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Good Urban Governance

The role of government is now largely becoming that of 'facilitator' and 'regulator' of development. The changed paradigm of the public sector now is in providing public goods and services without necessarily producing them. The government has now realized the need to release latent energies and stimulate private initiative in various facets of development process. In some areas it could be public-private participatory effort for better and quicker results. Keeping in view the importance of the above mentioned subject a two day Regional Training Programme on "Good Urban Governance" was organized by the Regional Centre, at Puri on 7th & 8th January 2015.

The main objectives of the programme were:

- To acquaint the participants with the need and importance of good urban governance.
- To aware the participants with the concept of good urban governance.
- To aware the participant with the various techniques for achieving good governance.

The participants of the training programme consisted of Municipal Commissioner, Executive officers, Engineers and other Officials of Odisha & Jharkhand. In all 23 participants participated in the programme.

The programme was inaugurated by Sri Sanjib

Sri Sanjib Kumar Mishra, Director Municipal Admn, H&UD Dept., Govt of Odisha inaugurating the programme along with Er. A. K. Gupta, Addl Director & Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Course Coordinator, RCUES, Lucknow

Kumar Mishra, Director Municipal Administration, H&UD Department, Government of Odisha. Er. A. K. Gupta, Addl. Director welcomed the guests & Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director & Course Coordinator briefed about the programme.

The Chief guest Sri Sanjib Kumar Mishra, Director Municipal Administration, H&UD Department, Government of Odisha in his inaugural address said that as the local governments are basically providing services to its citizens, does not have a good face value. In order to improve the face value the officials must think out-of-box and have innovative ideas.

The programme was coordinated by Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director and assisted by Dr. Nasruddin, Asst. Director.



Engendering Development and Gender Budgeting inclusive Urban Administration

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The Centre organized a two-day Regional Training Programme in Lucknow on January 19-20, 2015 to discuss and deliberate on pertinent issues of engendering urban development and gender budgeting. The main objectives of Workshop:

- To review the rationale of the gender budgeting as a tool for women's empowerment and also to discuss strategic framework of gender budgeting activities,
- To examine the policy initiatives, programmes, schemes and projects for gender mainstreaming and gender inclusive urban development in India,
- To discuss the tools of gender budgeting at state level and also share experiences of different states.
- To examine the problems, constraints and difficulties in gender budgeting at different levels.
- To discuss the role of various stakeholders and key players in gender budgeting.

- To examine the scope of gender budgeting in different sectors of economy, particularly in departments and ministries of centre and state governments.
- To suggest measures for empowering women and gender budgeting exercises.

The participants included 24 Municipal Officials (Executive Officers, Accounts Officers & Engineers) from ULBs including parastatal agencies. Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director and Dr. A.K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow, jointly coordinated the programme.



Participants attending the Regional Level Training Programme.

Urban Infrastructure Project Development including Urban Administration

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Urban India has grown by nearly five times during the last fifty years, while the population of India has grown two and half times in the same period. India's Urban Population grew from reported 290 million in Census 2001 to an estimated 340 million in 2008. This process of urbanization has created a huge gap between demand and supply of urban services and infrastructure.

Keeping this in view a two day Training Programme on Urban Infrastructure Project Development including Urban Transportation was organized by the Centre at Lucknow on 11th & 12th February, 2015. The objectives of the programme were:

- To discuss and deliberate on emerging issues and challenges in planning for infrastructure development projects and their implementation.
- To discuss the criterion and parameters for project formulation in the field of water supply, Sewerage, SWM and urban transportation.
- To discuss the desirable contents in DPRs and essentials characteristics of Project development cycle.
- To discuss the procedures and legal issues in contract management.
- To highlight the need and importance on Comprehensive Mobility Plan for efficient transport management in urban centres.

The programme was inaugurated by Sri A.K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES, Lucknow. Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director, RCUES Lucknow welcomed the guests & briefed them about the programme.

Mr. A. K. Gupta, Additional Director in his inaugural address said that project development or formulation is the art of conceiving an idea and developing a set of data analyzed into its logical components.

The participants of the training programme consisted of Executive officers of Nagar Palika Parishads and Nagar Panchayats of Uttar Pradesh. In all 33 participants participated in the programme.

