

Promoting Apprenticeship and Livelihoods for Girls and Women

n collaboration with UNDP and District Administration, Raichur (Karnataka), Development Alternatives (DA) as the Project Management Unit, under the 'Bridge to Livelihoods' project, funded by UNDP and supported by NSDC, facilitated a workshop on creating awareness on National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) on 24th February 2019. DA oriented all state officials and training partners present in that region on apprenticeship and jobs for girls and women at Zila Panchayat Office Raichur, Karnataka. The objective was to generate demand for apprenticeship and jobs for girls and women across the district. Consequently, in the district level job fair held in the University of Agriculture Sciences, Raichur on 25th and 26th February 2019, DA was actively involved in counseling more than 500 candidates for NAPS/APPS as a part of the NAPS registration drive.

On 27th and 28th February, DA had facilitated a full day workshop for training partners (supply side) being organised by the state officials of Raichur district. The objective was to have conversations and develop action plan for future. The main objective of the workshops was to bring all the employers/industries at one place to create the employment/apprenticeship opportunity in Raichur district. DA focused on creating awareness followed by the on spot action which focused towards the promotion of a robust employment/apprenticeship support eco-system in the district of Raichur.

The District Administration of Raichur appreciated the technical assistance provided by DA and UNDP towards conducting the workshops for promoting NAPS and facilitating on the spot registrations.

Outcomes:

- Total Candidates counseled for Apprenticeships/Jobs- 600 (220 females and 380 male)
- Total Candidates Participated in the job fair 2,203
- Total Companies Participated- 53
- Total Selected Candidates (for joining) 907
- Total Shortlisted Candidates (for final round) 67

