What is the JuniorSkills?

JuniorSkills is a skill championship being organised to provide school children an opportunity to explore skills, technical and vocational education (TVET) and make informed career choices in a rapidly changing world, so that they can contribute to India’s growth through their skills.

NSDC, in collaboration with CBSE, is pleased to introduce ‘JuniorSkills’, a first of its kind skill championship for students studying in standard VI - XII. With standards at par with IndiaSkills and WorldSkills, JuniorSkills 2021 is envisaged to build and strengthen the aspirations of the youth towards vocational education.

Why participate in the JuniorSkills?

- Opportunity to participate in India’s 1st JuniorSkills Championship
- National recognition – certificate of participation
- Exposure for students from standard VI-XII, to help them make informed career choices
- Benchmark skills to international standards and assessment norms – exposure to IndiaSkills competition
- Create role models among youth to strengthen skills aspirations in the country
- A step towards creating future-ready skilled workforce
- Promoting awareness about ‘Traditional Skills’ and opportunities in the emerging job market in the current and future scenario
- Cash rewards
- Opportunity to travel to WorldSkills International, which is considered to be ‘Olympics of Skills’

Who can participate in JuniorSkills?

Students from schools within India from standard VI-XII can participate in the championship.

What is the selection process and how to participate?
Potential competitors can register through our online registration portal - [www.worldskillsindia.co.in/juniorskills2021](http://www.worldskillsindia.co.in/juniorskills2021) to participate in JuniorSkills 2021. The screening and selection will be done by NSDC in partnership with academic and industry partners, and its associated Sector Skill Councils in four selection rounds. Sector Skill Councils are autonomous industry bodies. The students who clear the first three selection rounds will showcase their skills at the JuniorSkills finals.

**Q. What is the format of the rounds?**

**A.** Each round of the JuniorSkills Championship and subsequent webinars, designed to prepare participants for the next qualifying round, will be held online. The final round will be held on-ground. For further information in the format of JuniorSkills 2021, click [here](http://www.worldskillsindia.co.in/juniorskills2021).

**Q. How will the assessment of questions take place?**

**A.** Assessment at JuniorSkills 2021 (after the initial screening round, consisting of MCQs without negative marking for incorrect answers) falls under two types, for which explicit benchmark is essential, namely – Measurement and Judgment. Measurement is used to assess accuracy, precision etc. and is marked as a binary – ‘YES/NO’ or against a predetermined scale of conformity to a given benchmark. Judgement is used to assess the quality of performance. There might be small difference in view when applying external benchmarks. It is marked independently by experts and then collated. In the event of unethical conduct on the part of participants, final decisions will be in the hands of the Jury and Competition Committee. For more information on the marking system for the championship, including the test project, click [here](http://www.worldskillsindia.co.in/juniorskills2021).

**Q. How will students get to know about the next round?**

**A.** The names of the participants going through to the next round of the championship will be displayed on the website. They can be seen [here](http://www.worldskillsindia.co.in/juniorskills2021).
Will finalists have to bear the cost for travelling to the JuniorSkills finals?

Logistics for the JuniorSkills final will be borne by NSDC.

What is the role of NSDC?

The role of the National Skill Development Corporation:

- National Skill Development Corporation is a Public-Private-Partnership organisation established under Companies Act. It has 49% equity held by the Government through Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and 51% by private organisations.
- NSDC acts as the Secretariat of JuniorSkills, IndiaSkills and WorldSkills in India.
- Establishes linkages and contact with various stakeholders of the industry to promote skilling competitions.
- Provide support and synergy for the efforts of WorldSkills India through its skill development initiatives.

What is WorldSkills International?

WorldSkills International (WSI), established in 1950, is an organisation of 85 member countries. The WorldSkills International Competition is the largest skill competition in the world, organised once every two years in one of the member countries. More than 1300+ contestants below the age of 23 compete for gold, silver, and bronze medals in over 50 skills. The competition is held over a span of four days.

What is WorldSkills India?
WorldSkills India is an initiative of the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC), in partnership with Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship. This organisation has been leading India’s participation at WorldSkills International competitions since 2011.

WorldSkills India is responsible for the selection, development, management and participation of Team India in the WorldSkills International Competitions and other international competitions.

WorldSkills India makes the final decisions about any issues regarding every stage of the international competition journey and selection processes. To know more, visit www.worldskills.co.in