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A two-day national conference on "Revisiting Tribal Policies, Research and Innovations", held on 29-30<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 at the University of Hyderabad.

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National Conference was organized on 29-30 August 2017 at University of Hyderabad. With the following objectives,

1. To review and discuss important policies already in place, the course corrections required and the need for drafting new ones.
2. To deliberate over the past and the on-going research (comprising survey of literature, new research techniques and change in methodologies in the past 20 years) concerning tribal population and tribal areas.
3. To bring forth innovative practices, programs, case studies and other forms of documentation of innovations taken up by government, individuals, tribal communities, NGOs, etc. for the purpose of learning and replication.

The Inaugural Session was chaired by Pro Vice-Chancellor Prof. B P Sanjay and Mr. Nakka Anand Babu, Honourable Minister for SWE&TWE, GoAP attended as chief guest. Following the inaugural session, the first technical session was chaired by Dr. Nivedita P Haran, IAS (Retd.), Director CIPS, which discussed extensively about the bridging gaps between the academics and administration. Subsequent parallel sessions were organized on Health, Tribal Identities/Social Institutions, Natural Resource Management, Education, Language and Expressive

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Culture, Livelihoods and Gender. This conference has created a platform for the Academicians, Administrators and the Activist to interact, debate and discuss about the policy formuln, innovative implementation and the need for research among the Tribals of this country.

Round Table on Roadmap for future Research in TCRIs was organized as a last technical session aimed to come up with takeaway points of the conference. The valedictory session was chaired by Prof. (Retd.) R. K. Mutatkar and Sri. K. Padmanabhaiah, IAS (Retd.), Chairman- Court of Governors, ASCI attended as a chief guest.

Chief guest while addressing the conference observed that,

- The TCR&TI should not be burdened with tasks such as issuing certificates and they should be given more time to handle the research pertaining to the tribal development and welfare.

- Though decades have passed from the time of independence, the tribal India is still lagging behind from the rest of the country.

- Jawaharlal Nehru adopted Tribal Panchsheel program. we have to learn two things while addressing the Tribal development from this:

a) Don't interfere their culture, with their social setup, with their institutions,

b) leave their freedom to them but whenever the development measure taken, given them technological support, managerial inputs, give them knowledge to better handle themselves and always strive to preserve their autonomy to govern themselves.

- The research should concentrate to find out whether the categorical division of the V & VI Schedule has benefited the Tribals in these regions.

- The progress in these regions has been uneven and the reasons to be examined and corrective measures need to be suggested.

- In order to guide the government from time to time and to safeguard the interests of the STs the Tribal Advisory Councils should meet regularly. Governors of the states having V Schedule Areas have to play more proactive role in administration of the Scheduled Areas.

- The Tribal Sub-plan has been formulated in 1976 and in 2014 Minister of State (MoS) for the Tribal Affairs mentioned that there are lot of deficits in implementing

the Tribal Sub-plan and issued additional guidelines for proper implementation of the Tribal Sub-plan.

The Tribal Sub-Plan need to be strictly implemented and the implementation needs to be studied in depth.

- It should be the duty of the government and the government officials to give moral support in addition to the infrastructural facilities provided by them.

- The following four (4) important legislatures to be studied in depth;

1. Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act (2013)
2. Recognition of Forest Rights Acts (2006)
3. Panchayat Extension to Schedule Areas Act (1996)
4. The Mines and Minerals Act (1957)

and implemented with sense of commitment, fairness and equity there won't be any problems with the Tribal Development in this country.

- To implement the above acts if the District Collector, CEO of the Zilla Parishad or the Chairman of the Zilla Parishad, the District Forest Officer, and District Superintendent of Police are given the charge and if they do it with utmost sincerity these acts can be implemented and the interests of the tribals would be safeguarded.

- We need to take efforts to identify the innovations in tribal area and replicate it for the tribal welfare.

- One of the best innovations to be replicated is the communitization of the services in Nagaland it would be an appropriate alternative to improve service delivery system in the tribal areas in the era of globalization.



