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- Pooja Gianchandani is Director and Head for Skills Development with Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI). Pooja is leading FICCI's skills initiatives through Policy Advocacy, Industry Engagement and International Collaboration by working with 19 plus domestic sectors and international desks to promote skills development issues.
 - **Experience:** Pooja's experience includes a unique blend of technical and management experience in both public and private sector. Prior to FICCI, she completed the in-country set up of the Indian subsidiary of UK's largest skills and training company, Action 4 Employment where she handled business set up, operational structuring, strategy, business development and compliance. She has also worked with the Confederation of Indian Industry as the first member of the founding team of the skills development where she played an active role in national level policy design and deployment, including the initiation of Sector Skills Councils. She has also worked with Yes Bank's sustainability arm 'Responsible Banking in Thought' and with NTPC Ltd where she contributed in setting up of its CSR foundation.
 - **Awards:** She is also the winner of the 'Power 30 under 30' title in Business Category from Apex Society, USA.
- **Education:** She holds a masters degree in Social Work from the Delhi School of Social Work and has specialized in CSR from the World Bank Institute.