



# Pratham Education Foundation

Youth and Skilling Program



## An India Perspective

- ➔ India has one of the youngest and the largest workforce in the world with **12 million** youth entering the job market annually<sup>1</sup>
- ➔ Less than **5%** are recognised as formally skilled<sup>1</sup>
- ➔ Over **81%** of this workforce is employed by the informal economy in non-salary based jobs<sup>2</sup>
- ➔ India's female labor-force participation rate has been declining over the last few years and is currently around **20%**<sup>3</sup>

Sources:

1. <https://msde.gov.in/sites/default/files/2019-09/National%20Policy%20on%20Skill%20Development%20and%20Entrepreneurship%20Final.pdf>
2. [https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---dgreports/---dcomm/documents/publication/wcms\\_626831.pdf](https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---dgreports/---dcomm/documents/publication/wcms_626831.pdf)
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## How is Pratham Skilling addressing the gap?



➔ **Pratham Skilling** programs across the country enable youth to access entry-level positions and placements in 10 major vocations

➔ **Short-term courses** operated through various models including residential, hybrid, community-based etc for **First-generation entrants** (ages 18 to 30) into the formal economy

➔ **Training** is offered by working alongside industry partners to ensure skills are relevant to the everchanging industry needs.

*“Every Youth  
Better Equipped  
For the Future”*



**140+**  
Centers



**200,000+**  
Youth Trained  
since 2005



**2500+**  
Industry Partners



**85%**  
Placement Rate

