NAVYA 2.0 skilling scheme for girls to be launched at Haridwar

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News

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Background

- The first phase of NAVYA (launched on 24 June 2025 at Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh) gave vocational training to adolescent girls aged 16–18 who have passed Class 10, in non-traditional and emerging trades such as drone assembly, smartphone repair, solar PV and CCTV installation, and graphic design. It is run under PMKVY 4.0 in aspirational districts.
- The Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship was created in November 2014. The Skill India Mission and its flagship Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) were launched on 15 July 2015.
- July 15 is observed as World Youth Skills Day, as declared by the United Nations.

Tamil Nadu link: The Tamil Nadu Skill Development Corporation (TNSDC) is the State's main agency for skill training; it launched the "Naan Mudhalvan" programme on 1 March 2022.

Frequently asked questions

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Practice questions (with answers)

1. Where is NAVYA 2.0 being launched on 28 November 2026?

A) Varanasi

B) Rishikesh

C) Haridwar

D) Dehradun

Answer: C – Explanation: NAVYA 2.0 is being launched at Haridwar, Uttarakhand; the first phase began at Sonbhadra, Uttar Pradesh, in 2025.

2. In its first phase (2025), NAVYA gave vocational training to whom?

A) Adolescent girls aged 16–18 who passed Class 10

B) Tribal boys

C) Retired soldiers

D) Women farmers

Answer: A – Explanation: In the first phase, girls aged 16–18 who passed Class 10 learnt non-traditional trades like drones and solar PV.

3. Which Ministry runs NAVYA jointly with the Ministry of Women and Child Development?

A) Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

B) Rural Development

C) Tribal Affairs

D) Education

Answer: A – Explanation: MWCD and MSDE run NAVYA together under PMKVY 4.0.

4. NAVYA 2.0 will be implemented in how many districts?

A) 27

B) 100

C) 112

D) 250

Answer: B – Explanation: NAVYA 2.0 covers 100 districts in 24 States/UTs, for women aged 16–25.

5. When is World Youth Skills Day observed?

A) 12 January

B) 12 August

C) 15 March

D) 15 July

Answer: D – Explanation: World Youth Skills Day is 15 July; the Skill India Mission was launched on 15 July 2015. 12 January – National Youth Day; 12 August – International Youth Day.