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यह एक स्वतंत्र परियोजना है, जो सरकार की आधिकारिक करियर-मार्गदर्शन सामग्री पर आधारित है। • An independent project based on the Government's official career-guidance content.

1 About this career

A Pastry Chef (pâtissier/baker) is the artist of sweet and baked foods — creating cakes, pastries, cookies, cupcakes, pies, breads, chocolates, bonbons, ice creams, sorbets and all kinds of desserts. They learn ingredients and their exact proportions, master fine techniques like baking, creaming, laminating, rolling, tempering and decoration, and present pastries attractively. The work is found in hotels, bakeries, patisseries and restaurants, and after a few years' experience it is also a great route to starting your own bakery or online dessert business.

2 At a glance

Minimum qualification	Class 12 or ITI + age 18 (NSQF Level 4)
Course duration	Certificate 3–6 months; diploma 1 year
Starting salary	₹15,000–22,000/month
Work mode	Full-time in hotel/bakery/patisserie; own business too

3 What you need

INTERESTS

- A deep interest in baking, cakes and sweets
- Enjoy experimenting with new recipes and flavours
- A love for colour, decoration and making food look beautiful

ABILITIES

- Attention to detail and precise measurement
- Stamina for long hours on your feet and a team spirit
- Creativity and a flair for beautiful presentation

KEY SKILLS

- Making and baking cakes, pastries, cookies, breads and desserts
- Lamination, rolling, piping and icing/frosting techniques
- Cake decoration and attractive presentation with fondant and sugar art
- Costing, portion control and order management
- Correct ingredient ratios, mixing, creaming and preparing dough/batter
- Chocolate tempering, bonbons and frozen desserts
- Kitchen cleanliness, food safety and hygiene standards

4 How to get there

- 1 Complete Class 12 or ITI and reach the age of 18.
- 2 Enrol in an NSQF Level 4 Pastry/Bakery Commis course (NSDC/THSC).
- 3 Do a Bakery & Confectionery certificate/diploma from an IHM or a baking academy.
- 4 Gain hands-on experience as a commis/trainee pastry cook in a hotel or bakery.
- 5 With experience become a Pastry Chef and move on to Executive Pastry Chef or your own bakery.
- 6 In Rajasthan, RSLDC/PMKVY centres also offer free training and placement support.

MAIN EXAMS

- THSC/NSDC Pastry-Bakery Commis assessment and certification exam

5 Where to study**GOVERNMENT INSTITUTES**

- इंस्टीट्यूट ऑफ होटल मैनेजमेंट (IHM) जयपुर – बेकरी एवं कन्फेक्शनरी — Jaipur, Rajasthan
- राजस्थान कौशल एवं आजीविका विकास निगम (RSLDC) — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://livelihoods.rajasthan.gov.in/rsldc/>)
- टूरिज्म एवं हॉस्पिटैलिटी स्किल काउंसिल (THSC) – पेस्ट्री बेकरी कॉमिस — All-India network (https://thsc.in/admin/uploads/curriculum/Pastry%20Bakery%20Commis_THC_Q2708.pdf)
- राष्ट्रीय कौशल विकास निगम (NSDC) – प्रशिक्षण केंद्र — All-India network (<https://www.nsdcindia.org/find-nsdc-training-centre>)
- एनआईओएस व्यावसायिक प्रशिक्षण केंद्र — Online / locate nearest centre (<https://voc.nios.ac.in/registration/locate-study-centre>)

PRIVATE INSTITUTES

- स्कूल ऑफ बेकरी एंड कलिनरी आर्ट्स (SBCA) — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://schoolofbakery.com/jaipur>)
- माय बेकरी स्कूल — Jaipur, Rajasthan (<https://mybakeryschool.com/jaipur>)
- लवोन अकादमी ऑफ बेकिंग एंड पेस्ट्री आर्ट्स — Bengaluru / New Delhi (<https://www.lavonne.in/>)
- एपीसीए इंडिया (Academy of Pastry & Culinary Arts) — All-India / Gurugram (<https://www.apcaindia.com/>)

ONLINE

- स्किल इंडिया डिजिटल हब — Online (<https://www.skillindiadigital.gov.in/>)
- जन शिक्षण संस्थान (JSS) - प्रशिक्षण केंद्र खोजें — Online / districts of Rajasthan (<https://nsdcindia.org/find-nsdc-training-centre-jss/>)