Sri K Padmanabhaiah, IAS(Retd.),  
Chairman - Court of Governors, ASCI



# CIPS- Global Development Learning Network (GDLN) Distance Learning Series 2017

## Blended Learning Program on Korea's E-Government- Part 1

Global Development Learning Network (GDLN) Distance Learning Series 2017 is being hosted by the KDI School of Public Policy and Management, South Korea. This is a 7-part lecture series through Video Conference followed by a face-to-face training session called as the Blended Learning Program that covers various dimensions of Korea's E-Government. Policy practitioners, representatives from the academia and Governments of several countries are a part of this program.

Centre for Innovations in Public Systems, an associate of GDLN - Asia Pacific holds the distinction of being the only organization which is representing India in this forum. As deputed by Director, CIPS, Mr. Avik Chakraborty, Ms. Swathi Dev and Mr. CH NV Ashish are attending the sessions.

## 'LET'S TALK INNOVATION!'

### An Idea!-tion Session with Grassroot Innovators



*Dr. Anjali Hazarika, Domain Expert delivering lecture on Innovations and Creative Leadership*

The 21st century model of innovation differs from that of the last century that was largely profit driven. Looking towards the future of the society, the old model has taken a turn towards understanding and addressing social challenges through innovative ideas and practices. With social challenges being complex, ever growing and rather urgent, there is a need for collaboration between social entrepreneurs and new actors present in the scene of innovation. Despite such urgency, there is clearly a lack of the necessary collaboration and exploitation of innovative solutions to address the social challenges. This is not

new ideas and practices but because the same struggle to scale up and spread beyond small niches. While it is widely accepted that fresh minds foster innovative ideas, the same has not been effectively exploited for improvement in public systems. In order to provide a platform for grass-root innovations to not only surface but be discussed and debated, Centre for Innovations in Public Systems, Hyderabad, organized a one day Ideation Session, 'Let's Talk Innovation!', on 24 June 2017 with innovators. Part of the benefit of this platform was the bouncing off of ideas of the innovators and building on the ones that may effectively work.

## Comprehensive Policy for Greening and Beautification of Non-Forest Lands for the State of Andhra Pradesh

AP Urban Greening and Beautification Corporation Limited (APUG&BCL), Government of Andhra Pradesh has been offered an assignment for the preparation of A Comprehensive Policy for Greening & Beautification of Non-Forest Lands for the State of Andhra Pradesh on 12.06.2017.

**Goal:** Create an ecologically sustainable green space and improve the ambience and quality of life in the State.

**Objective:** Protect, plan, upgrade and manage all urban vacant lands, municipal lands, parks, green zones, water bodies and urban river fronts effectively by establishing biodiversity parks, urban forestry clusters, river front landscapes and herbal/medicinal plantations, etc. in the areas falling under the jurisdiction of all the ULBs



## CIPS Interns surveyed the Tribal Areas of Andhra Pradesh

9 Interns, 25 Days, 6 ITDAs, 192 Villages Visited, 1690 Tribals Interviewed



*Team of Research interns carrying out their research studies in tribal areas of Andhra Pradesh*

CIPS entered into an MoU with Tribal Welfare Department (TWD), Government of Andhra Pradesh (GoAP), Vijayawada, in January 2017 in order to carry out certain projects. Among them, one project is to prepare “training module for functionaries and Grama Sabha members to implement Panchayats Extension to Scheduled Areas-Act”. In this connection, CIPS issued notification on 12 April 2017, to engage interns from Department of Anthropology, University of Hyderabad. Following the notification, nine students have applied for the internship position. Board of members comprising, Director, Additional Director, Advisor and consultant from CIPS interviewed the nine interns, the board members suggested that all the students who have applied might be engaged to carry out training need assessment study with the help of structured

schedule in all the ITDAs of Andhra Pradesh.

