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Geared towards creating innovative solutions to enhance public service delivery, the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP), through its Public Management Development Program, was privileged to partner with the National Productivity Council (NPC) of India for a 3-day International Governance and Public Policy Innovations study mission last 25 to 27 May 2021. It was done via online mode in coordination with the National e-Governance Division of the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology.

Participated in by the Senior Executives Class Batch 9 – Punyagi, composed mainly of senior officials of various agencies and regions of the Philippine government, the mission deepened understanding and appreciation of the impressive digital transformation made by India in e-governance. Hearing about the country's comprehensive and dynamic digital ecosystem connecting numerous sectors and industries as a key driver towards improving the delivery of government services impressed the participants, to say the least. Definitely, the mission further broadened their perspectives on the

potentials of technology in creating agile and future-ready communities.

The active sharing and exchange of ideas among the high level Philippine officials and India's gurus and experts indicated the huge collaborative success that the mission was. It is our hope that this unique virtual learning platform will endure for further knowledge sharing between the two countries, pandemics notwithstanding.

We therefore wish to extend our utmost gratitude to NPC and NeGD for the warm hospitality and generous partaking in this virtual foreign study mission.

Atty. Engelbert C. Caronan, Jr., President and CEO, Development Academy of the Philippines, Manila, The Philippines

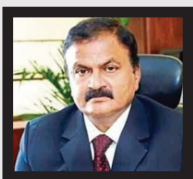
NPC to study Start-up Ecosystem in NE India for MSME Ministry

NPC RD, Guwahati along with HQ team is studying the Start-up Ecosystem in North East India to highlight the distribution of start-ups, challenges, opportunities in the region and technology interventions needed to catalyse their growth including the impact of COVID-19 on the start-up ecosystem. The study will lead to a roadmap for successful implementation of government policies and schemes under Start-up India programme.

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NPC becomes IS/ISO 9001:2015 certified by receiving grant of license for QMS from BIS

We pay homage to Chairman, NPC



Dr. Guruprasad Mohapatra

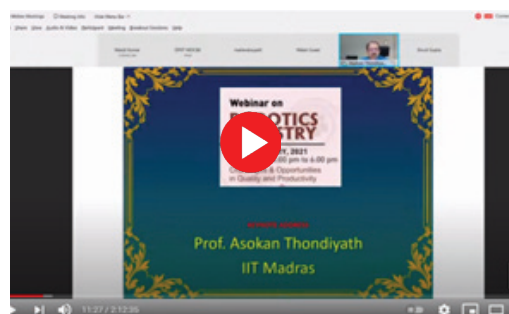
Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)

Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

22 April 1962 – 19 June 2021

NPC conveys its deepest condolences on the sad and untimely demise of Dr. Guruprasad Mohapatra, Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India. Dr. Mohapatra was a Gujarat cadre 1986 batch IAS officer. He had held several important posts in the State Government of Gujarat and in Central Government and was known for his hard work, efficiency and out of the box thinking. We hope and pray that God will grant strength to his family to bear this irreparable loss.

WebTalk
ROBOTICS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN QUALITY AND PRODUCTIVITY



IT'S NOT THAT I'M SO SMART, IT'S JUST THAT I STAY WITH PROBLEMS LONGER.

ALBERT EINSTEIN

DG NPC addresses 63rd Governing Body Meeting of the APO



Asian Productivity Organization 63rd Governing Body Meeting

Tokyo, 8–9 June 2021



Mr. Arun Kumar Jha, Director General, National Productivity Council (NPC) addressing the 63rd session of the APO Governing Body (GBM) held virtually, 8–9 June 2021.

The APO, Tokyo convened its 63rd session of the Governing Body Meeting (GBM) from 8-9 June, 2021 virtually. The Governing Body is the supreme organ of the APO and is composed of Directors designated by each member governments. It meets once a year to decide on policy matters concerning programme strategies, budget, finance and membership. The APO also conferred APO Regional and National Awards.

NPC conducts water audits for various industries in Rajasthan

NPC RD, Jaipur took up water audits as per CGWA guidelines for APM Industries Orient Syntex, Ultratech Cements Limited, Metso India, The India Cements Limited, Dynamic Fine Paper Mill Pvt. Ltd., The ITC Ltd. (Rajputana), Bisleri International Pvt Ltd, Speciality Silica Pvt. Ltd., Mahesh Edible Oil and Banswara Textiles Ltd. etc.

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Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways engages NPC for evaluation study

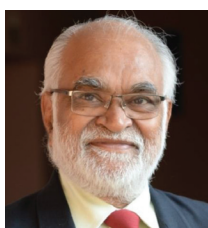
NPC evaluated five research studies such as effective utilization and disposal of dredged material, short and long-term measures for improvement of draft in the Hooghly estuary, siltation and optimal ameliorative measures and comprehensive analysis of siltation behaviour supported by the MoPSW in last five years. Few new domains for carrying out future R&D studies have also been recommended by NPC.

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APO Regional Award 2021: The APO conferred its Regional Award on Mr. R.S. Sodhi, Managing Director, Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (Amul).

