## WBSCT&VE&SD (TED)

Polytechnic Education in our State was introduced immediately after independence. To look after the academic activities of Polytechnic Education, "State Council for Engineering & Technical Education" was set-up as a Government outfit by an executive order. The Council was a part of the Chief Inspectorate of Technical Education and subsequently of the Directorate of Technical Education. West Bengal State Council of Technical & Vocational Education & Skill Development was formed as a Statutory Body under the West Bengal Act XXVI of 2013.

West Bengal State Council of Technical & Vocational Education & Skill Development (Technical Education Division) has various activities for conducting a number of courses at Diploma, Post Diploma, Certificate, Advanced Certificate, Short Term Vocational Training and Commercial Education level, besides monitoring and affiliating the academic institutions conducting these courses and development of curricula for the purpose.

The Council also advises Government in respect of Technical Education for the areas mentioned above. Apart from aforesaid activities, the Council also conducts entrance examinations, JEXPOP & VOCLET and prepares merit lists for admission of students in Diploma Courses in Engineering & Technology in the Polytechnics of the State of West Bengal under its affiliation.

As of now, there are 66 Government, 3 Government Sponsored and 76 Self-Financed Institutions running 32 types of Diploma Courses in Engineering & Technology under the affiliation of the Council.

## Eligibility Criteria for admission in the 1st Year Classes through JEXPO:

- Must have passed the Secondary (Madhyamik) Examination of the West Bengal Board of Secondary Education or its equivalent examination with English, Physical Science/Science and Mathematics among others as subjects securing at least 35% marks (no rounding off) in aggregate as per AICTE norms excluding the marks of the subject taken as additional.
- Age should not be below 15 years and there is no upper age limit.
- Admission is made through counseling based on the merit list prepared by the Council through entrance examination namely JEXPO which is held in the month of April/May every year.

## Eligibility Criteria for admission in the 2nd Year Classes through VOCLET:

- Must have passed or appeared the (10+2) Examination of the West Bengal State Council of Technical & Vocational Education & Skill Development (Vocational Education Division) [Erstwhile, West Bengal State Council of Vocational Education & Training] or having passed 2 years' ITI plus passed Madhyamik or equivalent examination. ITI trades must be of continuous 2 years duration and a single certificate should mention that. Candidates having passed vocational course from Councils/Boards other than WBSCT&VE&SD (VED) [Erstwhile, WBSCVE&T] are not eligible.
- There is no age limit.
- Admission is made through counseling based on merit list prepared by the Council through entrance examination namely VOCLET which is held in the month of April/May every year.