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# Newsletter

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## Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow

Capacity Building Activities under Ministry of Urban Development, GOI

### Regional Training Programme on Improving Service Delivery in ULBs

LUCKNOW

The Center organised two-day Regional Training Programme on Improving Service Delivery in ULBs on 10th-11th January 2017 in Lucknow. In all 29 participants including Assistant Engineers, Junior Engineers, Tax Superintendent, SFI and Clerk of Urban Local Bodies attended the programme. The main objectives of the Training Programme were: to discuss approaches and methods of demand assessment & estimation of Water Quality & Quantity; to discuss design standards and specifications for water supply schemes; to review the status of Water Treatment Plants and its O & M; to discuss the Design Criteria of Sewerage Projects; to discuss and deliberate the concept, need, relevance and process of service level benchmarking; to acquaint the participants regarding Performance Improvement Plan and Performance Assessment System; to discuss the problems and suggest a road map for improving sanitation services in urban centres. The programme was coordinated by Mr Ajit Kumar Mishra, Assistant Director, RCUES Lucknow.



Participants during group activity session

### Regional Training Programme on Solid Waste Management in ULBs

LUCKNOW

A two-day Regional Training Programme on Solid Waste Management in ULBs was organized by the regional centre on 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> January 2017 in Lucknow. In all 37 participants including Executive Officers, Executive Engineers, Senior Sanitary and food Inspectors, Junior Engineers and Nodal Officer of ULBs attended the programme. The main objectives of the training were: to familiarize the participants with the concept of SWM, the legal & policy related issues for its implementation; to aware the participants with various waste management options and best practices; to acquaint the participants with the strategy to involve community in waste management and the scope of regional SWM options. The programme was coordinated by Mr. Ajit Kumar Mishra, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



Participants during training session on Solid Waste Management

### State Level Training Programme on Swachh Bharat Mission

IMPHAL

A State level Training Programme on Swachh Bharat Mission was organised by RCUES Lucknow at Imphal on 18-19 January 2017. The objectives of the Training Programme were to acquaint the participants with the need, importance and objectives of Swachh Bharat Mission, create awareness among the participants about the role of Municipal SWM Rules 2016 in Swachh Bharat Mission, highlight the importance of Septage Management Strategies. The training was inaugurated by Mr N. Gitkumar, Member Secretary, Manipur Urban Development Agency, (MUDA), Govt. of Manipur. In total 29 officials including Executive Officers of ULBs and Municipal officials of State level, participated in the programme. The programme was coordinated by Mr Himanshu Chandra, Assistant Director & Dr A K Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



Participants along with the faculty members at the training programme

### Regional Workshop on Swachh Bharat Mission: FSSM

JABALPUR

A two days Regional Training Programme on Swachh Bharat Mission: Septage and Faecal Sludge Management was organised by RCUES Lucknow for the municipal officials of Madhya Pradesh on January 23-24, 2017 at Jabalpur in MP. The main objective of the programme was to discuss the issues and challenges in the implementation of Swachh Bharat Mission in the context of septage and faecal sludge management, to improve urban sanitation. The programme was divided into different technical sessions including role of state and IEC as well as capacity building in implementation of SWM; planning for faecal sludge management; treatment technologies in liquid waste management; scope of faecal sludge management; regional and integrated solid waste management; key activities involved in septage management plan through IFSM Toolkit; treatment options for septage management; private sector participation and best practices. Technical sessions were conducted by faculties of RCUES Lucknow, CEPT University, Ahmedabad and Consortium for DEWATS Dissemination Society, Bangalore. Overall, 48 officials including Engineers, Specialists, Sanitary Inspectors and middle level officials of ULBs and other parastatal agencies participated in the programme. Dr A.K. Singh, Assistant Director, with support of Shri Ajit Kumar Mishra, Assistant Director, RCUES, coordinated the programme.

