

IITGn's 'Neev' expands reach

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Youth from across the country are being imparted vocational skills in the areas of carpentry, fitting and wiring by the staff of the Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar (IITGn). Neev, a community outreach program, has expanded its activities from 'entrepreneurship training' to include 'vocational skill development training' and the two-month-long course is supported by the Desai Foundation in the US.



Neev coordinator Soumya Harish said, "The initiative aims to create more employment or entrepreneurial opportunities for the participants as well as encourage them to undertake further advanced training in the trades of their choice."

The course has 27 participants in the age-group of 18

to 28 years. While most of the participants are from Palaj and Basan, villages neighbouring the premier institute, there are also participants from Rajasthan, Chandigarh, and Uttar Pradesh.

Through the unique outreach initiative, youth will receive training from the institute's staff in IITGn's mechanical engineering and electrical engineering labs. Apart from the vocational skill development, the participants will also receive business skill training in the last week of the workshop.