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Capacity Building Activities under Ministry of Urban Development, GOI

State Level Consultative Workshop on AMRUT, SMART Cities, Swachh Bharat & Housing for All

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The Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India launched the four mega urban schemes viz., Smart Cities Mission, Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), Swachh Bharat Mission, Housing for All in urban area, setting in motion the process of urban transformation to enable better living and drive economic growth. In tune with the same Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized a State Level Consultative Workshop on Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT), SMART Cities Mission, Swachh Bharat Mission and Housing for All on 31st July, 2015 at U.P. Awasthi Vikas Parishad, Lucknow with support of Department of Urban Development, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, Directorate of Local Bodies, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh Jal Nigam. The major focus of the workshop was to have a one to one discussion with Municipal Commissioners from across the State of Uttar Pradesh. The issues discussed were related to the Implementation issues pertaining to the schemes viz., Swachh Bharat Mission, Housing for all by 2022, SMART CITY Mission and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation

(AMRUT). The Workshop was chaired by Shri S.P. Singh, Secretary, Dept. of Urban Development, Govt of Uttar Pradesh. Sri. Shivpal Singh, Director, Ministry of Urban Development; Sri. Shailendra Singh, Director, SUDA, Govt of Uttar Pradesh; Sri. AK Singh, Director, Directorate of Local Bodies, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh, ; Dr. Nishith Rai, Director, Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow; Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow and other dignitaries were also present during the day long workshop. In all 151 participants from across the State of Uttar Pradesh attended the workshop. The workshop was coordinated by Dr. Alka Singh, deputy Director, RCUES Lucknow.



Shri S.P. Singh, Secretary, Dept. of Urban Development, Govt. of U.P. lighting the lamp.

Regional Workshop on SMART CITIES MISSION

NEW DELHI

The Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India in association with RCUES Lucknow organized a one day Regional Workshop on "Smart Cities" at Ashoka Hotel, New Delhi on 3rd Sept, 2015. Total 225 Delegates from 11 States & UTs which included Mayors, DMs, Municipal Commissioners, Nodal Officers & other Senior Govt. officials from cities selected under Smart Cities Mission from the states of Chandigarh, Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, J & K, M.P., Punjab, Rajasthan, U.P. & Uttarakhand along with consulting firms/handholding agencies participated. The workshop was inaugurated by Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Union Minister for Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation and Parliamentary Affairs. Shri Babul Supriyo, Hon'ble Minister of State for Urban Development, Govt. Of India, Sri. Madhusudan Prasad, Secretary, Sri Durga Shankar Mishra, Addl. Secretary, Sri. Sameer Sharma, Addl.

Secretary (UT) & other dignitaries from MoUD, Govt. of India were present during the workshop. The objectives of the workshop was to discuss the way forward for stage two of Smart Cities Challenge. Various steps for preparation of Smart City Proposal were discussed at length. International Best Practices, Barcelona Smart City Concept were also presented before the delegates. The MyGov.in Portal was also introduced as platform for Citizen Participation under Smart City Mission.



Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Union Minister for Urban Development, Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation & Parliamentary Affairs with Dr. Nishith Rai, Director and Er. A K Gupta, Addl. Director, RCUES Lucknow

Services Level Benchmarking

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The Centre organized a two-day training Programme in Lucknow on September 15-16, 2015 to discuss and deliberate on pertinent issues of Service Level Benchmarking. The main objectives of the training were: to review the status highlight the relevance and procedures of benchmarks in urban water supply, sewerage, sanitation, solid waste management, and storm water drainage; to acquaint the participants regarding Performance Improvement Plan & Performance Assessment

System; to highlight the role of stakeholders in achieving service level benchmarking; to discuss the problems and challenges in achieving service level benchmarking & suggesting road map for improving sanitation & environmental services in urban centers. The participants of the training consisted of Executive Officer and Civil Engineers of ULBs of U.P. In all 25 participants attended the training programme.