### State Level Orientation Workshop on Urban Development Schemes for the Elected Representatives of ULBs of Uttar Pradesh

LUCKNOW

More and more the capacity of nations to pursue their economic and social goals has begun to depend on their ability to govern their cities. As a result, urban governance has assumed increasing importance. This is largely due to the quantum and quality of contribution that urban centres make to the national income and to other spheres of development such as the creation of social and political ideas, transfer of information and technology, and creating social capital through fostering of arts and culture. Urban local administrations and elected representatives in our country have generally shown a serious lack of ability and capacity to carry out many of their major statutory responsibilities. They have failed to maintain their cities as clean, caring and responsive habitats. Moreover, there is much to be desired in the maintenance of the rule of law. In this backdrop, the RCUES, Lucknow had organised one-day Orientation Workshop for Elected Representatives of ULBs of Uttar Pradesh on January 28, 2017 at Lucknow. The main objectives of the programme were: to orient the elected representatives with aims, objectives and components of major schemes like AMRUT, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, National Urban Livelihood Mission and Housing For All. The programme also focused on reforms to be implemented by ULBs under AMRUT and the Concepts & Methodology of E-Governance. The programme was attended by five Elected Representatives of ULBs of Uttar Pradesh. The programme was coordinated by Dr Anjuli Mishra, Joint Director and Dr A. K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



*Panel discussion during the training sessions*

### Regional Level Training Programme on Swachh Bharat Mission

LUCKNOW

Two-day Regional Training Programme on Swachh Bharat Mission was organised by the Regional Centre on 30<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> January 2017 at Lucknow. The objectives of the training programme were to acquaint the participants with the need, importance and objectives of Swachh Bharat Mission; to aware the participants with the need, importance and role of SWM in Swachh Bharat Mission; to aware the participants with the need importance and role of open defecation free cities in SBM, to review the water supply and septage management strategy and policy in urban India & to highlight the best practices and case studies in urban sanitation and wastewater treatment and disposal. In all 18 officials including Executive Officers, Engineers, Specialists, Sanitary Inspectors and other officials of ULBs participated in the programme. The programme was coordinated by Dr Nasruddin, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow. At the end of the programme, a structured format was distributed amongst the participants for getting their feedback and the participants enriched the training programme with their valuable suggestions.



*Er. A. K. Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES, Lucknow addressing the participants along faculty members of RCUES*

### Activities under AMRUT, Ministry of Urban Development, GOI

#### Training Programme on Urban Transport, Contract and Project Management –Capsule III

RANCHI

The Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organised a three days Training Programme on Urban Transport, Contract and Project Management, under Capsule III of AMRUT, in collaboration with Department of Urban Development, Government of Jharkhand on January 23-25, 2017 at Ranchi, Jharkhand. The main objective of the programme was to discuss and deliberate on the pertinent aspects, dimensions and issues of urban transport, contract and project management. The course contents include preparation of RFP, Bid process, management, project planning and tools of project evaluation, role of taxation in project planning, planning for sustainable transport system, comprehensive mobility plan, public transport technology, introduction of project management, network analysis, municipal resource mobilization, project time management and earned values etc. The programme was attended by 16 participants including City Managers, Town Planners and other municipal officials of ULBs of Jharkhand. The programme was coordinated by Dr A K Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

#### Training Programme on Administrative Efficiency & Reforms, SWM & Project Management Capsule III

RANCHI

The Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organised a three days Training Programme on Administrative Efficiency, Reforms, Solid Waste Management and Project Management, under Capsule III of AMRUT, in collaboration with Department of Urban Development, Government of Jharkhand on January 27-29, 2017 at Ranchi, Jharkhand. The main objective of the programme was to discuss and deliberate on the pertinent aspects, dimensions and issues of administrative efficiency, urban reforms, solid wastes and project management. The course contents included AMRUT reforms, citizen engagement and E-Governance, service management, citizen interface, planning for solid waste management, good practices on innovative models of solid waste management, preparation of RFP, Bid process, management, project planning and tools of project evaluation, resource management, project time management, net and earned values etc. The programme was attended by 34 participants including Executive Officers, City Managers, and other municipal officials of ULBs of Jharkhand. The programme was coordinated by Dr A K Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