In this regard, the letter has been sent to Special Commissioner, Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, requesting to ask the ITDA POs to make necessary arrangements for the above-mentioned research study to be carried out. The ITDA POs have graciously assisted the research interns assigned to their respective ITDAs. The research interns have explained about their field experiences and observations from the field. Director suggested them to compile their observations from the field and the team has been advised to come up with a report to be submitted to the Tribal Welfare Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

## Workshop on Skill Development

To harness the potential and reap the benefits of demographic advantage, skill development needs to be given a thrust in India.

Taking a cue from the Director, CIPS meeting with Dr. K P Krishnan, Secretary, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship,

Government of India, CIPS hosted a Brain Storming session on 29th may, 2017 with the Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of the National Skill Development Corporation and with the representatives of various States. The tentative agenda of this meeting was to develop a convergence mechanism for the existing schemes and strategies that are to be adopted for a comprehensive skilling program by identifying the existing gaps in the system.



*Mr. Papa Rao, IAS (Retd.), Advisor (Policy & Institutional Development), Government of Telangana*



# PRIMARY EDUCATION IN INDIA FOR THE UNDERPRIVILEGED: CHALLENGES AND INNOVATIONS



*The workshop was a meeting ground for Government Officials, Academicians, NGOs and other individuals who are actively participating in the education sector.*

## Areas under consideration to understand challenges and innovations in education:

- I. Early Childhood Education
- II. Primary Education
- III. Secondary Education including residential schools
- IV. Education for SCs and STs
- V. Teacher Training and Mentoring
- VI. Community Participation

## Way forward:

- I. There is no dearth of funding: In fact money can be saved by streamlining and

rationalizing some of the existing schools especially those that are nonremunerative

II. The crucial role of teachers cannot be underestimated. Teachers need to be better equipped

III. Community Participation needs to be broken down into simple do's and don'ts, for parents, for students, for teachers, for Panchayath leaders and everyone.

IV. There is need to synergize between that have proved themselves need to be universalized by the Government

V. Innovative practices that have proved themselves need to be universalized by the Government.

VI. Accountability of teachers can be successfully enforced only when Government Primary Schools are not left only for the vulnerable underprivileged but for all.

## National Interactive Workshop on Health & Nutrition

The workshop provided an exposure to share experiences and offer suggestions on the existing practices of Mid Day Meal Scheme (MDMS) & Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS); showcase various innovative/best practices adopted by the States/UTs on MDMS & ICDS; examine various nutrition programmes for children and pregnant & lactating women; understand the management of school health programme and universal immunization with special focus on the health progress



*The sessions were chaired by eminent resource persons, viz., Dr. Arun Singh (National Adviser, RSBK, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India)*

for the vulnerable children and discuss and suggest ways to establish better coordination between different departments in government for target based result.





*Foundation Day Address by Dr. Achyuta Samanta, Chief Guest & Founder, KISS and KIIT University at 7th Foundation Day*

## **Prof. Achyuta Samanta Delivered Foundation lecture**

Centre for Innovations in Public Systems, Hyderabad organized the foundation day Lecture marking completion of seven years of the establishment of the organization. Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Ph.d Delivered the seventh Foundation lecture on 22nd may, 2017 in the ASCI auditorium at College park campus, Hyderabad.

Prof. Achyuta Samanta, Ph.d, founder Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology and Kalinga Institute of Social Science Bhubaneswar. During his lecture, he has explained the various activities taken up for providing free education to 25,000 ST children from KG to PG through Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences. He described his efforts as a major social innovation in empowering the backward tribal communities in the state of Odisha. He has presented case studies of the success stories, documented in audio & Visual form. He has also mentioned that the Home Minister, Govt. Of India in his recent visit to the institute has appreciated the efforts of the institute and observed that the institute is playing an important role in channelizing the energies of tribal youth in a positive direction.

Sri K Padmanabhaiah, IAS (Retd.), Chairman – Court of Governors, ASCI has presided over the meeting. During his Presidential address, he highlighted the need for promoting and replicating the innovations in public systems.

He has explained that innovations in public system should be promoted on large scale as they would reduce the cost in delivering the services, make the processes simple, take less time for operations and ensure better quality of service transparency, accountability and customer satisfaction.

