

## PM Vishwakarma scheme

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### Why in News?

*Under PM Vishwakarma scheme, capacity-building support is provided to artisans and craftspeople through basic skill training and advanced training with stipend support.*

- **Aim** - It is a **central sector scheme** to support traditional artisans and craftspeople (Vishwakarmas) of rural and urban India.
- **Launched in** - 2023.
- **Duration** - 5 years (FY 2023-24 to FY 2027-28).
- **Nodal Ministry** - Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises.
- **Target Group** - Covers **18 trades** including carpenters, potters, blacksmiths, goldsmiths, tailors, barbers, and sculptors.
- **Implementing Agency** - The scheme is conjointly implemented by the following Ministries/Departments:
  - Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MoMSME).
  - Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE).
  - Department of Financial Services (DFS), Ministry of Finance (MoF).
- **Benefits- Recognition** - PM Vishwakarma Certificate and ID Card.
- **Skill Training**- 5-7 days of basic training and 15+ days of advanced training with a stipend of Rs.500/day.
- **Tool Kit Incentive** - A grant of Rs.15,000 for modern tools.
- **Credit Support** - Collateral-free loans up to Rs.1 Lakh (first tranche) and up to Rs.2 Lakh (second tranche) at a concessional 5% interest rate.
- **Marketing Support** - Assistance with branding and platform access.
- **Eligibility**- Must be a traditional **artisan (18+ age) working** in the unorganized sector, using hand tools, and not have availed similar loans in the last 5 years.
- **Exclusions** - A person in government service and their family members shall not be eligible.

- **Registration** - Free registration is available through Common Services Centres (CSCs) using Aadhaar-based biometrics.

### Quick facts

18 trades of PM - Vishwakarma	
<b>Wood Based</b>	Carpenter (Suthar/Badhai)
	Boat Maker
<b>Iron/Metal/Stone Based</b>	Armourer
	Blacksmith (Lohar)
	Hammer and Tool Kit Maker
	Locksmith
	Sculptor (Moortikar/Stone Carver), Stone Breaker
<b>Gold/Silver Based</b>	Goldsmith (Sunar)
<b>Clay Based</b>	Potter (Kumhaar)
<b>Leather Based</b>	Cobbler (Charmkar)/Shoemaker/Footwear Artisan
<b>Construction Based</b>	Mason (Raajmistri)
<b>Other Crafts</b>	Basket/Mat/Broom Maker/Coir Weaver
	Doll & Toy Maker (Traditional)
	Barber (Naai)
	Garland Maker (Malakaar)
	Washerman (Dhobi)
	Tailor (Darzi)
	Fishing Net Maker

### Reference

[PIB | PM Vishwakarma Support Women Artisans and Entrepreneurs](#)