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11. Subject: Active participation of pharmaceutical and Bio- pharmaceutical manufacturing units in the recognition of prior learning with best- in- class Employers (RPL-BICE) under Pardhan mantrei kaushal vikas yojana(PMKVY) 2016-20 reg.

Recognition of prior learning (RPL) under Pardhan mantrei kaushal vikas yojana 2016-20 was initiated by ministry of skill development and existing skill sets & prior experience of the beneficiaries and provide certification after assessment through –RPL Camps, Employers Premises and Centres. Subsequently, the idea of RPL with Best in class Employers (RPL-BICE) was launched considering the immense potential of this mode of RPL.

RPL will enable advancement of formalized skilling in the industry which will serve as a benchmark for internal improvements and comparison amongst the various players in the industry.

The RPL-BICE certificate and formalization will lead to an increase in skilled manpower, improved safety and productivity.

The government of india had entrusted the work relating to development of qualification packs (National occupational Standards) to the life Sciences Sector Skill Development Council (LSSSDC) with the objective of upgrading the skills of persons employed in the life sciences sector in the country. RPL was launched in September 2016 at LSSSDC under mandate of ministry of skill Development and Entrepreneurship.

Considering the importance of RPL, MSDC has requested Ministry of health and Family Welfare to issue an advisory for actively participation in the recognition of Prior Learning with Best-inclass Employers (RPL-BICE) under Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana (PMKVY) 2016-20.