In his message, accepting the award, Sodhi said: "I accept the award on behalf of 3.6 million milk producers of Gujarat and convey my sincere thanks to DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Gol and NPC for nominating me for the award."



APO National Award 2021: The APO conferred APO National Award on Mr. K. R. Chari, former Professor, Operations Management, Birla Institute of Management Technology (BIMTECH).

In his message, accepting the award Chari said: "I am simply humbled by the gesture of the APO, Tokyo for selecting me for this honour of the National Productivity Champion award. My special thanks to the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and NPC India for having considered nominating me. I promise that I will continue to put in my best efforts wholeheartedly to promote productivity in all spheres and continue my work in the area of Circular Economy."

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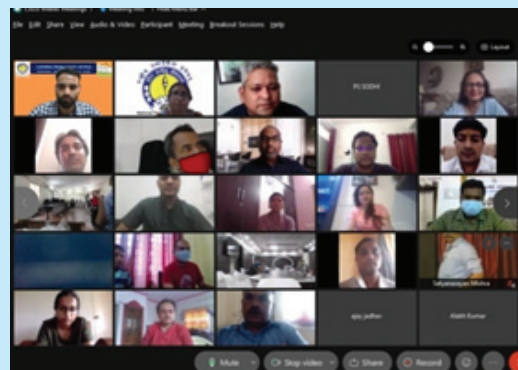
“ACTION IS THE FOUNDATIONAL KEY TO ALL SUCCESS”

PICASSO

NPC joins with Ministry of MSME, GIZ for MSME INNO Series

Under MSME Inno initiative, NPC is organizing a series of virtual programmes, including 15 sessions from 10 am to 1 pm, for MSMEs in Punjab and Maharashtra beginning 2 June 2021 under the Programme for Modernization and Innovation Promotion in MSMEs in India (MSME INNO).

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NPC conducts 2-day online training on air pollution and air quality modelling

NPC conducted an online training programme on air pollution and air quality modeling, 3-4 June 2021 in collaboration with Fluidyn India Pvt Ltd. The training programme was attended by 59 participants from public and private organisations and NGOs from India and overseas. It covered air pollution and air dispersion modelling, applications of advanced air quality models, and installation of 3D air dispersion model.

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NPC offers course on improving city ranking under Swachh Survekshan



NPC recently conducted a two-day online course on how to improve the ranking of your cities and towns under the Swachh Survekshan, 7-8 June 2021. The training

covered sessions on various indicators under Swachh Survekshan, waste management rules, sustainable waste management models, circular economy, waste collection and management model of Ambikapur. The online course benefitted about 80 participants including commissioners and CEOs from ULBs, waste management/urban sanitation, NGOs, consultants, health care facilities, and academia etc.

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DG, NPC addresses UNEP meeting on discovering plastic leakage hotspots

Arun Kumar Jha, DG, NPC addressed 500+ participants from 25 countries in a UNEP webinar on "Discovering Plastic Leakage Hotspots: How local Citizen Science and Frontier

Technology can Influence Policy to Tackle Plastic Pollution in Asia on 2 June 2021. He highlighted the citizen-based approach adopted by NPC in undertaking plastic leakage assessment in four cities of Ganga Basin in India and described the various tools and techniques adopted by the organisation in identifying and delineating plastic leakage hotspots in a city.

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“THE KEY IS NOT TO PRIORITIZE WHAT’S ON YOUR SCHEDULE, BUT TO SCHEDULE YOUR PRIORITIES”

STEPHEN COVEY

Upcoming APO programmes

Programme Title: Conference on Enabling Regulations to Accelerate Agricultural Innovations

Objective: Share recent and future agricultural innovations.

Duration: 22 July 2021

Programme Title: Training Course on Productivity Measurement for Service-Sector Organisation

Objective: Train participants in productivity concepts and measurements in service-sector organizations within the context of digitalisation and artificial intelligence (AI).

Duration: 22 July 2021

Programme Title: Conference on Promoting the Circular Economy in Manufacturing through Green Productivity

Objective: Examine the urgency of the impact and consequences of climate change on socioeconomic progress and the environment.

Duration: 30 July 2021

Programme Title: Workshop on Regulatory Ecosystems for Startups

Objective: Review startup ecosystems and their regulatory frameworks that support and accelerate startup success.

Duration: 28–30 July 2021

Programme Title: Workshop on Smart Transformation for Various Economic Sectors

Objective: Introduce effective methods used by governments, business associations, and enterprises in implementing smart transformation initiatives.

Duration: 21–23 July 2021

Project Notification Title: Multicountry Observational Study Mission on Enhancing Equal Opportunities for Inclusive Engagement of the Workforce

Objective: Familiarize participants with the concepts and practices of, as well as imperatives for, diversity and inclusiveness in the workplace.

