

**High Commission of India
Port Moresby**

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Brief on ITEC

Indian Technical & Economic Cooperation Programme (known as **ITEC** in short) is a capacity building programme. The ITEC Programme was instituted by a decision of Indian Government on 15 September 1964 as a bilateral programme of assistance of the Government of India. ITEC is considered to be one of the essential functions of an integrated and imaginative foreign policy. Under the ITEC Programme 161 countries including Pacific and small Island countries are invited to share the Indian developmental experience acquired over the last six decades. Every year, India allocates training slots to Solomon Island, under ITEC programme. These training programme are fully funded by India, including the airfare to empower SI's scholars with professional skills and also prepare them for an increasingly globalised world. Facilities available to a trainee include:

- (i) Airfare (ii) Accommodation (iii) Food & pocket money
- (iv) Courses fees (v) Books allowance (vi) Gratis visa (vii) Study tour
- (viii) Medical for ailments of emergency nature occurring in India

India has been offering assistance to Solomon Islands in capacity building by allocating four training slots per year in diverse fields under the ITEC Programme.

Details of ITEC slots to Solomon Islands

Year	Civil	
	Allocated	Utilized
2020-21	02	NIL
2021-22	02	NIL
2022-23	02	NIL

The ITEC Programme comprises mostly of short term training courses organized annually across Indian public institutions in various streams for govt. officials and working professionals. The Programme has grown organically from about 4000 training slots in 2006-07 to around 14000 slots (including defence training) in 2019-20. During 2019-20, civilian training slots were offered under ITEC in over 383 courses across 98 institutions in a wide and diverse range areas. These include disciplines

such as Engineering and Technology; Government Functions; Environment and Climate Change; Agriculture; Banking, Finance, Accounts and Audit; English Language; Health and Yoga; Petroleum; ICT; Journalism; Management and Leadership; Power, renewable & Alternate Energy, including solar; Rural Development; Women Empowerment etc. **New modalities like e-ITEC, ITEC-Onsite and ITEC executive have been included in the bouquet of ITEC offerings from 2018 onwards.**

e-ITEC is a modality of ITEC programme wherein training is imparted in partner countries by Indian Institutes online in real time. Under e-ITEC, the classrooms are shifted to our partner countries and tailor made courses are delivered by Indian faculties online/ through video conferencing. The facilities in the classroom required are desired internet bandwidth, telecommunication links and a focal person to coordinate. **eITEC 2021 involved more than 5600 participants across 83 countries, 68 eminent Indian Institutes offering 68 diversified programmes and 67 country-special course.**

ITEC Onsite is a customized capacity building training under ITEC programme which are imparted in the partner country by deputing Indian experts/trainers in that country. ITEC Onsite is offered when a significant number of participants from a single country are to be trained on a particular subject.

The partner country approach our Mission with a proposal for training under above modalities including details regarding desired area of training , minimum number of participants and classroom facilities etc. The nominated participants by the partner countries apply through ITEC portal and physically join in classes on the given date and time.

After applying on ITEC Portal the application hard copy should be forwarded to High Commission of India, Port Moresby, through Ministry of Foreign Affairs and External Trade, Government of Solomon Islands (Mrs. Gladys Luahiti- Isihanua, Assistant Secretary/ Asia and Africa Branch Email: Gladys.Isihanua@mfaet.gov.sb and Mr. Jones Soreh Senior Desk Officer (Ag)/ Asia and Africa Branch Email: Jones.Soreh@mfaet.gov.sb)

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