Training Programmes under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme

Management of Solid Waste in Urban Local Bodies

LUCKNOW

The Centre organized two, two days training programme on Management of Solid Waste in Urban Local Bodies. The main objectives of the training was to enhance knowledge of municipal functionaries about concepts and guiding principles of municipal solid waste management, to familiarize the participants with technical aspects of Collection, Segregation, Transportation, Processing, Treatment and disposal of municipal solid waste, to acquaint the participants with various techniques and tools for effective planning and management of municipal solid waste, to highlight efficient and cost effective methods of managing



Participants during a session on Solid Waste Management

municipal solid waste, to discuss various strategies for monitoring and achieving Service

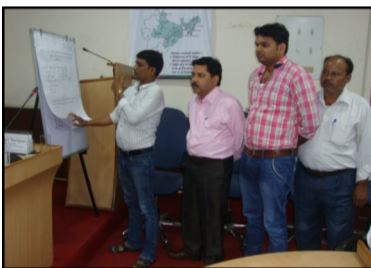
Benchmarks in Solid Waste Management, to discuss the best practices in solid waste management. The participants consisted of Sanitary and Food Inspectors from Nagar Palika Parishads of Uttar Pradesh. During the two day training programme technical sessions on various aspects related to management of solid waste were taken. The sessions were designed to cover thematic and technical areas which are relevant for municipal functionaries to effectively manage solid waste in their local bodies. The participants were also taken for a site visit to provide exposure on bio-digester technology. Group activity was also conducted during the training programme to assess the understanding and knowledge of the sanitary inspectors and in-charge of SWM services in ULBs. It was designed to help them understand the issues in SWM and to enable them to develop strategy for effective planning and implementation.

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES	
Date	No. of Participants
09 - 10 July	17
27 - 28 July	23

Mobilization of Municipal Resources

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The Centre organized four, two day training programmes on Municipal Resource Mobilization. The main objectives of the Training Programme were: to discuss the frame work of fiscal federalism and financial decentralization structure and sources of municipal finance in India and particularly in Uttar Pradesh; to



Participants during a group activity in the training programme

acquaint the participants regarding various methods for optimum utilization of existing financial resources; to highlight the innovative infrastructure financing mechanism including the pricing of urban services and user charges; to emphasize on land and land based

instruments for resource mobilization; to aware the participants about financial management information system using E-Governance and GIS tools; to highlight the need, importance and role of Public Private Partnership, Central and State Finance Commission in Municipal Resource Mobilization. The programmes were coordinated by Course Coordinators Mr. Ajit Kumar Mishra with active support from CA. Santosh Verma, Finance Expert, UMC, RCUES.

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES	
Date	No. of Participants
06 - 07 July	16
13 - 14 July	26
27 - 28 July	20
04-05 August	24

Inclusive Urban Governance & Planning including Pro-poor & Gender Budgeting

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The Centre organized two, two day training programmes on Inclusive Urban Governance & Planning including Pro-poor & Gender Budgeting. The main objectives of the training programme were to discuss and deliberate the concept, need, relevance and process of inclusive planning and gender budgeting; to highlight the engendering



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

urban development and gender budgeting in municipal administration; to acquaint the participants regarding inclusive urban planning for infrastructure and services; to discuss the structure of municipal budget and sources of municipal finances. The programme was coordinated by Dr. A K Singh, Assistant Director with active support from Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director and Mr. Sudaksha Pandey, MIS Specialist, UMC, RCUES Lucknow.

