



## 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**.