



## B. Consultancy Development Centre

Consultancy Development Centre (CDC) is an Autonomous Institution of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India set up for promotion, development and strengthening of consultancy skills and capabilities in the country including enhancement of export of consultancy and professional services.

In the changed policy and economic environment at national and international levels, “Knowledge” is being considered as “Power” and consultancy is a knowledge based profession. CDC aims at fostering and promoting intellectual cross - fertilization of knowledge and ideas at regional and sub- regional levels within the country and interaction at the international level as well.

The mandate of CDC comprises of promotion, development and strengthening of consultancy skills and capabilities in the country including enhancement of export of consultancy and professional services.


During the year plan support of Rs. 200.00 lacs was received from DSIR for carrying out specific projects & activities. Besides plan support activities, CDC undertook various funded projects from various Ministries/Departments of the Government of India.

CDC regularly brings out biannual Journal – Consulting Ahead. Consulting Ahead is devoted to the publication of articles advancing knowledge through research and cases in all sectors and disciplines of consulting. The objective of Consulting Ahead is to become a source of innovative thoughts, knowledge and information of concern for consultants, clients, policy makers, academicians and professionals from various disciplines. It also aims at sharing of professional achievements, professional concerns and providing a global perspective to consulting profession.

CDC has also taken an initiative to develop a virtual network “ *Consulting Hub*” for gathering the information of consultants’s expertise and enable their interaction with clients anywhere anytime to provide their consultancy based on requirements.

Activities undertaken during the year are as follows:

1. Study on skills required for Consulting Industry in India and Assessment of Consulting skills requirement in R&D Sector and Skill Mapping for Consultancy Interventions of Indian R&D Labs.
2. Study on Understanding of the Structural Mechanisms, Business Models & Best Practices followed by Professional Bodies in Consulting at Global Level.

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3. Study on Development on State specific training module for capacity building for use of consultancy services by Ministries/ State Govt. Departments/ PSUs etc. Development & Knowledge Management with Partner Institution (KMPI )
  4. Study on Role of Consultants in Effective Implementation Mechanism for Key Infrastructure Projects of National Importance
  5. Designing and Developing a virtual network through a portal for clients and consultants
  6. Project on Conceptualizing the Modalities of R&D including a Gap Analysis Study, Preparation of Modules, Train the Trainer Programmes and Impact Assessment
  7. Study on the “Status and Consulting opportunities in India for the upcoming sectors: Renewable Energy, Bio-technology & Nano-technology”
  8. Entrepreneurship building and skill Development through appropriate technology interventions in three 3 LWE Districts of U.P & 11 LWE districts of Bihar in food processing and marketable skill development
  9. Accreditation Scheme for Consultants and Consulting Firms - Ongoing Scheme
  10. Building Capacities for Consultancy
  11. Study & Analysis of “Knowledge Management Systems in Indian Government & Public Sector Organizations for generating a model framework for Knowledge Management System in such organizations including compilation of success stories.
  12. Financial Assistance under Scheme for Exposure of Consultants to International Best Practices (including TCDPAP, FIDIC and other conferences and seminars) - Support was provided to FIDIC International Infrastructure Conference (28 September, 2015 – 01 October, 2015)
  13. Study on Export of Consultancy Services to South East Asian Countries - China, Indonesia, Thailand, Nepal, Bangladesh and Myanmar

#### **Financial Performance**

During the financial year 2014-15, Centre was provided Plan funds of Rs. 200.00 lakhs for carrying out various activities relating to consultancy development and promotion. Expenditure of Rs. 436.00 lakhs was incurred and the total revenue generation from various programmes & activities during the year was Rs. 249.78 lakhs.