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Date	No. of Participants
06 - 07 July	12
18-19 August	16

Contract Management in Urban Services

GHAZIABAD

The Centre organized a two day training programmes on Contract Management in Urban Services on 24-25 August, 2015 in Ghaziabad. The main objectives of programme include: enhancing the knowledge and capacity of the municipal functionaries about the various concepts & guiding factors of Contract Management; familiarize the municipal functionaries with the approaches used in a variety of project contexts; developing skills that would facilitate the structuring of complex

projects, like PPP and also to develop the design of procurement methods and documents including tender documents& contracts; enhancing the comprehensive understanding of the bid process management including evaluation, pre-bid meetings, contract closure and post closure management; understanding and managing sensitivity around procurements and tendering in public sector environment. In all 19 participants attended the training programme.

General Orientation, Personality & Soft Skill Development for Municipal Functionaries

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The Centre organized a two day training programme on General Orientation, Personality & Soft Skill Development for Municipal Functionaries on 12 -13 Aug 2015, under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme for the state of Uttar Pradesh. The main objective of the training programme was to bring about personality development with regard to the different behavioral dimensions that has far reaching significance in the direction of

organizational effectiveness. The participants of the Training Programmes consisted of Assistant Municipal Commissioners, Executive Engineer and Assistant Engineers of Municipal Corporations of Uttar Pradesh. In all 21 participants attended the training programme. The programmes was coordinated by Ms. Rachna Rishi, Publication Officer, RCUES, Lucknow with active support of Mr. Ajay Kumar, Urban Planning Specialist.

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Basic Computer Operations for Urban Functionaries

The Center organized five, five day training programme on Basic Computer Operation for Urban Functionaries. The main objectives of the Training Programme were: to enhance the knowledge of computer fundamentals and uses; to acquaint the parts of the computer software and hardware; to enhance the practical knowledge on computer software; to aware

the uses of computer for enhancing the urban services. The participants were provided theoretical, practical knowledge and exposure through lecture, presentation cum discussion and field visit at e-suvidha Lucknow. The programme were coordinated by Course Coordinator Mr. Ajit Kumar Mishra with active support Mr. Ajay Kumar Pandey Computer Expert.



Mr. Ajay Pandey, Computer Expert, RCUES Lucknow taking session

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES	
Date	No. of Participants
20 - 24 July	22
27 - 31 July	27
03-07 Aug	19
18-22 Aug	25
31 Aug- 04 Sept	17

Transparency in Local Governance: RTI, Public Disclosure Law & Community Participation Law

The Center organized 13, two day training programme on Transparency in Local Governance: RTI, Public Disclosure Law & Community Participation Law. The main objectives of the Training Programme were: to apprise participants with the concepts of RTI and its guiding principles; to acquaint them on the principle provisions of the RTI Act 2005; to create awareness regarding public disclosure law and community participation law; to inform about the best practices in relation to RTI Act 2005; to provide guidance on preparation of a collective action plan for effective implementation of RTI Act; to discuss the various challenges for effective implementation of RTI Act and their possible solutions.



Participants during the training programme

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES		
Date	No. of Participants	Venue
24 - 25 July	34	Gonda
27 - 28 July	37	Gorakhpur
29 - 30 July	37	Gorakhpur
03-04 Aug	27	Kanpur
05-06 Aug	18	Kanpur
10-11 Aug	23	Kanpur
12-13 Aug	22	Kanpur
17-18 Aug	27	Allahabad
19-20 Aug	34	Allahabad
21-22 Aug	22	Allahabad
25-26 Aug	38	Bareilly
27-28 Aug	21	Bareilly
31 Aug- 01 Sept	28	Moradabad

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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. 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 field visit of E- Suvidha Kendra supported under IT Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh. The programmes were coordinated by Dr. Anjali Mishra, Joint Director, with the support of Dr. A. K. Singh, Assistant Director & Sri Himanshu Chandra, Asst. Director, RCUES.



