Ministry of Minority Affairs invites request for proposal (RFP) in the prescribed format from the eligible organizations/institutions for empanelment to undertake training programme under “Upgrading the Skills and Training in Traditional Arts/Craft for Development” (USTTAD) for the years 2018-19 to 2019-20. USTTAD scheme aims to preserve heritage of traditional arts and crafts of minority communities and build capacity of traditional crafts persons and artisans and establish marketing linkages. RFP documents containing list of indicative traditional Arts/Crafts and is placed in the Ministry’s website www.minorityaffairs.gov.in.

The following eligible organizations may apply:

- Societies registered under Societies Registration Act for at least three years and having experience of conducting such traditional skill development courses with established market linkages.

- Any private recognized/registered professional institution of repute conducting such traditional skill development courses for at least last three years with established market linkages.

- Any industry or an association of industries who are willing to run such training centres as per financial norms of the scheme with a proper plan.

- Any institution of Central/State Governments including Universities, Public Sector Undertakings and Training institutes of Central/State Governments including Panchayati Raj Training institutions having the capacity to conduct such training programmes.

1. Institutions/organizations should be registered on the portal of NITI Aayog Darpan Portal.

2. Proposal should be submitted online on the USTTAD Portal of MoMA http://usttad.minorityaffairs.gov.in and hard copy of the proposal in the prescribed format should also be sent to “the Under Secretary (USTTAD)”, Ministry of Minority Affairs, 11th Floor, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-10003.

3. Detailed guidelines, eligibility criteria and proposal format is available on www.minorityaffairs.gov.in & http://usttad.minorityaffairs.gov.in

4. The last date of submission of both online and hard copy (duly signed Application forms to the Ministry), is 29th October, 2018 by 5:00 p.m.

Sd/-

Under Secretary (USTTAD)