

Skills In-Sight

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Prologue:

Skills In-sight: This is an initiative launched during the 5th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Furniture and Fittings Skill Council (FFSC) to provide insights into the skill ecosystem in short bytes and keep stakeholders updated. The weekly update will share the major activities and initiatives which the council has initiated in the week.

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FFSC's Achievements



60+ Industries & Associations as Members

22 Industry Recognised Job Roles

35+ Associated Training Partners

210+ Associated Trainers Pan-India

155+ Associated Assessors Pan-India

170000+ Certified under Recognition of Learning (RPL) Program

19000+ Certified under Short Term Training (STT) Program

200+ Enrolled as Apprentices

250+ Participants competed in WorldSkills Competition 2019

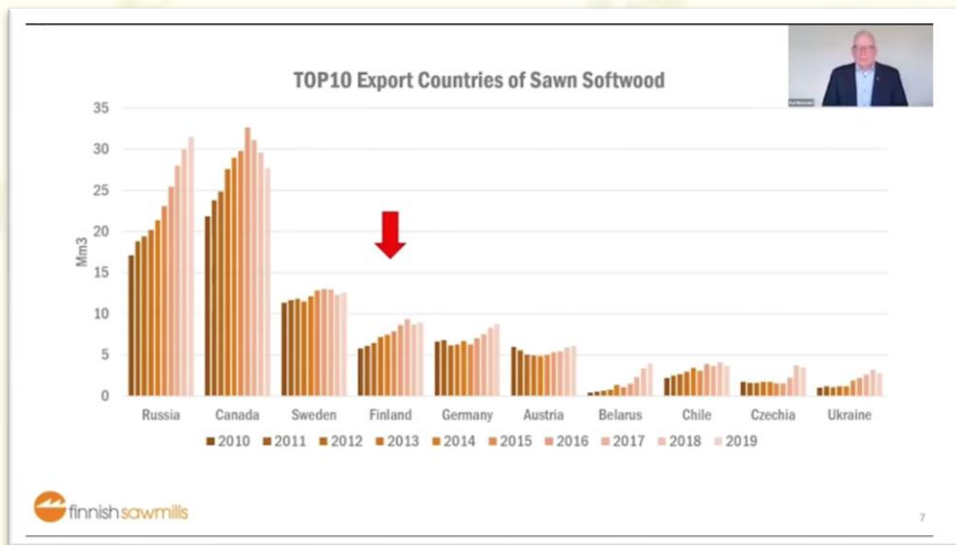
Over 189000+ Benefitted & Counting

News from Skill Ecosystem

Wood from Finland – India webinar

The 'Wood from Finland' campaign organized the second Wood from Finland webinar for India on the 5th of May.

The main objectives of the webinar were to promote new business partnerships between Finnish suppliers and their Indian customers and enhance awareness about sustainable high-quality forest products from Finland.



Agenda for the webinar:

- Welcome Note Mr. Kari Hiltunen, Program Director, Wood from Finland
- Turbulence within the Global Sawn Softwood Trade Mr. Kai Merivuori, Managing Director, Finnish Sawmills Association
- Indian Timber Market regarding WFF Mr. Manhor Bhai Agicha Former President, Timber Importers Association
- LAB University of Applied Sciences: Modern wood product training and education in Finland Mr. Esa Mikkonen, Senior Lecturer, Wood Technology, LAB University
- Company Introductions

For the full webinar [Click Here](#)

Engagements

New Industry Member of FFSC – Indian Wood Craft

We would like to introduce Indian Wood Craft who has become a member of FFSC's General Body in the micro & small-scale category.

Indian Wood Craft will be represented by Mr. Aditya Jain who is the Proprietor.

A brief overview of the company is given below:



'Indian Wood Craft is one of the biggest manufacturers of Epoxy Resin Furniture under its brand name Epoxyium™ and a wide range of wooden items under the name of Indian Wood Craft.

Indian Wood Craft is a family-owned company and Epoxyium™ is a brand of the same. They are manufacturers of Home & Living furnishing and have been present in the market since 2018. They are committed to providing you with a variety of quality products.

They aspire to capture nature's beauty and showcase them with products in their most authentic potential.

With the help of their logistic partners like industry leader - FedEx and brilliant distribution network, they have successfully delivered their products across 11 countries, over 17 states, and 5 UTs across India.

Alongside making epoxy resin products, they have a myriad of other products using solid wood.'

Standards Development

Stakeholders Townhall for Industry Validation on new Qualifications

Furniture and Fittings Skill Council (FFSC) organized a Stakeholders Townhall through video conferencing on 7th May 2021. The session saw participation from more than 50 representatives and experts from the industry partners of FFSC.

The purpose of the session was to take validation and feedback from the Industry Partners on the new Qualification Packs (QPs) under the Furniture Installation group. Industry being the key stakeholder for the skilling ecosystem is involved in each stage of the development of the Qualification Packs (QPs).



The following were the key discussions during the session:

- Process of creation of Qualification Packs (QPs)
- Board of Standards (BoS) and NOS Groups
- Structure of a Qualification Pack
- Model Curriculum, Participant Handbook, and Facilitator Guide
- Validation format and Timelines
- Questions and suggestions from the participants

Career Management

Stakeholders Consultation Webinar on Amendments in the Apprentices Act by MPSSDEGB

Madhya Pradesh State Skill Development & Employment Generation Board (MPSSDEGB) organized a 'Stakeholders Consultation Webinar on Amendments in the Apprentices Act' in coordination with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) on 7th May 2021.

UNDP and CII in partnership with the Directorate of Skill Development (DSD) & Madhya Pradesh State Skill Development & Employment Generation Board (MPSSDEGB), Government of Madhya Pradesh organized the webinar to brief the changes and get stakeholder suggestions for the proposed concept note by the MSDE, Government of India.



The key stakeholders who participated in the webinar were:

1. Industries Associations
2. Industries / Employers – Service and Manufacturing sector
3. ITI's, Polytechnics, colleges
4. NAPS service providers
5. Skill training providers
6. Relevant Government departments

The Government is now bringing out amendments in the Apprenticeship Act that will go a long way in encouraging Industry to come forward and engage apprentices. The key purpose of the webinar was to take the consultation from the stakeholders regarding the proposed amendments.

WorldSkills Competition

#SkillsFounders: Skills of an entrepreneur, skills of a Champion

From WorldSkills Champions to BeChangeMaker social entrepreneurs, we are exploring the skills and personal qualities young people use to build their businesses.

WorldSkills Champions are known for developing transferable skills that make them strong employees, but how do can those same skills prepare them for the world of entrepreneurship?



Throughout May, WorldSkills will be highlighting young people who have applied their skills expertise to entrepreneurial ventures, #SkillsFounders. From WorldSkills Champions to BeChangeMaker social entrepreneurs, we will explore the skills and personal qualities they use to build their own business.

In May, the latest BeChangeMaker opportunity launches, this time focused on African entrepreneurs. Both the international and African BeChangeMaker programs provide coaching, resources, and training to support social entrepreneurs change the world through their business ideas.

Honing business skills, in a combination of technical skills better prepares young people for the evolving reality of the economy. Increased business skills create increase prospects, more opportunities, and greater professional freedom.

Source: WorldSkills Official – For the full article [Click Here](#)

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