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# Newsletter

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## Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow

### Activities under AMRUT, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, GOI

#### Integrated Orientation Training Programme For Elected Representatives of Haryana– Capsule I

LUCKNOW

RCUES Lucknow organized two, 2-day Integrated Orientation Training Programme For Elected Representatives of Haryana– Capsule I of AMRUT for Municipal Functionaries of Haryana. The programmes covered all the major schemes, programmes and missions of Central Government such as AMRUT, SBM, Day-NULM, Smart City Mission and Housing for all etc. Besides participants were facilitated for their exposure to best practices of Solid Waste Management, Park and Green space development and Bio digester and community development.



**Dr Nishith Rai, Director, RCUES Lucknow addressing the participants during the inaugural ceremony of the programme**

The programmes were jointly coordinated by Dr. Anjuli Mishra, Joint Director and Dr. A.K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

Date	No. of participants
08-09 January, 2018	17
29-30 January, 2018	12

#### Training Programme on Office Management, E-Governance, Administrative Efficiency & Computer Skills– Capsule III

LUCKNOW

The Centre organized three, 3-days training programme on Office Management, E-Governance, Administrative Efficiency & Computer Skills– Capsule III of AMRUT for Municipal Functionaries of Uttar Pradesh. The main objective of the training programme was to bring about personality development with regard to the different behavioral dimensions that have far-reaching



**Inaugural ceremony of the programme**

significance in the direction of organizational effectiveness. Along with soft skills and Office Management training the training aimed at enhancing the knowledge of computer fundamentals and its uses; the participants were acquainted with the various parts of the computer software and hardware. The aim of the programme was to discuss and deliberate on the pertinent aspects, dimensions and issues of administrative efficiency and e-Governance as well. The course contents included AMRUT reforms, citizen engagement and e-governance, citizen interface, RTI, Community

Date	No. of participants
18-20 January, 2018	26
23-25 January, 2018	22
01-03 February, 2018	24

Participation Law, Public Disclosure Law, Computer and Soft Skills. The programmes were jointly coordinated by Dr. Anjuli Mishra, Joint Director and Dr. A.K. Singh, Assistant Director, Smt. Rachna Rishi, Publication Officer and Mr Ajay Pandey, Computer Expert, RCUES, Lucknow.

#### Training Programme on Office Management, Computer & Soft Skills– Cap II

LUCKNOW

The Centre organized two, three-day training programme on Office Management, Computers and Soft Skills under Capsule II of AMRUT for Municipal Functionaries of Uttar Pradesh.



**Inaugural ceremony of the training programme**

The main objective of the training programme was to bring about personality development with regard to the different behavioral dimensions that have far-reaching significance in the direction of organizational effectiveness. Along with soft skills and Office Management training the training aimed at enhancing the knowledge of computer fundamentals and its uses; the participants were acquainted with the various parts of the computer software and hardware. The programme was jointly coordinated by Mrs. Rachna Rishi, Publication Officer and Mr. Ajay Kumar Pandey, Computer Expert.

Date	No. of participants
06-08 February, 2018	13
22-24 February, 2018	24



**Integrated Orientation Training Programme For Elected Representatives of NPPs, UP- Capsule I**

**LUCKNOW**

In order to strengthen capacities of Urban Local Bodies, States and other stakeholders, the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), GoI had implemented the Individual Capacity Building for AMRUT & Smart City Mission (SCM). Now MoHUA has introduced Integrated Capacity Building covering all other Mission viz. Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM), National Urban Livelihood Mission (NULM), Housing for All (HFA), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) & HRIDAY. The earlier Individual Capacity Building Programme and operational guidelines issued for the same are now subsumed under this integrated programme. The main objectives of the programmes



**Participants during field visit to Kanha Upvan in Lucknow**



**Training session in progress**

were: To acquaint the participants with need and importance of All the Mission mode programmes of Government of India and other related programmes.

To give exposure to the participants on various good practices in the field of parks, solid waste management, Biomethanization. In furtherance to the new guidelines by the Ministry, RCUES Lucknow organized two, two day Integrated Orientation Training Programme for Elected Representatives of NPPs, UP- Capsule I. The programmes were coordinated by Dr Rajeev Narayan, Deputy Director, RCUES Lucknow.

Date	No. of participants
06-07 March, 2018	9
26-27 March, 2018	12

**Integrated Orientation Training Programme under AMRUT -Capsule I**

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**Inaugural ceremony of the training programme**

In furtherance to the new guidelines by the Ministry, RCUES Lucknow organized two, three day Integrated Orientation Training Programme on Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT) was organized for the officials of Uttar Pradesh. The participants were apprised with the need and importance of AMRUT Mission, Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM), Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY), Deen Dayal Antodaya Yojana-National Urban Livelihood Mission(DAY-NULM); The main aim of the training programmes were to acquaint the participants with need & importance of Reforms under AMRUT; to abreast them with the concept & methodology of making SLIP & SAAP & to aware the participant with the concept of convergence and Good Practices in different sectors.



