



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**  
**BETWEEN**  
**CENTRE FOR INNOVATIONS IN PUBLIC SYSTEMS (CIPS)**  
**AND**  
**GOVT. OF MEGHALAYA**  
**(Dept. of Community & Rural Development)**

Whereas Centre for Innovations in Public Systems (CIPS) is established in May 2010, as an autonomous body within the campus of the Administrative Staff College of India (ASCI), Bella Vista, Hyderabad. This centre is set up in pursuance of the recommendations of the XIII Finance commission.

In line with its mandate and objectives, CIPS is working with State Governments, Union Territories and Govt. of India Organizations for promoting an innovative culture for transforming creative ideas into sustainable practices. CIPS is also making concerted efforts at replicating practices which have enhanced service delivery in public systems.

The focus areas for CIPS are education, health, e-governance and urban governance.

One of the important innovations noticed by CIPS relates to the Biodigester which is developed by the DRDO. The Biodigester is found to be effective in the disposal of human waste in different terrains and temperatures. CIPS has showcased the Biodigester technology at workshops organized at Hyderabad, Mysore, Bhopal, Guwahati, Mussoorie, Shillong etc.

Whereas the Govt. of Meghalaya has been on the lookout for an effective solution to the problem of tackling human waste. Meghalaya Administration has found the model of "Bio Digester" satisfactory and feasible to implement the same in that state.

Whereas the Govt. of Meghalaya proposed a formal arrangement with the CIPS for providing handholding support in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding during the entire course of implementation of the project. CIPS whose mandate is to promote and facilitate replication of best/innovative practices has agreed to the proposal and hence this MoU.

Through this memorandum CIPS agrees to take all measures in facilitating the Meghalaya Government to install the Biodigester. The assistance from CIPS would include preparation of bidding documents, technical and commercial evaluation of the bids from the ToT holders and making final recommendations to the Government of Meghalaya. CIPS would make use of primary and secondary sources with possible assistance from DRDO in this regard.

CIPS would also facilitate the capacity building of the officers of Meghalaya Government in so far as the installation of Biodigester is concerned.

Any item of work which has not been explicitly mentioned in the Memorandum of Understanding would be mutually decided upon by both parties.

The Memorandum of Understanding will come into force from the date of signing and would be in force for a period of two years. This can be extended by mutual consent by both the parties on such terms and conditions as may be agreed too.

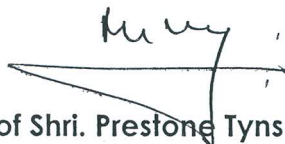
**Signed on this 27<sup>th</sup> Day of June'2013 between the following parties.**



**SHRI. K.N.KUMAR, IAS**  
Principal Secretary,  
Community & Rural Development  
On behalf of  
Govt. of Meghalaya  
Shillong.



**SHRI. D.CHAKRAPANI, IAS (Retd)** 27/6.  
Director,  
On behalf of  
Centre for Innovations in Public Systems  
(CIPS)  
Hyderabad.



In the presence of Shri. Prestone Tynsong, Hon'ble Minister,  
Community & Rural Development,  
Govt. of Meghalaya