FEES

Under government schemes (NSDC, THSC, RSLDC, PMKVY) this training is often free or very low-cost. An IHM Jaipur Bakery & Confectionery diploma and private baking-academy courses can cost roughly ₹30,000–2,50,000.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- राष्ट्रीय छात्रवृत्ति पोर्टल (NSP) (<https://scholarships.gov.in/fresh/onlineInstituteSearchIndex>)
- Buddy4Study – ITI/Vocational Scholarships (<https://www.buddy4study.com/article/iti-scholarships>)
- SJE Rajasthan Scholarships (<https://sje.rajasthan.gov.in/>)

6 What the work is like

WHERE YOU WORK

Pastry kitchens of five-star hotels, bakery shops, patisseries, cafés, restaurants, cruise lines and cloud kitchens; and, after a few years, your own bakery or online dessert business.

WORK CULTURE

Typically 6 days a week, 10–12 hours a day; early-morning shifts, overtime and heavy work during festival/wedding seasons are common. You stand near hot ovens and must maintain full cleanliness and hygiene.

WHO HIRES

- Five-star hotel chains (Taj, Oberoi, Marriott, ITC, Hyatt)
- Bakery & confectionery chains (Monginis, Theobroma, BreadTalk)

- Patisseries and dessert cafés (Le15, Lavonne, local patisseries)
- Restaurants, cafés and cloud kitchens
- Cruise lines, airline catering and large banquet/caterers
- Self-employment – own bakery, home baking and online dessert business

DEMAND (2026)

Demand for cakes, artisan breads, chocolates and desserts is rising fast in India — birthdays, weddings, festivals and café culture keep skilled pastry chefs and bakers in demand in every city. Along with hotels, bakery chains and cloud kitchens, online orders and home baking have made this an excellent field for self-employment too.

7 Career growth

- 1 Trainee / Commis Pastry Cook
- 2 Assistant Pastry Chef (Demi Chef de Partie)
- 3 Pastry Chef / Chef de Partie
- 4 Executive Pastry Chef / Bakery Owner

EARNINGS

Starting	₹15,000–22,000/माह
Mid level	₹30,000–45,000/माह
Senior level	₹60,000–1,20,000+/माह

Per AmbitionBox, a Pastry Chef earns on average about ₹35,000–37,000/month, and per PayScale the annual average is around ₹4 lakh (₹1 lakh–₹10 lakh range). Pay is modest at the entry commis level, but rises many times over on becoming a five-star hotel Executive Pastry Chef or running a successful bakery of your own.

8 The good parts · The challenges

The good parts

- A creative, satisfying craft — your desserts bring people joy
- A clear path to starting your own bakery or online dessert business
- Growing demand and opportunities in hotels, bakery chains and even abroad

The challenges

- Long hours, early-morning shifts and heavy work during festivals
- Physically tiring work standing near hot ovens
- Limited pay at entry level; it takes time to build a name

9 Real-life journeys

Pooja Dhingra

Founder, Le15 Patisserie – 'India's Macaron Queen'

Mumbai's Pooja Dhingra first began studying law, but her heart was in baking — so she trained in hospitality in Switzerland and in pastry at the famous Le Cordon Bleu in Paris. Inspired by the macarons she discovered in Paris, she returned to India and in 2010 launched 'Le15 Patisserie' with just two employees — India's first macaron store. Today Le15 is a well-known patisserie chain, she has authored two books, was named to the Forbes '30 Under 30 Asia' list and judged MasterChef India. Her story shows how passion and hard work can turn the craft of pastry into a thriving business.

Wikipedia · https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pooja_Dhingra

Vinesh Johny

Co-founder, Lavonne Academy of Baking & Pastry Arts, Bengaluru

Bengaluru's Vinesh Johny first bonded with baking when his mother made his first cake in a pressure cooker. He found academics dull but the kitchen thrilling — after hotel management he made pastry his passion and trained abroad in French patisserie. Seeing the lack of quality pastry education in India, he co-founded Lavonne Academy, which grew into one of the country's leading baking and pastry institutes, training hundreds of students every year. He was named to the Forbes '30 Under 30 Asia' list and mentored India's WorldSkills pastry competitors. His journey shows that, starting from an ordinary home kitchen, one can make the nation proud in pastry.

Pastry Arts Magazine · <https://pastryartsmag.com/people/vinesh-johny-the-makings-of-a-pastry-pioneer/>

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4. Tourism & Hospitality Skill Council – Pastry Bakery Commis QP — https://thsc.in/admin/uploads/curriculum/Pastry%20Bakery%20Commis_THC_Q2708.pdf
5. National Scholarship Portal — <https://scholarships.gov.in>

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