

Haryana, Modi Healthcare to train youth for jobs abroad

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The Haryana government is looking forward to tie-up with corporate houses to help groom its skilled and unskilled workforce to find jobs overseas. The state has already collaborated with Delhi-based Modi Healthcare placement under PPP mode through its overseas placement bureau to tap the burgeoning demand for Indian nurses abroad, especially in the US.

"As many as 700 placements are likely to be made this year, including 360 for Canada, comprising electricians, crane operators, pipe-fitters, mechanics etc," said AC Chaudhary, labour and employment minister, Haryana, in an interaction with the media. As per the minister, lack of communication skills is the biggest hurdle for the state's youth to work abroad. In order to overcome this, principals of educational institutes have been asked to take special sessions of English speaking. "Other corporate houses would also be roped in to groom the youth to take up global assignments," the minister said.

Three more centers would be set up in Rohtak, Hisar and Faridabad, apart from already-operational one in Panchkula, to train nurses.

Under the tie-up, Modi Educare Unit would impart necessary training and courses in general English, computer, IELTS and NCLEX to ensure



their placement in hospitals abroad. "At present, there is need for 1.26 nurses in the US and the gap is likely to mount to 4.5 lakh by 2008," Charu Modi Bhartia, founder and promoter, Modi Healthcare placement bureau said.

"A nursing job pays Rs 20 to 30 lakh in the US, 8 to 12 lakh in the UK and 4 to 7 lakh in Middle East as compared with Rs

36,000 to 1.8 lakh in India," Modi divulged while emphasising on the benefits of taking up jobs overseas. After training, the company would facilitate job assignments in Banner Health System, largest non-profit group in the US, Estrella Medical, Arizona and Baywood Medical Center.

Modi Healthcare is already running such centers at New Delhi and Cochin.

The overseas placement bureau, formed a year ago under the aegis of a society, Haryana Overseas Assistance Society, has also empanelled four consultants to facilitate applicants get work permits required to work in countries abroad.

Also, overseas education fairs and seminars to motivate Haryana's youth to take up jobs and studies have been organised in some of the districts by the bureau.