### Training Programme on Project Management, Contracting & PPP (Capsule-II)

LUCKNOW

The Regional Centre for Urban Environmental Studies, Lucknow has been organising series of capacity building programmes under AMRUT, in this series a three days training programme was organized on 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> February 2017. The topic of the training programme on Project Management, Contracting and Public Private Partnership is part of the advanced training Capsule II for Municipal Functionaries of Chandigarh Municipal Corporation under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT), supported by the Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India. This Training takes the initiative to impart knowledge about Project Management, Contracting and PPP to the municipal officials. This course was instrumental in the capacity building of ULB executives it facilitated participants to enhance their technical knowledge regarding project structuring and to build capacities of city managers in effective implementation of infrastructure projects. 24 senior officials and Engineers from Municipal Corporation Chandigarh attended the above training programme. The objectives of the training were to provide appropriate skills regarding management of PPP project, to understand the different procurement strategies, methods and approaches used in a variety of infrastructure projects, to develop skills that facilitate project structuring; especially the structuring of complex Public Private Partnerships, and designing procurement documents, tender documents, bid process management including evaluation, pre-bid meetings, contract closure and post-closure management. The programme was coordinated by Dr Alka Singh, Deputy Director, with the active support of Mr Himanshu Chandra, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



*Panel discussion during the training sessions*

### Training Programme on Tendering & Contract Management, Financial Planning & Resource Mobilization- Capsule III

RANCHI

The Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organised a three days Training Programme on Tendering and Contract Management, Financial Planning, and Resource Mobilisation under Capsule III of AMRUT at Ranchi Jharkhand in collaboration with Department of Urban Development, Government of Jharkhand on March 6-8, 2017. The main objective of the programme was to discuss and deliberate on the pertinent aspects, dimensions and issues of tendering and contract management, financial planning and municipal resource mobilisation. The course contents include contract governance laws and guidelines, types of contracts, statutory duties, , TDS, VAT, CST, service tax, ESI, EPF, deduction, e-return filling, tax audit, contract management, Bid process, risk management in contract , evaluation of technical and price proposals, bids and awarding of contract, GST and its impact on project, land value capture , municipal resource mobilization etc. The programme was attended by 36 participants mainly Tax Collectors and other officials of accounts and finance department from ULBs of Jharkhand state participated. The programme was coordinated by Dr A K Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

### Training Programme on Management of Water Supply, Sewerage & Drainage (Capsule- III)

LUCKNOW

The Regional Centre for Urban Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized a three days of advanced training Capsule III for Municipal Functionaries of Chandigarh Municipal Corporation under AMRUT, supported by the Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India on 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 at conference hall of RCUES, Lucknow. The topic of the training programme was Management of Water Supply, Sewerage & Drainage. This Training provided the better management strategies to the Urban Local Bodies for discharging their responsibilities as per specified service standards of Ministry of Urban Development Government of India. It focused on the standards and specifications for planning, designing and monitoring water supply, sewerage and drainage projects as per CPHEEO Manual and specifications. It also focused on discussing the best practices and replicable models in water supply, sewerage and drainage sectors. The objectives of the training were to acquaint municipal functionaries with the latest management and engineering practices in the field of water supply, sewerage, drainage, to enhance the knowledge in operation and maintenance of water supply, sewerage, and storm water drainage and enable them to plan technically feasible and economically viable projects. This course was instrumental in the capacity building of ULB executives. The course was designed to enhance their technical knowledge regarding management of water supply, sewerage and drainage services in urban local bodies. 29 senior officials and Engineers from Municipal Corporation Chandigarh attended the above training programme. The programme was coordinated by Dr Alka Singh, Deputy Director, with the active support of Mr Ajit Kumar Mishra, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



*Participants along with Dr. Nishith Rai, Director RCUES Lucknow and the faculty members of the training programme*

### State Level Review Workshop under AMRUT

LUCKNOW

The Regional Centre for Urban Environmental Studies, Lucknow organised 3 one day State Level Review Workshops under AMRUT for Municipal Functionaries of Uttar Pradesh. The objective of the workshop was to review the status of projects sanctioned under AMRUT in FY 2015-16 and FY 2016-17. To discuss issues and challenges in project implementation, bid process management, designing tender documents. The workshop also focused on the review of Reforms implementation in AMRUT cities, with a specific focus on designing the action plan for increasing green cover in cities. The programmes were coordinated by Dr Alka Singh, Deputy Director, with the active support of Mr Ajit Kumar Mishra, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