**Certificates being distributed to the participants**

The programmes were inaugurated by Er. A. K. Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES, Lucknow. In his inaugural address, he highlighted the importance of Capacity Building to improve the delivery of urban services. He stressed on the fact that Capacity Building in one of the most important components of AMRUT Mission apart from Reforms and Infrastructure

Date	No. of participants
12-14 March, 2018	11
22-24 March, 2018	10

Development. The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Nasruddin, Assistant Director and Mr Ajit Kumar Mishra, Asst. Director,

**Training Programme on Municipal Resource Mobilization, Financial Planning & Management– Cap II**

**LUCKNOW**

Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized a three-day Training Programme on Resource Mobilization, Financial Planning, and Management under Capsule II of AMRUT, in collaboration with Department of Urban Development, and Directorate of Urban Local Bodies, Government of Uttar Pradesh on 26-28 March, 2018. The main objectives of the programme were to discuss and deliberate on the pertinent aspects, dimensions and issues of municipal resource mobilisation, role of GIS and value capture financing/ land monetization, public-private partnership for resource mobilisation, financial convergence of urban development schemes for optimization of resources, financial planning, financial options for urban development, statutory duties of ULBs in financial management, budgeting, accounting and GST. In total eight participants attended the training. The training programmes were jointly coordinated by Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director, and Dr. A. K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



**Training session in progress**



**Training Programme on Water Supply, Sewerage, Septage Management & Drainage– Capsule II****LUCKNOW**

Safe water supply and hygienic sanitation facilities are the two basic essentials amenities, which are of top priority to the community for healthy living. While provision of safe drinking water takes precedence in the order of provision of basic amenities to community, the importance of hygienic sanitation facilities through on- site sanitation, conventional sewerage and sewage treatment can no longer be allowed to lag behind, as about 80% of water used by the community comes out of houses in the form of waste water which unless properly collected, conveyed, treated and safely disposed off may eventually pollute our precious water resources and cause environmental degradation. In this background Regional Centre organised a three day training programme on “Water Supply, Sewerage, Septage Management & Drainage” on March 12-14, 2018 at Lucknow. Overall 18 municipal officials from AMRUT towns of Uttar Pradesh participated in the programme. The programme was jointly coordinated by Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director and Dr. A.K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.

**Training Programme on PPP, Tendering and Contract Management & Computer skills– Cap III****LUCKNOW**

Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow organised a three days Training Programme on PPP, Tendering and Contract Management & Computer skills under AMRUT, on March 15-17, 2018 Lucknow. The Training Programme is an attempt to acquaint participants with knowledge, skill and attitudinal advantages in order to foster practical understanding on PPP, Tendering and Contract Management & Computer skills. Apart from explaining the conceptual understanding on the topic, there is focus on experiential learning through case studies from across the India. Participants could understand various aspects of selected case studies in PPP, Tendering and Contract Management; identify the bottle necks and existing limitations in PPP in Urban Context. Overall 24 municipal officials from AMRUT towns of Uttar Pradesh participated in the programme. The programme was jointly coordinated by Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director and Dr. A.K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow.



**Mr Chetan Sharma, COO and Director, Datamation group New Delhi during a session with the participants'.**

**TOT-Cum-Workshop on Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal ) Act, 2013****LUCKNOW**

Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies, Lucknow in collaboration with National Bank Staff College, Lucknow organized a two day ToT cum Workshop on Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013 on January 4-5, 2018, at National Bank Staff College, BIRD Campus, Lucknow. The main objectives of the workshop were: to examine the policy initiatives, programmes, schemes and projects for gender mainstreaming and gender inclusive development and governance in India; to highlight gender issues, gender discrimination, and sexual harassment of women at workplace; to discuss the provisions of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act, 2013 and related judicial pronouncements; to discuss the constitution of Internal Complaints Committee, and also to examine the roles and duties of Presiding Officers and its Members; to make aware and sensitize third party assessment, role of employers, preventive policies, conduct and service rules as well as steps to enquiry; to suggest measures for creating violence free working environment and protective measures for working women. The sessions of the workshop included gender violence, gender issues, gender discrimination, sexual harassment at workplace, legal and constitutional provisions and related judicial pronouncements, Vishakha guidelines, provisions of the sexual harassment at workplace Act 2013, Constitution of Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), duties and roles of ICC Presiding Officer/ Member, third party assessment, role of an employer, preventive policies of organizations, best practices, conduct and service rules, steps to conduct inquiry, protection of women against violence etc. In the workshop 25 participants from different states participated. The representation of states in the workshop was made from 22 states. The participant included Deputy General Managers, Assistants General Managers and Managers of NABARD posted at the state level offices. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. P J Ranjith, Principal, National Bank Staff College, Lucknow. The seminar was coordinated jointly by Dr. A. K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow and Mrs. Kanchan Rabra, Deputy General Manager, National Bank Staff College, Lucknow



**Mr. Manish Singh, Consultant, UNICEF, Dr. A. K. Singh, Assistant Director, RCUES, Mr. S V Sardesai, Vice Principal, Dr. P J Ranjith, Principal, and Mrs. Kanchan Rabra, Deputy General Manager, NBSC, Lucknow in the inaugural session( From Left)**