The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director, RCUES & Mr. Himanshu Chandra, Assistant Director, RCUES Lucknow.



Participants at the training programme

National Consultative Workshop on Urban Governance

NEW DELHI

The Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India in association with the Regional Center for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized a National Level Consultative Workshop on Urban Governance on 16th January, 2015 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.

The workshop was chaired by Union Minister for Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation and Parliamentary Affairs, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu. The Minister of State for Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Mr. Babul Supriyo, the Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation, Mrs. Anita Agnihotri and other dignitaries were also present during the day long workshop.

The participants of the workshop comprised of Municipal Commissioners of 130 cities and towns from Delhi, Haryana, Chandigarh, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and Rajasthan. Total 275 participants attended the programme.



Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Union Minister for Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation and Parliamentary Affairs lighting the inaugural lamp along with Shri. Babul Supriyo, The Minister of State for Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation at the function in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi

State Sponsored Programme

Implementation of Rajiv Awas Yojana (State Sponsored Programme)

MIZORAM

The Centre organized a two day Training Programme on 'Implementation Of Rajiv Awas Yojana' on 5th-6th February 2015, at Aizawl for the State of Mizoram. This programme was sponsored by Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation Department, Govt. of Mizoram.

The main objectives of the above training programme were to orient the delegates with Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY) and provide a platform for meeting, interacting and mutual experience sharing to various key stakeholders concerned with implementation of Rajiv Awas Yojana. The Second Objective of the Workshop was to sensitize the delegates towards Role and Responsibilities for various Stakeholders under Rajiv Awas Yojana (RAY).

The participants of the training programme consisted of officials dealing with RAY in the state of Mizoram. In all 36 participants participated in the programme.

The programme was inaugurated by Pu. Laizika, Addl Secretary,

UD &PA Department, Government of Mizoram. Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director & Course Coordinator welcomed the guests & briefed about the programme. Pu. Laizika, Addl Secretary, UD &PA Department, Government of Mizoram while inaugurating the programme said that trainings and capacity building is an important activity for the success of any project. He further highlighted the importance of RAY.

The programme was coordinated by Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director and assisted by Dr. Nasruddin, Asst. Director & Sri Himanshu Chandra, Asst. Director.



Pu. Laizika, Addl Secretary, UD &PA Department, Government of Mizoram inaugurating the programme

Training Programmes under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme

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Benchmarking of Urban Services

Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized six two days training programmes on Service Level Benchmarking under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme for the state of Uttar Pradesh under the auspices of Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India and Department of Urban Development, Government of Uttar Pradesh during this quarter. The main objective of the training programme was to discuss and deliberate the pertinent issues and dimensions of service level benchmarking related to urban water supply, sewerage and sanitation, solid waste management and storm water drainage as well as acquainting the participants regarding bench marks and performance improvement plan. The participants of the programmes included Executive Officers, Engineers and other technical Officers of ULBs and parastatal agencies of Uttar Pradesh. The participants were provided theoretical knowledge and exposure through lectures, sessions, documentary films and exposure visit of Water Works Third, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow. The programmes were jointly organized by Dr. A.K.Singh and Ajit Mishra Assistant Director RCUES, Lucknow.

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES

S. No.	Dates	No. of Participants
1	09 - 10 Feb 2015	28
2	20 - 21 Feb 2015	27
3	27 - 28 Feb 2015	32
4	13 - 14 Mar 2015	15
5	16 - 17 Mar 2015	18
6	19 - 20 Mar 2015	18



Participants during the exposure visit to Water Works Third, Gomti Nagar, Lucknow



Inaugural session

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Good Urban Governance for Effective Management and Delivery of Services

The Centre organized three, two days training programme on Good Urban Governance for Effective Management and Delivery of Services during this quarter. The main objective of the training programme was to familiarize the participants with the concept of urban governance to discuss the initiatives being taken by the Decentralized Governance, to discuss the provisions of the 74th Constitutional Amendment act, to highlight the need and importance of urban governance. The participants of the programmes included Chairman & Executive Officers of ULBs and parastatal agencies of Uttar Pradesh. The participants were provided theoretical knowledge and exposure through lectures, sessions, documentary films and exposure visit of E- Suvidha Kendra. The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES

Duration	Dates	No. of Participants
2	18 - 19 Feb 2015	15
2	25 - 26 Feb 2015	18
2	11 - 12 Mar 2015	11



Participants of the training programme



Participants during the exposure visit to E- Suvidha Kendra, Gomti Nagar

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E-Governance- Role of ICT

The Centre organized three, two days training programme on E-Governance-Role of ICT during this quarter. The main objective of the training programme was To familiarize the participants with the concept of E-Governance, to discuss the initiatives being taken by the state government, to highlight the need and importance of GIS & MIS in E-Governance, to discuss the E-Governance options and best practices The participants of the programmes included Executive Officers and engineers of ULBs and parastatal agencies of Uttar Pradesh. The participants were provided theoretical knowledge and exposure through lectures, sessions, documentary films and exposure visit of E- Suvidha Kendra. The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Deputy Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

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Duration	Dates	No. of Participants
2	13 - 14 Feb 2015	22
2	23 - 24 Feb 2015	13
2	02 - 03 Mar 2015	17



Dr. Nishith Rai, Director RCUES inaugurating the programme on E- Governance on 13th Feb. 2015 along with Er. A. K. Gupta, Addl. Director, Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Course Coordinator & Dy. Director & Dr. Alka Singh, Dy. Director

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Accrual Based Double Entry Accounting System for Effective Financial Management in ULBs

The Centre organized five two days training programme on Accrual Based Double Entry Accounting System for Effective Financial Management in ULBs under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme for the state of Uttar Pradesh. The main objective of the training programme was to ensure a common understanding of terms often used in DEAS, to promote consistency and uniformity in the DEAS usage across ULBs, to familiarize the participants with the need & importance of Double Entry Accounting System., to acquaint the participants with the provisions of the National DEAS manual and Fixed Asset Valuation Manual.

The participants of the programmes included Accounts Officers and Accountants of ULBs and parastatal agencies of Uttar Pradesh. The participants were provided theoretical knowledge and exposure through lectures, sessions, documentary films and exposure visit of Lucknow Nagar Nigam. The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Rajeev Narayan Deputy Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

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Duration	Dates	No. of Participants
2	09 - 10 Feb 2015	22
2	18 - 19 Feb 2015	37
2	23 - 24 Feb 2015	23
2	26 - 27 Feb 2015	25
2	02 - 03 Mar 2015	30

FACULTY NEWS

Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow has been nominated as an invitee member in the Committee on Accounting Standards for Local Bodies (CASLB) by the ICAI.

Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow attended the 47th Indian Water Works Association's Annual Convention in Kolkata from 31st January - 1st February, 2015

Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow attended the 74th Annual Session of the Indian Roads Congress held at Bhubaneswar from 18th - 22nd January, 2015

Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director was invited as a resource person for taking a session on Urban Sanitation: SWM by the Housing and Urban Development Department Government of Odisha at the "Interactive Workshop for Resource Persons and Potential Trainers on Urban Development" under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme on 26th March 2015.

Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director has been identified as National Level Resource Person on "Urban Sanitation: Swachh Bharat Mission" by the Housing and Urban Development Department Government of Odisha.

Achievements

- The Centre has been designated as the Technical Agency for Modernization of existing slaughter houses by Nagar Nigams of Varanasi and Jhansi
- The Centre has been designated as the Technical Agency for carrying out feasibility Study of underground sewerage lines and effluent treatment plant in Babina Cant area by Babina Cantonment Board.



Certificates being awarded to participants by Shri. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow

Initiatives

- The Centre has submitted consultancy service proposal for preparation of DPR and Safeguards Assessment of Proposed Y1 subprojects under Pro-poor Tourism Development Project, U.P.
- The Centre has submitted a proposal to Ministry of Women and Child Development, Govt. of India for conducting three day State Level Workshops on Gender Budgeting in the States of Uttarakhand, Jharkhand and Manipur.
- The Centre was entrusted the work of evaluating tenders submitted under NULM for Empanelment of resource organisation by State Urban Development Agency.

Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow



Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies (RCUES) Lucknow is one of the four centers in the country established by the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India. It was established at University of Lucknow in the year 1968. The Regional Centre provides expertise, advisory services & consultancy services to urban local bodies and Parastatals.

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