<td>28</td>
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<td>Services</td>
<td>1452</td>
<td>1569</td>
<td>60</td>
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<td>Gross Domestic Product</td>
<td>2449</td>
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Source: Central Bank Report
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Conventional Education

- Primary and Secondary Education
  - Primary (year 1 – 5). At year 5 there is a competitive scholarship exam
  - Junior secondary (year 6 – 9)
  - Senior secondary (year 9 – 13). At year 11 GCE (O/L Examination)
  - After studying another two years in selected subject streams (Science, Mathematics, Commerce and Arts streams) the students appear for GCE A/L Examination for university admission
  - couple of days back Government extended G.C.E A/L with Technology stream where students could choose TVET as their career

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**Government**

- Ministry of Youth Affairs & Skills Development
- Ministry of Higher Education
- Other Ministries engaged in TVET
- DTET
- NAPTA
- VTAC
- NYSCE
- NIBM
- CGTI
- SLU
- SUTE
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Thrust of Reforms

The main thrust of the reforms proposed were to build the Sri Lankan workforce with quality assured requisite skills that are essential for industrial upgrading and diversification. In achieving this objective, the TVET system is to be demand driven, in cooperation with the private sector who will be the eventual employers.

Cause for establishment of NVQ

TVET system prior to reforms
- Different qualifications
- No clear quality assurance process
- Lack of industry focus
- No qualification upgrading pathways

Objective of NVQ
- Provide a framework for quality assurance in TVET with distinctively identified levels of competencies
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Integrate model with key stakeholders of NVQ

Structure of NVQ

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<th>Qualification</th>
<th>Generalised Description</th>
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<td>National Certificate</td>
<td>Level 1 recognizes the acquisition of entry level competencies</td>
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<td>Level 2</td>
<td>National Certificate</td>
<td>Levels 2, 3 and 4 recognize increasing levels of competencies. Level 4 qualification provides for full craftsmanship/ workmanship.</td>
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<td>Level 3</td>
<td>National Diploma</td>
<td>Level 5 and 6 recognize the increasing levels of competencies of technicians including supervision and process management.</td>
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<td>Level 7</td>
<td>Bachelors Degree</td>
<td>Level 7 recognizes the vocational/technological competencies at Bachelors Degree level</td>
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Hierarchy of qualification upgrading

- B.Tech in Construction Technology – NVQ 7
- Diploma in Construction Technology – NVQ 5/6
- Welder, Electrician, Plumber, Bar Bender etc. – NVQ 1 - 4

National Vocational Qualification Levels

Core entry/basic skills (NVQ Level 1)

- Work under Supervision
- Work under some supervision
- Work independently
- Supervise others
- Manage others
- Involve with Design and innovation

Certificates

- NVQ Level 2
- NVQ Level 3
- NVQ Level 4
- NVQ Level 5
- NVQ Level 6
- NVQ Level 7

Diplomas

- Deg
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Quality assurance

TVEC is responsible for quality assurance

- Registration of training providers (Public and Private)
- Course accreditation
- Auditing of Quality Management Systems
- Periodic monitoring for maintenance of accreditation and QMS
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NVQ certificates
Since 2006 over 66,000 NVQ certificates issued
Two routes to award qualifications – CBT & RPL

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TVEC’s commitment for Environment


We maintain a sound Human Resource Management system to achieve TVEC’s corporate objectives and also to protect the environment in and around TVEC.
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To address competencies required for Green Jobs in the main training material of NVQ
- National Competency Standards
  With a view of (3Rs)
  • reduce
  • recycle
  • reuse
  All three scenarios provide financial returns
  - Municipal Solid Waste Operations Assistant
  - Solid Waste Operators
  - Basic Competencies to Work
  - Environmental Management Technology and Forestry
  - Other occupations/technology with sufficient component of environmental aspects as common competency units
  - Occupational specific competency units

Municipal Solid Waste Operations Assistant – NVQ Level 2

Competency Units

• Promote solid waste minimization & reuse
• Segregate solid waste at source
• Collect segregated solid waste
• Transport segregated solid waste
• Treat solid waste
• Dispose residue
• Maintain cleanliness of the environment
• Maintain relationship with general public, supervisors/colleagues
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Solid waste Operators in action at an assessment – NVQ Level 2
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Solid waste Operators in action at an assessment – NVQ Level 2
Municipal Solid Waste Operators (supervisory capacity)

- Promote solid waste minimization and reuse
- Supervise solid waste operational workforce
- Maintain equipment, tools & material
- Ensure appropriate solid waste collection
- Supervise transportation & unloading of solid waste
- Ensure appropriate segregation, storing & recycling of solid waste
- Ensure systematic composting process
- Ensure the systematic bio gas process
- Ensure sanitary land filling operations
- Perform selling activities

Basic Competencies to Work – World of Work

- Apply occupational numeracy & literacy
- Practice workplace communication & interpersonal relations
- Practice occupational Health, Safety and basic competencies required for environmental protection
- Use of basic hand tools
- Work in teams
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Environmental Management Technology

- Waste Management, e-waste management
- Effluent Management
- Toxic chemical waste Management
- Recycling, reuse & reducing techniques
- Environmental Conservation
- Air, sound, water, soil pollution
- Conservation of water
- ISO 14001 EMS

Way forward.................

- Training of Trainers with special emphasis for green jobs
- Introduce new courses embedded with green concept
- Special technological training on effluent treatment, waste minimization techniques, pollution controls
- Exposure of good practices on green jobs
- Special On the Job Training programmes for green aspects
- Techniques for transformation of attitudinal changes among TVET students for a better image building in green aspects
- Modern teaching/delivery techniques for courses/programmes with green jobs
- Incorporate environmental aspects for G.C.E A/L technology stream
Thank you!