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## Skill Training in Natural Rubber Sub-Sector in Tripura

Rubber industry is employment intensive sector which already employs close to 20 lakh manpower. But to match the growth pace of rubber industry with our country's economy, more skilled workforce is required. Keeping this thought fresh trainings are being initiated so that the industry can benefit by directly hiring skilled manpower.

Natural rubber is one of the most important raw materials used by the rubber industries which calls for highly skilled man power for tapping, processing, and grading. There persists a shortage of highly skilled and knowledgeable work force in the country to meet such requirement.

Scamper Technologies And Services Private Limited is the Training Partner who has been entrusted with the training of Latex Harvest Technician job role in Tripura.





Latex Harvest Technician training in Tripura

Since Tripura is the second largest Natural Rubber Producing state in the country. More than 500 candidates have been lined to get trained for this job role.

"On completion of the first phase of the RPL, a structured post-evaluation survey was conducted which revealed that there is a 34% increase in the skills of tappers who were trained under the programme. Also the monthly yield in the holdings tapped by those who had undergone training has shown an increase of 16%." Said Mr. Ajith Kumar, IAS Chairman, Rubber Board of India.

With such detailed study to back the effects of training, it is important that skill training should be focused on in every industry.

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## **RPL Trainings across the country**



**Manufacturing Sub-Sector** 



**Natural Rubber Sub - Sector** 







To recognize the contribution and excellence towards skill development in the rubber sector and to bring Industry Partners, Training Partners and all the Stakeholders on one platform

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Awards Ceremony

November 10<sup>th</sup> 2017, 6.30 pm

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### A new horizon for the tribals of Tripura with Rubber **Plantation**

Tripura, a state abundant with nature and colourful tribal culture. This tribal population has been long afflicted with abject poverty, due to lack of education and opportunities. But their lives changed with the onset of the rubber plantation.

Harinath Debarma was one such farmer, who foresaw the future in rubber plantation. He started the plantation and got people from his community trained for latex harvesting, commonly known as tapping. Seven years from the plantation of rubber saplings, the tapping could be started and by that time he had got a considerable number of people in his tribe, trained for latex harvesting.

Ever since the tapping began, a revenue of close to Rs. 30,000/- was generated, every month. The rubber plantation has introduced a new way of life for people like Harinath Debarma. The employment opportunities brought by such initiatives has changed lives in the tribal villages of Tripura.

"Tribals...are very poor people, and they did not have any income. After starting the rubber plantation, we could start to tap the latex after seven years. We earn a lot of money now...we earn between 20 to 30 thousand rupees every month.", said Debarma.



Harinath Debarma

India is the 6th largest producer of natural rubber, with 12 lakh planters that provide rubber to 500 large scale and 5,500 medium and small scale manufacturing units. The rubber sector has employed an estimated half a million people. Even with such significant number of workforce employed, we still fall short for skilled manpower in this sector.

We urge the industry members and individuals to come forth and help add to the skill development ecosystem. It will not only help them create a milieu of skilled manpower but in turn will then overcome the social circumstances and inadvertent poverty.





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