**About ESDM Scheme**

Under the aegis of ‘Digital India’ programme launched by Hon’ble Prime Minister and estimation of growth in employment in Electronics industry, DeitY has approved a Scheme for “Skill Development in Electronic System Design Manufacturing (ESDM) sector for Digital India” on 09.12.2014 to cover all the States/UTs of the country in order to facilitate creation of an eco-system for development of ESDM sector.

This scheme facilitates skill development in ESDM sector focusing on students/unemployed youth at 9-10th standard onwards, ITI, Diploma, Non-engineering graduates, etc. to increase their employability to work in ‘Manufacturing’ and ‘Service support’ functions. NIELIT-PMU is managing and supporting DeitY in implementation and monitoring of the scheme in identified States/UTs including fund processing to KIAs and TPs. DeitY has also developed a portal <https://esdm-skill.deity.gov.in> to monitor development of training under ESDM. TSSC, ESSCI and NIELIT are Key Implementing Agency (KIA) for this scheme and their registered Training Partners (TPs) finally gives training to end beneficiaries (candidates). 73 courses had been proposed by DeitY, basically from Electronics, Telecommunication and IT sectors. This scheme also facilitates to give employment to passed candidates through TPs.

**Role of JAPIT in ESDM Scheme**

JAPIT has been nominated as State Implementing Agency (SIA) to implement skill development initiative under ESDM. The role of JAPIT includes monitoring, giving employment support, liaising with KIAs, TPs and Industries etc. The target given by DeitY to state of Jharkhand to be trained in first year is 3,000 candidates in 2015-16 and 15,000 in another four years. Till now 36 training partners have been registered in all 3 KIAs in Jharkhand. 3121 candidates have been registered so far under this scheme. Out of 73 courses, 14 courses are running in Jharkhand under ESDM like Field Technician-Air Conditioner, Solar Panel Installation Technician, Field Technician-Networking and Storage, LED Mechanical Assembly Operator etc.

**Purpose of Workshop**

The purpose of this workshop is to get a forum for all stakeholders (DeitY, SIA, NIELIT-PMU, KIAs, TPs, Industries and Candidates) to discuss different issues, challenges, support, solution and prepare strategy for strengthening of skill development initiation in ESDM sector.