# Preface to NSQF (Level-4) Compliant Edition

Directorate General of Training (DGT) under the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) is the apex body in the country as regards planning, formulating and prescribing norms, standards, procedures and guidelines in respect of various vocational training schemes like Craftsmen Training Scheme (CTS), Apprenticeship Training Scheme (ATS), Craft Instructors' Training Scheme (CITS) and several other similar schemes, the core objective of which is to equip young people with skills as would help them secure decent employment. Of all these schemes CTS implemented through a vast network of Industrial Training Institutes, is by far the biggest in terms of not only the number of trainees deriving benefit, but also in terms of well-established and fully-equipped institutional framework.

Prescribing well designed curriculum and putting in place appropriate assessment and certification procedure are among the vital aspects of vocational training. DGT has not only designed and prescribed curriculum for each designated trade but also, in the recent past, brought into force the National Skill Qualification Framework (NSQF). Under this framework, each level of the NSQF is described by a statement of learning outcomes in five domains, known as level descriptors. These five domains are: Process, Professional Knowledge, Professional Skill, Core Skill and Responsibility. The curriculum for **FITTER TRADE**, having two years' training duration, has been designed in a way as would match the learning outcome to **Level 4**, under the sector of Capital Goods and Manufacturing.

This book has been developed in relation to the professional knowledge (trade theory) part of the prescribed curriculum for **FITTER TRADE**. The unique features of this book are:

- Theory subject matter presented in **Self-contained Modules format** – total 15 modules (8 for first year and 7 for second year)
- Each module supplemented with wide bank of multiple choice questions, not only with key but also with essential explanatory notes to facilitate learning.
- Subject matter arranged **sequentially according to syllabus**, in simple easy-to-understand language and profusely illustrated.
- A set of 12 model papers (6 each for first and second year) inclusive of **all Multiple-Choice Questions given in three Sample Papers of Bharat Skill** on All India Annual Trade Test Pattern. Here again with key and essential complementary notes to facilitate learning with understanding.

To help trainees take A.I.T.T. (CBT) still more confidently, they can draw benefit **absolutely free of cost**, of 30+ hours' video solutions (with explanation) of all MCQs given in this book – a novel and unique feature provided with this edition.

We do firmly believe and hope that this **3-in-1 volume** viz.,

1. **Trade Theory**
2. **Assignment (MCQs)**
3. **Model Papers (Solved) inclusive of all Multiple-Choice Questions given in three Sample Papers of Bharat Skill for Annual A.I.T.T. Exam (CBT)**

will be of great help to trainees to learn and understand theory subject of Fitter trade and also equip them to confidently face All Indian Trade Test. We would, undoubtedly, welcome suggestions from our esteemed readers that would help us make further improvements in subsequent editions.

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