

**F. No. MSDE-14(02)/2021 AP- (PMU)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship**  
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Shram Shakti Bhawan, New Delhi  
25<sup>th</sup> January, 2022

**OFFICE ORDER**

**Subject: Examination reforms in the Apprenticeship Training-reg.**

Reference to the O.Ms issued by Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship for the simplification of processes in the apprenticeship training, it is informed that the ITI passed candidates/National Trade Certificate qualifications holders shall be exempted from trade theory examination to get National Apprentice Certificate (NAC). The results will be declared based on the marks obtained in the practical examinations. The order will be effective from 1st Jan 2022 and will be applicable retrospectively to ITI passed candidates who have cleared practical AITT exam but not cleared the Trade Theory examination.

Further, industries engaging apprentices in the Designated Trades must conduct the practical examinations in the last week of the training. Accordingly, the final certificate should be issued on the last day of the apprenticeship training in the Designated Trades.

This is issued with the approval of the competent authority.

  
K. Srinivasa Rao  
Director (MSDE Apprenticeship)

**To,**

1. All the State Apprenticeship Advisors (As per the list enclosed)
2. All the Regional Directors, Regional Directorate of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (as per the list enclosed)
3. Chief Operating Officer, NSDC

**Copy to:**

1. PPS to Secretary, MSDE
2. AS/DG, DGT
3. COO, NSDC
4. DD, MSDE with the request to forward the O.M. to the State Governments, RDSDEs and to upload them on the web portal.