**International Study Visit for IUT India's Leaders Programme in Urban Transport Planning and Low Carbon Mobility**

The capacity building program called the “Leaders in Urban Transport Planning and Management” was jointly organized by the Institute of Urban Transport (India) and The World Bank as part of the ongoing Sustainable Urban Transport Project (SUTP) funded by Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India. For the visit Er A K Gupta, Additional Director, Dr Alka Singh, Deputy Director and Mr Himanshu Chandra, Asst Director represented RCUES Lucknow from 25th February to 4th March 2018 at Singapore & Seoul. The aim of the program was to develop leadership capabilities in holistic and comprehensive urban transport planning. It was not intended as just a technical program but as one that enabled participants to understand urban transport in all its dimensions and thereby occupy leadership positions that require decision making on larger urban transport issues.



**RCUES team during the visit**

**STAFF NEWS**

- Er A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow participated in the 66th National Town and Country Planners Congress organized by the Institute of Town Planners, India at Hyderabad from 3-4 Feb 2018.



## State Level Workshop on Engendering Budgets and Gender Inclusive Urban Development

PURI

The Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized three, day state level workshop on Engendering Budgets and Gender Inclusive Urban Development for the officials of Urban Local Bodies of Odisha state at Puri on 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2018. The main objectives of the workshop were: 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. Overall, 50 participants were attended the workshop. The participants were provided theoretical knowledge and exposure through lecture-cum-discussion. The programme was coordinated by Dr. A. K. Singh and Dr. Nasruddin, Assistant Directors, RCUES, Lucknow.



**Dr. A. K. Singh & Dr. Nasruddin, Assistant Directors, RCUES, Lucknow distributing certificates to participants**

## International Conference on Collaborative Development of Smart Cities and Smart Villages

NEW DELHI

Smart Republic 2018 was organized as an international conference to disseminate the results of “India – ICT enabled integration for Green Growth” project implemented through KGGTF on February 15-16, 2018 at New Delhi under the aegis of World bank. Smart Republic aims to strengthen collaboration among government, multilateral agencies, civil society, academia and industry for development of sustainable smart cities and smart villages. The forum is envisaged as a Multi Partner global forum to deliberate on the collaboration framework between government and multiple agencies like the World Bank, UN habitat, IIPA, UN Global Compact, Asian Development Bank, Industry and academia for achieving shared goal of making India a Smart Republic by 2022. Smart republic forum focused on innovative ICT and New Media platforms and deployment of best practices to catalyse effective, coordinated and results-based implementation of 100 Smart Cities Program, AMRUT, HRIDAY and RURBAN missions to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The participants of the conference were Smart City CEOs and Municipal Commissioners,



**Participants of the International Conference**

Senior government officers from Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, mission leaders and senior practitioners from agencies like the World Bank, UN Habitat, UN Global Compact and line ministries. In addition, the forum also invited smart city and smart nation experts from across the globe especially from countries like US, Europe, South Korea and middle east. This conference provided a unique opportunity for the delegates to deliberate on global trends and best practices in the domain of smart cities and smart villages. Er A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow participated in the conference as a keynote speaker. The programme was also attended by Dr Alka Singh, Deputy Director, RCUES Lucknow.



**Er A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow addressing the participants**

## Third Party Evaluation of Reform Implementation under AMRUT for FY 2015-16 and 2016-17

Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs decided to conduct a third party evaluation of reforms implemented by States in 2015-16 and 2016-17 and entrusted the task to National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA). For this purpose NIUA sought assistance from various training entities, empaneled by the Ministry for capacity building activities. Regional Centre for Urban and Environmental Studies Lucknow was allotted 4 States comprising 19 ULBs. The details of the states and ULBs are as follows:

- Chhattisgarh: Ambikapur, Durg, Korba, Raigarh, Raipur
- Madhya Pradesh: Bhind, Chhatarpur, Chhindwara, Datia, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Morena, Murwara(Katni), Seoni
- Sikkim: Gangtok
- West Bengal: Darjeeling, Jalpaiguri, Jangipur, Raiganj

The evaluation study was completed within a month. The Team members conducted city visits for onsite field verification of the reforms milestones. The team collected necessary documents from respective urban local bodies and conducted validation and analysis of reforms undertaken. The reports along with the documentary evidences collected by the team members were submitted to NIUA.

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

- RCUES Lucknow provided transaction advisory support to the Govt of Uttar Pradesh in the following activities: (a) Empanelment of Consulting firms for Development and Operation of Solid Waste Management facility at identified locations in Uttar Pradesh on Public Private Partnership (PPP) Basis; (b) Empanelment of Civil Society Organizations (CSO) for IEC Work and Handholding support under Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM) and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation.
- The Centre vetted 16 Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) on SWM for Investment Plan and Technology for Primary Collection, Secondary Storage and Transportation to processing plant for 16 Urban Local Bodies of Ghaziabad Cluster.
- The Regional Centre evaluated 17 Tender Documents of NGOs selected under SM&ID component of National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) assigned by State Urban Development Agency (SUDA) Lucknow.

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