

MOU EXCHANGE: UPSIC LTD × SAFETY SKILL DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (SSDF)



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The **Uttar Pradesh Small Industries Corporation Ltd. (UPSIC)** and the **Safety Skill Development Foundation (SSDF)** formally exchanged a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** on **30 January 2026**, reaffirming their shared commitment to strengthening **Occupational Safety, Health and Environment (OSHE)** and advancing **skill development initiatives** across Uttar Pradesh and beyond.

This strategic collaboration brings together UPSIC's institutional reach and SSDF's expertise as an **NCVET-recognized awarding body**, with the objective of building a safer, skilled, and future-ready workforce—particularly for **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)** operating across diverse sectors.

Key Focus Areas of the Collaboration

The partnership will focus on the following priority areas:

- Supporting MSMEs across sectors by enhancing workforce safety, skill readiness, and domain-specific competencies
- Implementing cross-sectoral skilling interventions covering construction, manufacturing, infrastructure, services, and allied industries
- Promoting OSHE-aligned competencies to improve productivity, regulatory compliance, and workplace well-being



- Undertaking skill development initiatives including **Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)**, assessment, certification, and capacity-building programs

Towards Sustainable Industrial Growth

Through this collaboration, UPSIC and SSDF aim to integrate **safety, skills, and domain expertise** into workforce development strategies, contributing to **sustainable industrial growth** and improved safety outcomes across enterprises.

The MoU marks an important step towards strengthening institutional partnerships that support national priorities related to **safe workplaces, skilled manpower, and inclusive economic development**.