He further elaborated the social benefits of innovations as they would lead for better social justice and better civic engagement.

He informed the gathering that, CIPS is the only Nation Level Organization that is focusing on innovations In public systems and expressed his hope that the organization would become more vibrant in coming days.

Sri. Rajen Habib Khwaja, IAS(Retd.), Director General ASCI, Who is also the chairman of steering committee of CIPS has participated in the function as a guest of honour. While delivering his message, he has focused up on social innovations and the need of promoting them. He has also highlighted the need for identifying and promoting the innovations based on tradition knowledge.

Dr. Nivedita P. Haran, IAS(Retd.), welcomed the guests and C. Achalender Reddy, IFS proposed the vote of thanks.



## Awards for Innovation in Public Systems

The 13th Finance commission, Government of India, while proposing creation of the Centre for innovations in public systems(CIPS) mentioned in the concept note that outstanding innovators in Public systems are to be honored through a scheme of Annual Awards so as to incentivize the innovators in public systems/state departments.

In tune with this, CIPS instituted a scheme of Annual Awards from the year 2017-18 and announced the same on the foundation day of CIPS(20th May, 2017).

Innovative Practices adopted by State/Central/District level Government Departments/Organizations/ Private Agencies/ NGOs that have improved the service delivery of reduced cost and contributed significantly improved Governance are eligible for this awards.

There will be a total of 10 awards, 2 in each zone (zones into which all the states and union territories in the country have been grouped).Each award consists of a cash prize of Rs: 1.00 Lakhs and a citation.

The last date for receipt of nominations is September 30th 2017.



The nominations for each category of awards scheme will be evaluated by an expert committee/jury and more weightage will be given to the replicability and actual implementation/ replication of the innovative practices in other areas/states

**For nomination form  
and  
other details visit CIPS  
website: [www.cips.org.in](http://www.cips.org.in)**

There are two categories for the Award Scheme for the year 2017-2018.

I. Health : Health care services, drug procurement, hospital functioning, quality and access to health centres, health insurance schemes, health infrastructure decentralization to local bodies among other.

II. Education: Elementary Education, School Education, Adult Education, Women's literacy, literacy among vulnerable sections, linking literacy to skill development and vocational education among others.

## Interactive Workshop on “Innovative/Best Practices in Agriculture Marketing”

The Workshop was designed to focus on a set of objectives mentioned below:

- Expose participants to various Innovative/Best Practices adopted by the States/UTs on Agriculture Marketing.
- Understand the methodologies in minimizing the wastage of agricultural products.
- Apprise the participants about the latest ICT learning and e-Governance initiatives by Government of India/States/UTs and also provide the necessary insights into the processes and technical aspects of these initiatives.
- Establish a networking forum between the experts/champions of these initiatives to exchange and share the ideas/perspectives and development(s) in the area - from across the States/UTs.
- Discuss means for replicating these best practices.



*Interactive Workshop on “Innovative/Best Practices in Agriculture Marketing”*



## The Tribal Cultural Night

A Tribal Cultural Evening was hosted as part of the Conference that portrayed the true tribal spirit. Sri Giridhar Gamang, former Chief Minister of Odisha, a nine time Member of Parliament performed the traditional 'dhumpa' instrument. The septagenarian stole the show, which was followed by the Bison Horn Maria, Mayura, Dhimsa, Gussadi, Lambadi, Toda dances of the tribes of Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana and Tamil Nadu.



*Sri Giridhar Gamang,  
former Chief Minister of Odisha*

Later the North-East Student Forum of the University of Hyderabad took over the show and enthralled the audience with the traditional Bagurumba and Kuki dances of Assam and Mizoram.

The Cultural Evening was a diversified portrayal of Tribal art forms and served as a platform for some splendid performances by the Bodos, Kukis, Gonds, Banjaras, Savaras, Todas and Marias.

Centre for Innovations in Public Systems (CIPS) has jointly hosted this event in collaboration with the Cultural Committee of University of Hyderabad (UoH).



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