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GANDHINAGAR, JAN 12: Azure Power on Monday announced signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Gujarat Energy Research and Management Institute (GERMI), a Gujarat Government enterprise, to launch the 'National Certification Programme for Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic Installer'.

Under this MoU, Azure Power and GERMI will work towards establishing a cooperative and supportive team with adequate resources, including skilled manpower, capital equipment, and facilities, for effective implementation of the new certification.

The national certification will help develop a skilled workforce and transfer the knowledge and training techniques that Azure Power has gained, to empower the technical trainers from Gujarat for undertaking such skill building initiatives locally, Indereet Wadhwa, CEO and Founder, Azure Power, said.

"The Government's vision of achieving 100 GW of solar power generation by 2022 will require a significant scaling up of skills in the solar PV, engineering, construction and operations pan India. This initiative with GERMI will help us bridge up the skill gap between the industry, while providing the youth employment as well as entrepreneurship opportunity in solar power in the country," he said.

While GERMI will comprehensively develop the training course curriculum, modules and provide certification to successful trainees of different institutions, Azure Power will recognise the certification programme and promote it locally within its areas of activities.

In addition, Azure Power will identify institutions for setting up training environment and promote the job placement of resultant skilled workforce.

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