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## *CDC Celebrated Silver Jubilee (1986 – 2011)*



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## Silver Jubilee Celebrations

**Consultancy Development Centre (CDC)** the premier institution set up by DSIR, Ministry of Science and Technology in 1986 celebrated its Silver Jubilee Foundation Day on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2011. At the foundation day function held at India Habitat Centre, the founder Chairman CDC and former Secretary, DSIR Dr. S. Varadarajan was felicitated for his visionary initiative in setting up CDC.

Dr. Varadarajan nostalgically recollected the thought behind creation of CDC to facilitate large proliferation of Scientific and Technical expertise. He felt there was need for better utilization of wealth in India (Intellectual Capital). He proposed honorary consultancy service (couple of hours a week) by senior professionals for implementation of national schemes.

Prof. Samir K. Brahmachari, Chairman, CDC, Secretary DSIR and DG, CSIR was the Chief Guest at the CDC Silver Jubilee Foundation Day function.

Prof. Brahmachari commended Dr. S. Vardarajan for his vision and initiative in recognizing the need for development of consultancy as early as 1986. He appreciated CDC's role and contribution during the last 25 years in promotion and development of Consultancy across disciplines through diverse activities.

Prof. Brahmachari suggested that CDC should initiate schemes in 12<sup>th</sup> plan to cater to current challenges. He suggested that CDC should initiate a scheme to promote 'Women Consultants'. Such a scheme would encourage more and more women professionals to join consulting as a profession. He also suggested that CDC should identify a scheme to look at role of Consultants who would provide services for development and implementation of projects aimed to benefit people at the bottom of the pyramid. CDC could develop 'Social Entrepreneurship Consultants' who would act as catalyst in proposing and reaching out national plan schemes to the masses.

## Status of Projects

### Planned Projects/ Schemes

Under the scheme of Plan of Activities 2010-2011, the following Projects/ Studies were finalized and launched.

**a) Scheme on Accreditation of Consultants and Consulting Firms**

138 responses have been received against the advertisement till March 31, 2011.

**b) Scheme for Fellowship to Students of Academic Institutions for carrying out live consulting assignments**

We have received 1017 applications so far, out of which 18 applicants have been recommended by the committee for award of Fellowship against submission of report.

**c) Study for Mapping of Indigenous Technologies for State Govt. Schemes for Public Services and utilities across sectors and identification of consulting interventions therein**

During the month, the interactions held with the Principal Secretaries of three State Govts, Mumbai, Bangalore and Chandigarh.

Four CSIR Labs - CBRI, CGCRI, CDRI & NBRI have been approached for the identified technologies and visit to these labs is being planned.

**d) Study on Identification of S&T interventions and skill development in NE/ J&K/ LWE states and identification of Consulting interventions**

Draft report received from the agency – Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services (IL&FS).

**e) Export potential for Consultancy Services to CIS Countries – Russia, Kazhakistan, Ukraine and Belurane**

Online questionnaire was circulated to the database consultants, clients and other stake holders for inputs related to the above 4 countries, besides desk research. Meetings with related embassies, Ministry of Commerce, EXIM Bank and other organizations. Besides, we are in talk with local partners in those countries for required inputs.

**f) Preparation of DPR on Commercialization of CSIR water technologies**

Desk research including study of water technologies of CSIR laboratories, Ministries and Government Departments related to drinking water was carried out. One to One Meetings with CSIR scientists working in the field of water technologies and officials from Ministry of Water Resources, Rural Development, and Urban Development were organized. Discussions were also held with Scientists, Manufacturers, NGOs and Water Consultants through interaction meets as per schedule below:

(i) Delhi: 28-03-2011    (ii) Mumbai: 29-03-2011    (iii) Ahmedabad: 30-03-2011

Preparation of Draft DPR is underway.

**g) Scheme for Capacity Building on use of Consultancy Services for Ministries/departments of Central/State Governments/PSUs and client organizations**

Agreements were signed with five TCOs for delivery of 25 programmes till March, 2011 in various States. 25 programmes were completed during the period as planned/ agreed.

