



ENHANCING TVET COLLEGES FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

BACKGROUND

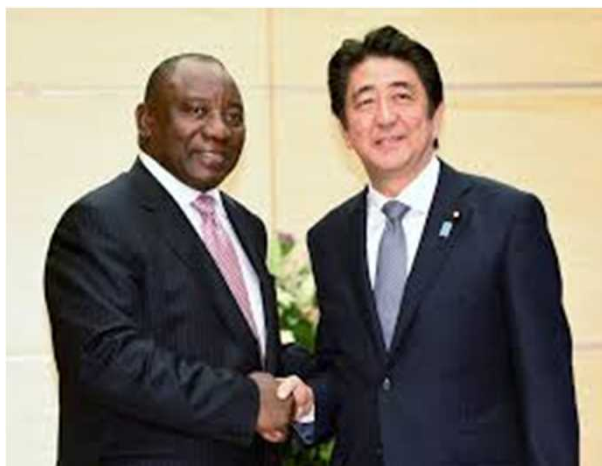
South Africa is facing a shortage of skilled workers and a high unemployment rate, especially among young people (aged 15 to 34). Strengthening the capacity of TVET colleges is key to overcoming these two major social and economic issues. Moreover, being skilled could create opportunities for youth to build brighter futures.

OBJECTIVES

- Developing training materials related to fitting and turning;
- Increasing TVET college lecturers' ability to teach fitting and turning;
- Strengthening structures of TVET colleges in relation to the provision of students' employment opportunities; and
- Strengthening employment support for students at TVET colleges.

PARTNERSHIP

- Department of Higher Education and Training
- Tshwane South TVET College
- Northlink TVET College



*Project for **Capacity Development of Pilot TVET Colleges for Artisans***

In his State of the Nation Address 2019, President Cyril Ramaphosa, amongst other key priorities, called for the need to accelerate inclusive economic growth, create jobs, improve education system and develop the skills for now and into the future.

Japan has responded to his call, and request he made to Prime Minister Shinzo Abe in his 2015 official working visit to Japan, by initiating a pilot project at two TVET Colleges (Tshwane South and Northlink) which are selected as Centers of Specialization. Japanese experts work hand in hand with the colleges to apply the Japanese successful experiences to enhance colleges' teaching skills.

The subject matter of this project focused on Fitter and Turner, a skill required in most manufacturing industries such as the automobile industry. Through this pilot project and further cooperation in this field, Japan is committed to work hand in hand with the people in South Africa being in the 'driving position', to create more skilled workforce which contributes to SA's further economic growth and global competitiveness .

For Further Information

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