Session in progress

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMMES	
Date	No. of Participants
02 - 03 July	12
20 - 21 July	21
04-05 Aug	16

EXPOSURE VISIT

The Regional Centre organized a three day exposure visit on "E-Governance, Good Urban Governance and Solid Waste Management" from 7th July to 9th July 2015 for officials of Urban Local Bodies, Uttar Pradesh under Comprehensive Capacity Building Programme (CCBP). The main objectives of the exposure visit were: to discuss the initiatives being taken by the state government of Telangana on E-Governance, Good Urban Governance and Solid Waste Management; to see the best practices of Telangana State on E-Governance, Good Urban Governance and Solid Waste Management. The visit included a total of 22 delegates including Executive Officers, Engineers, Food & Sanitary Inspectors and other officers of ULB's of U.P.. All the participants were grouped in three categories mentioned below. The participants were first given theoretical knowledge followed by field visit on different subjects like Solid Waste Management Project in PPP Mode by Ramkay Enviro Engineers Limited (REEL), E-governance & Good governance initiatives at Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation, Sewerage Treatment Plant at Amberpet, Mee Sewa Kendra, etc. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Rajeev Narayan, Dy. Director and Dr. Nasruddin, Asst. Director, RCUES, Lucknow with active supported by Mr. Sudaksh Pandey, M & E Expert.



Participants at Amberpet STP

Group Name	Members
E-Governance	8
Good Urban Governance	7
SWM	7

HYDERABAD

The Regional Centre in association with Gujarat Technological University, Ahmedabad organized an exposure visit of senior officials of ULBs & Dept. of Urban Development, Govt. of U.P. from 11th to 13th September 2015. In all 30

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participants including Municipal Commissioners, Chief Engineers & Nodal Officers of all 13 nominated Smart Cities of U.P. & senior officials from Directorate of Local Bodies, Govt. of U.P. participated in the visit. The objective of the visit was to see the best practices adopted in Ahmedabad in the areas of SMART City like Gift City, River Front Development, Urban Transport, PPP, Heritage, Restoration & Development of lakes urban/water bodies, E-Governance, Property Tax, Municipal Accounting/Finance/Municipal Bonds, Good Governance, Solid Waste Management, Affordable Housing and other related fields. The visit was coordinated by Dr. Alka Singh, Deputy Director and Mr. Himanshu Chandra, assistant Director, RCUES Lucknow.



Participants during the exposure visit to Ahmedabad, Gujarat

Training Programme on ATAL MISSION FOR REJUVENATION AND URBAN TRANSFORMATION (AMRUT)

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The Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India launched Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) with the objectives to ensure assured supply of water & a sewerage connection; development of greenery and well maintained open spaces; reduction in pollution by switching to public transport or constructing facilities for non-motorized transport. The primary purpose is to cover all households, for which a Service Level Improvement Plan (SLIP), has to be prepared by each ULB. In this context, the Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow organized two, two days **Training Programme on Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT)** on 25-26 August, 2015 and 27-28 August, 2015 at Lucknow. The main aim of the workshop was to expose the stakeholders on preparation of the Service Level Improvement Plan (SLIP). The major focus of the workshop was to discuss with Municipal Commissioners from across the State of Uttar Pradesh regarding Service Level Improvement Plan under AMRUT and to give hands on training on SLIP software prepared by Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India. The Workshop was inaugurated by Shri S.P. Singh, Secretary, Dept. of Urban Development, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh. Sri PK Singh, Under Secretary, Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India; Technical Team of consultants from Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India included Sri Dinesh Harore, Sri. Amit Gaur and Sri

MEETINGS ON AMRUT The Centre in association with Directorate of Local Bodies, Govt. of U.P. organized five Meetings on Atal Mission for Rejuvenation & Urban Transformation (AMRUT) on 15, 16, 18, 19, 21 & 30 Sept, 2015 at RCUES, Lucknow. The meetings were organized to formulate the Service Level Improvement Plans (SLIP).

