

BPO & IT Skills Training

# 120 for six-month in-country program

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Despite challenges confronting the business processes outsourcing (BPO) industry in Bhutan, another step towards increasing the number of Bhutanese to work in the industry has been taken.

## JOB FAIR

In a two day job fair, which began yesterday at the Nazhoen Pelri complex, the Bhutan centre of excellence will recruit 120 class XII and university graduates for a six-month in-country BPO and IT relevant skills training program.

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The training institute has an agreement with IT multinational Wipro for post-training employment opportunities for the candidates they train. "Those, who came in, had the drive and possessed professionalism, which was very impres-

sive," said Vikas Dua, the head of talent creation, Wipro.

Vikas Dua said that Wipro would recruit about 90 percent of these candidates, even though they usually recruited only graduates. However, very few graduates turned up for the interview.

The six-month training program, according to BK One's CEO, would focus on communication, soft and customer service skills.

Working for a BPO was not what the 2009 class XII pass Dechen wanted to do. But staying unemployed for more than a year was not easy either. "I wasn't interested in this industry; but, after attending the briefing and learning about Wipro and their benefits, I'm glad I came," she said.

Another class XII student, Karma Phuntsho was ecstatic. "I wish to study further and Wipro will help me achieve this, gain experience, earn well and open new doors," said the



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freelance guide.

The course fee and stipend for the 120 trainees is funded by the labour ministry, supported by the World Bank.

President and chief executive officer of BK One Bikram Kumar Singh said that, even if Wipro does not take in all the trainees, they would assure that everyone gets absorbed in other IT multinational BPOs.

## Second Tata dealer launch

KUENGA TENDAR

The Tata Manza passenger car and the one-tonne Super Ace payload vehicle were launched in Thimphu yesterday, with the opening of the Samden vehicles showroom, the country's second dealer for Tata vehicles motors.

## VEHICLE

Several Miss Bhutan contestants posed alongside the vehicles in the showroom in Babesa that also had in display the Nu 100,000 Nano car.

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**Enough Room:** Lyonpo Yeshey Zimba and Ambassador Pavan K Varma inside the Nano

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