Duration: 28–30 July 2021

Project Notification Title: Conference on Public-sector Productivity: Ensuring Public Services in the New Normal

Objective: Discuss the imperatives and challenges of the public sector in becoming more agile, resilient, and adaptive in the new normal

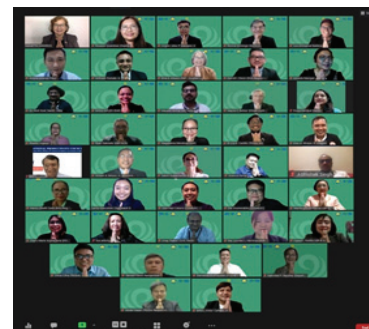
Duration: 25 August 2021

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NeGD, MeITY and NPC organise study mission for Philippines public sector officials

NPC and National e-Governance Division of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology successfully organised a virtual Foreign Study Mission on “Governance and Policy Innovations” for 27 senior bureaucrats of Government of Philippines from 25-27 May 2021, focussing on digital initiatives taken by India.



Special remarks



“It is indeed very satisfying and I am really happy that this International Study Mission from Development Academy of Philippines has given an opportunity to interact with practitioners from both the countries to enable mutual learning from each other.”

Abhishek Singh, IAS

CEO and President, National e-Governance Division
CEO MyGov, and MD & CEO, Digital India Corporation
Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India

Feedback from Philippines Officials



“India’s experiences in digital transformation are very interesting.”

Marife Lynn O. Pascua

Assistant Vice President
Land Bank of the Philippines – Central Office



“We should not be discouraged to change things for the better in our country no matter the size of our population, no matter the dynamics, no matter the politics, etc. because India was able to do it with all their equally serious and almost the same challenges. If they were able to do it, we can also do it.”

Vincent Aljon A. Cifra

Regional Director, Technical Education & Skills Development Authority – Region I



“I was in awe at how India is growing in the field of digital technology.”

Gay O. Enumerables

Assistant Regional Election Officer
Commission on Elections – Region XI



“Innovations are limitless and could be done through sharing of best practices.”

Darrell I. Dizon

Provincial Director, Department of the Interior & Local Government – Region IV-A



“My biggest learning was on digital transformation of India which can be replicated in the Philippines. Digital India succeeded because of the political will of the government and its leaders and their vision and commitment to empower their people through digitalization. This was their key to ensure transparency and reduce corruption. Their systems were standardized through contactless, cashless, and paperless transactions.”

Rowena T. Quiambao

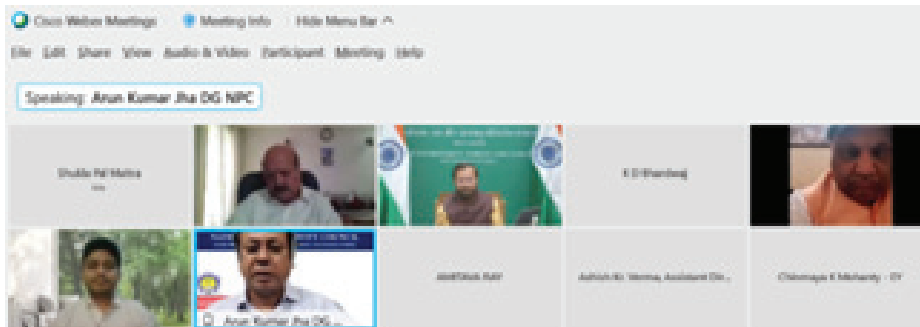
Assistant Division Schools Superintendent, Department of Education
Division of Pampanga

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DG, NPC explains CEA scheme to Hon'ble minister Prakash Javadekar

In an online conference with the Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) Prakash Javadekar, the Director General, NPC elaborated on the need for development of certified environmental auditors towards developing a robust monitoring and compliance system for environmental conditions for project proponents who were granted environmental clearance by the ministry on 29 May 2021. This scheme was jointly developed by NPC, NEERI, QCI and GIZ.

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Lightning and thunderstorm safety: NPC trains virtually



NPC RD, Chandigarh conducted a webinar on "Lightning and Earthing Precautions during Heavy Wind/Stormy Weather: Lightning/Thunderstorm safety" on 8 June 2021. The programme was attended by 46 participants, who learnt about the safety precautions to be taken to safeguard people, electrical installations, power lines, various properties and assets.

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NPC conducting energy and resource mapping of MSME pharma clusters



NPC, RD Hyderabad is carrying out energy mapping of different energy intensive MSME clusters belonging to the pharma sector for BEE. The study focuses on estimating the energy consumption, production, technology aspects at Bidar and Medak. Other clusters are Baddi, Ahmedabad, and Margao.

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The Tribune Trust engages NPC for manpower assessment study

NPC RD Chandigarh is executing a project for productivity improvement through manpower mapping and manpower assessment for one of the oldest trusts in the country, The Tribune Trust, for its offices at Chandigarh, Jalandhar, Bathinda, Gurugram and New Delhi. The study aims to improve efficiency in operation of the trust through manpower rationalisation for Editorial and Business operations and other allied activities.

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“SUCCESS IS OFTEN ACHIEVED BY THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW THAT FAILURE IS INEVITABLE”