Sreekumar; Smt. Promilla Bhalla, Associate TCP and Sri Nitin K Azad Assistant TCP from Town & Country Planning Organisation were also present during the workshop. The participants from 60 AMRUT cities of Uttar Pradesh included Municipal Commissioners, Nodal Officers, City RPMC Specialists, State RPMC Specials, UMC Experts, Jal Nigam & Jal Sansthan Engineers and Urban Water Supply officials. In all 219 participants from across the State of Uttar Pradesh attended the workshop on 25-26 August, 2015 and 27-28 August.



On the Dias: (R to L) Dr. Nishith Rai, Director, RCUES; Shri Shivpal Singh, Director, MoUD, Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES, Smt. Promilla Bhalla, Associate TCP and Sri Nitin K Azad Assistant TCP (TCPO) & Dr. Alka Singh, Dy. Director, RCUES Lucknow

Training Programme on USHA RANCHI

On request from the State Government the Regional Centre organized a two day training programme on BRIKS, HSUI and BCCI for the officials of Department of Economics and Statistics and urban local governments on July 21-22, 2015 at Ranchi, Jharkhand. In the programme, 37 officials had participated. The Programme was coordinated by Dr. A. K. Singh, assistant Director, RCUES, Lucknow

LIST OF OTHER TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANIZED UNDER CCBP

Title of the Programme	Venue	Date	No. of Participants
Benchmarking of Urban Services	Lucknow	02 - 03 July	09
		15 - 16 July	16
		12-13 Aug	18
E-Governance- Role of ICT in Municipal Service Delivery	Lucknow	15 - 16 July	15
		23 - 24 July	18
		25-26 Aug	13
Accrual Based Double Entry Accounting System for Effective Financial Management in ULBs	Lucknow	09 - 10 July	11
		20 - 21 July	12
		18-19 Aug	18
PPP for infrastructure Development in Municipal Services	Ghaziabad	17-18 Aug	22
		20-21 Aug	22
E-Procurement for Urban Services	Ghaziabad	27-28 Aug	23

Street Vendor Training ALIGARH

The Center organized five, two day training programmes on Urban Street Vendors at Aligarh under NULM. The main objectives of the Training Programme were: to orient urban street vendors regarding rules and regulations of Street Vendor Act; financial inclusion and urban development programmes and schemes. Over all 1200 Register Street Vendors were identified by Municipal Corporation while we have provided orientation training to 409 Street Vendors of the city.

LIST OF TRAINING PROGRAMME	
Dates	Number of
26-27 Aug	120
31 Aug -01 Sept	121
02-03 Sept	74
07-08 Sept	80
09-10 Sept	14

SMART CITIES Conference LUCKNOW

SMART CITIES Conference was organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) on Sept 30, 2015. The focus areas of the conference were: Smart & sustainable Infrastructure Development, Smart Energy & Green Power and Smart Utilities. Er. A K Gupta, Additional Director, RCUES Lucknow attended the Conference. He was a keynote speaker at the conference.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Centre has been designated as Resource Partner by the Dept. of Urban Development, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh under the SMART CITY Mission, Swachh Bharat Mission, Housing for All- Urban, HRIDAY and AMRUT for the State of Uttar Pradesh.
- Centre has been empaneled by Ministry of Urban Development, Govt. of India for providing support to the cities/towns for Solid Waste Management under Swachh Bharat Mission.
- Centre has been nominated as the Third Party Evaluator by Dept. Of Urban Development, Govt. of Uttar Pradesh under the clean-green campaign launched by the Govt of U.P., for selection of the Best Wards from Kanpur, Agra, Lucknow & Mathura. based on the successful works done by them in keeping their wards clean and sanitized.

INITIATIVES

The center has submitted a proposal to the UP Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (UPBOCW), Labour Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh regarding GIS survey for Identification and approximate costing of constructed properties /buildings from 2009 in Noida, Ghaziabad, Meerut, Lucknow and Kanpur cities of Uttar Pradesh.

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Regional Centre for Urban & Environmental Studies, Lucknow



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Building Capacities of City Managers for Achieving Good Urban Governance