#### LIST OF STATE LEVEL REVIEW WORKSHOP

Date	No of Participants
21-03-2017	26
27-03-2017	32
28-03-2017	26





## Activities under SMART Cities Mission, Ministry of Urban Development, GOI

### Mentoring/ handholding Consultation Workshops under Smart Cities Mission

The Centre organized nine mentoring/ handholding Consultation Workshops for 10 cities of Uttar Pradesh for Round III under Smart Cities mission. The objectives of the workshops were to review the Smart City Proposals of the cities and to suggest changes for enhancement in the proposals as per the MoUD, GOI guidelines. The workshops were coordinated by Dr. Alka Singh, Deputy Director, with active support of Mr. Himanshu Chandra, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

RCUES Lucknow finalized the Smart City proposal of Jhansi (M Corp.), Aligarh (M Corp.) Allahabad (M Corp.), Ghaziabad (M Corp.), Bareilly (M Corp.), Rampur (NPP), Moradabad (M Corp.), Saharanpur (M Corp.), Meerut (M Corp.) & Raebareli (NNP) under Smart City Round III of Smart City Challenge. The SCP of all the 10 cities was approved by the SHPSC in its meeting 24/03/2017 under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary, Government of Uttar Pradesh and submitted to MoUD, GOI on 31/3/2017.

### Handholding Workshops for Round-II under Smart Cities Mission

Name of the Programme	City/ULB	Date	No. of Participants
Ist Round of Consultation Workshops for preparation of SCP Round-III under Smart Cities Mission	Bareilly	13-01-2017	12
	Moradabad		
	Allahabad		
	Aligarh	21-01-2017	13
	Ghaziabad		
	Rampur		
	Raebareli	27-01-2017	16
	Saharanpur		
	Jhansi		
	Meerut	28-01-2017	10
II <sup>nd</sup> Round of Consultation Workshops for preparation of SCP Round-III under Smart Cities Mission	Meerut	14-02-2017	09
	Jhansi		
	Allahabad	15-02-2017	13
	Raebareli		
	Ghaziabad		
	Aligarh	03-03-2017	15
	Rampur		
	Saharanpur		
	Moradabad	04-03-2017	17
	Bareilly		
III <sup>rd</sup> Round of handholding Consultation Workshops for preparation of SCP Round-II under Smart Cities Mission	Ghaziabad	21-03-2017	17
	Aligarh		
	Allahabad		
Total			122

## Activities under National Urban Livelihoods Mission

### Orientation Training Programme on Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihoods Mission (DAY - NULM) for Community Organizers of Uttar Pradesh

LUCKNOW

The RCUES, Lucknow organised two days Orientation Training Programme for Community Organisers under DAY-NULM of Uttar Pradesh on January 6 -7, 2017 at RCUES, Lucknow. The programme was held under the auspices of the State Urban Development Agency, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh. The main objectives of the above training programme were: to orient the participants with aims and objectives of the National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) and provide a common platform for meeting, interaction and experience sharing of various key stakeholders concerned with the implementation of National Urban Livelihoods Mission. The workshop aimed at sensitizing the participants towards the Role and Responsibilities of various Stakeholders under National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM). The programme was attended by 42 Community Organisers under DAY-NULM of Uttar Pradesh. Dr Anjali Mishra, Joint Director and Sri Ajit Mishra, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow jointly coordinated the programmes.



*Valedictory session chaired by Sri A. K. Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES, Lucknow*

### STAFF NEWS

- Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow participated in the Advisory Session of NITI-Singapore Cooperation Enterprise Urban Management Programme at New Delhi from 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> January 2017.
- Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow participated in the Seminar on Urban Development & Smart Cities during Momentum Jharkhand Global Investors Summit 2017 as Special Speaker on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2017.
- Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow participated in a seminar on Strategic Integrated Data Management Framework, Strategic Baseline Framework for water recycling and Strategic Baseline Framework for Integrated Solid Waste Management organized by NITI Aayog on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at New Delhi.
- Mr Himanshu Chandra, Assistant Director, RCUES Lucknow participated in FSM4 4<sup>th</sup> International Faecal Sludge Management Conference at Chennai from 19 – 22 February 2017 under UNSECO-IHE sponsored by Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

### ACHIEVEMENTS

- Regional Center for Urban and Environmental Studies (RCUES) has been empaneled to provide Consultancy services for preparing Techno-Economic Feasibility Reports, Detailed Project Report and Project Management Consultancy Services in the field of various Urban Services and Urban Infrastructure Projects under Urban Development and Housing Department, Govt. of Jharkhand.



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