

CONSULTANCY DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Activities of CDC during July, 2010

1. EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

MS Programme in Consultancy Management

The fourteenth batch of MS Degree Programme started from 11th July, 2010 with 86 students at 4 Centres comprising Delhi, Bangalore, Chennai and Pune.

Third semester of thirteenth batch started in parallel with 81 students.

Certificate Courses in Consulting

New batch of short term Certificate Programme on 'Management Consulting' started from 11th July, 2010 with 36 students.

Classes for the Technical Consulting Course were held.

2. CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Two day Workshop on "Selection and Effective Use of Consultants" was organized on 27th & 28th July, 2010 in Delhi. The programme was attended by 43 Senior officials of Central and State Govt.

3. MEETINGS

Meeting of the Governing Council of CDC was held on 26th July, 2010 under the chairmanship of Prof. S.K. Brahmachari, Chairman, CDC and Secretary, DSIR, Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.

4. PLAN PROJECTS/ SCHEMES

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

a) Modifications in Ministry of Finance Manual for Selection of Consultants

Project awarded to Consulting Engineers Association of India (CEAI).

b) Engagement of Agency for Development of Web-Based Encyclopedia of Indian Experts

Twenty Proposals have been received and are being evaluated.

c) Export potential studies for Asia Pacific (TCDPAP Countries), Middle East Countries and CIS Countries

Meeting of Expert Committee for Technical Evaluation of Proposals was held on 6th & 7th July, 2010. Out of 12 shortlisted firms, five were technically qualified. The financial bid opening of five firms was done on 9th July, 2010.

On-going Plan Projects 2009-10

a) Study on Strategies for Enhancing Quality in Consulting

Comments of Chairman, PRC on behalf of PRC have been received which were communicated to the Consultant. Consultant has responded to the comments/suggestions.

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

Guidelines for the above scheme are under review.

c) Project on Documentation of Case Studies in Consulting

The contract agreement finalized by the Expert Committee has been finalized with authors.

5. FUNDED PROJECTS/ STUDIES

New Projects/ Studies obtained

- 1) Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) has awarded the project for Consultancy Services for Capacity Building Awareness Programme on QMS and QTT for MSME Sector in North East and Southern Region
- 2) Study – Preparing an Aspirational document for National Spatial Data Infrastructure Division (NSDI), Department of Science & Technology.

On going Projects

a) Project on Modifications of rules and regulations & bye-laws for National Council of Science Museum

Final Report submitted to NCSM.

b) Study on Consultancy Interventions in Central Plan Schemes of the Eleventh Five Year Plan

Sixth Meeting of the Project Review Committee was held on 29th July, 2010. The presentation was made by the Consultant on the functioning of portal. The committee made the following observations :

- The revised draft report submitted by the consultant may be circulated to PRC members for their comments.
- Functionality of the portal was broadly accepted with some suggestions on the features.

- To expedite the completion of the portal, Shri Vimal Kumar Varun, Scientist `E' & Head (IT-eG) DSIR has been requested to interact with web developer of the consultant.
- Workshop may be planned in October/ November, 2010 to seek the inputs of various Ministries/ govt. departments on the portal to enhance the utility of portal among the users particularly Ministries/ Govt. Departments.

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

Draft RFP and Expression of Interest (EOI) has been sent to Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board, ICAR for approval.

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

Progress Review Meetings held with DAVP.

e) Study for setting up of scheme for financial assistance towards building and equipment grants to voluntary cultural organisations

Presentation meetings held with the Ministry of Culture to finalise the study report.

f) Project on Selection of Solution Providers for water challenges under the Technology Mission : WAR for Water

Technical and Financial Evaluation of firms/ agencies was partially completed in the meeting held on 29th & 30th June and further clarifications were sought from two firms. The response of two firms/ agencies was sent to the concerned members and Chairman of Panel of Experts. It was decided that the Chairman, PoE will take a decision on behalf of experts.

g) Consultancy Services for Selection of a lead Consultant for National Flood Risk Mitigation Project (NFRMP)

Meeting of Technical Evaluation Committee for National Flood Risk Mitigation Project (NFRMP) was held on 16th July, 2010 to finalise the RFP.

6. BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

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

Goa Shipyard Limited	Consultancy Services for Selection of Consultant
Department of Science & Technology	Engagement of CDC for Selection of Agency and other support requirements for Technology Fairs/ Exhibitions