## **Funded Projects/ Studies**

**a) Preparation of Detailed Project Report on Modernization of Activities/ Processes for Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP)**

Review Meetings held with DAVP. Final report submitted by CDC.

**b) Project on Selection of Solution Providers/ NGOs for water challenges under the Technology Mission: WAR for Water**

- The Panel of Experts Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March 2011 evaluated the proposals submitted by enterprises and NGOs.
- *Contract Management* – Three implementation projects have been selected to monitor the implementation of projects/proposals selected by the Panel.

**c) Consultancy Services for Selection of Consultant for Online Prelim ARS/ NET Examination system for Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, ICAR**

Draft DPR is being finalized.

**d) Study on Preparing an Aspirational document for National Spatial Data Infrastructure Division (NSDI), Department of Science & Technology**

Few more responses received against the questionnaire sent to State Nodal Officers/ Govt. Departments/ R&D Institutions/ PSUs and Agricultural Universities. To get the inputs of various stakeholders with regard to the use of spatial data, Round table Meetings were organized at the following locations:

10-01-2011	Chandigarh	18-02-2011	Bangalore
31-01-2011	Patna	23-02-2011	Bhopal
03-02-2011	Mumbai	22-03-2011	Delhi

**e) Selection of Agency for Conducting All India Online Competitive Preliminary Examination for Assistance Direct Recruitment) Vacancies in ICAR HQ & ICAR Institutes Across India**

Work has been awarded to the agency as recommended by the committee.

## **PUBLICATIONS – CONSULTING AHEAD**

January 2011 Issue (Vol.5 No.1) of CDC Journal 'Consulting Ahead' was published and disseminated widely.

## **MEETING**

Meeting of the Project Advisory Committee was held on 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2011 to discuss the future plan of activities.

## Educational Programmes

### MS Programme in Consultancy Management

66 students of 13<sup>th</sup> Batch (2009-11) gave final Dissertation. 74 students of 14<sup>th</sup> batch (2010-12) appeared for the final examination of 2<sup>nd</sup> Semester and the 15<sup>th</sup> batch (2011-13) will commence from July 2011, for which applications will be available online from May 2011.

### Certificate Courses in Consulting

Next batch of Certificate Course on Management Consulting started from January 16, 2011 with 24 students.

### MBA Programme in Consultancy Management in collaboration with IGNOU

Meeting of the Expert Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2011. The course structure of Innovation Creativity and Technology Management course was discussed.

## Capacity Building Activities

Workshop on “Selection and Effective Use of Consultants” was conducted in the following cities :

- On 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2011 at Jaipur which was attended by 28 participants.
- On 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2011 at Mumbai. 43 participants participated in the workshop.

## Workshop Series on “Development of Technology Commercialization & Transfer Specialists”

CDC Conducted 3-day Workshop on the subject at the Bangalore, Chennai, Delhi, Hyderabad, Mumbai, Nagpur, Pune, during the last three months, through which **170** individuals comprising scientists, consultants, academic professionals, entrepreneurs and students across the country were benefited. Dr Y.K. Pandey, Formerly CMD, ITI Limited and Mr N.K. Sharma, Formerly MD, National Research Development Corporation (NRDC) were the faculty members for the Workshop Series.

## Business Development Activities

The details of enquiries received and proposals submitted by CDC during the month for various organizations are as follows :

Ministry of Home Affairs	Selection of Consultant for Upgradation/ Modernisation of the National Fire Service College, Nagpur – National Disaster Response Force & Civil Defence
Haryana – Science & Technology Department, Haryana	Consultancy Services for Feasibility Study for Setting up of Science City at Sampla District Rohtak
Department of Road Transport & Highways, Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport & Highways,	Consultancy Services for Empanelment of Consultants for the Highways and Roadways Project

## CDC Silver Jubilee Function



**Founder Chairman Dr. S. Varadarajan releasing the Document**

**Prof Brahmachari addressing the audience...**



