ICSI launches Certificate Course on

"Certified CSR Professional"

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The launch of 3 months Certified CSR Professional Course, at Bhubaneswar

The three month course on CSR was initiated in coordination with Ministry of Skill Development and entrepreneurship, Govt. of India. Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon’ble Minister for Petroleum Natural Gas and Skill Development launched this certificate course on 31st August, 2018 at ICSI National Convention held at Bhubaneswar, Odisha.

The formal announcement for the enrolment for the course was made on 4th October 2018, on the eve of CS Foundation Day. Over 550 candidates from different walks and across the country enrolled in the maiden batch of Certified CSR Professional Course. The last date of enrolment was 31st October 2018 and the course was formally commenced from 15th November 2018.

As a part of the certificate course, all the enrolled candidates were called to attend one day contact program and the same was held region specific at ICSI-Noida (Northern Region), CCGRT, Navi Mumbai (Western Region), CoE Hyderabad (Southern Region) and ICSI-EIRO (Eastern Region) on 14th, 16th, 20th and 22nd November 2018 respectively.

The series of the contact program started from the Northern region at ICSI-Noida on 14th November, 2018 which was attended by 160 delegates.
Release of CSR Modules by the dignitaries during the inaugural session at ICSI, Noida. L-R Dr. S K Jena, Director, ICSI, Shri B R Pradhan, Head-CSR, IOCL, CS Makarand Lele, President, ICSI, Mr. Ashok Pavadia, Former Additional Secretary, Govt. of India, CS A K Dixit, Officiating Secretary, ICSI

The format of the contact program was uniform in all the regions with four technical sessions, out of which three were in the form of Panel Discussions on the three modules of the certificate course such as “Concept of CSR in Indian Context” “Implementation, Governance and monitoring of CSR activities” and “CSR Compliance, Audit and Standard”.

Contact Programme of Western Region

The Contact Programme for Western Region was held at ICSI-CCGRT, Navi Mumbai. Each Panel was represented by Corporate CSR Heads & Company Secretaries, NGO professionals and members from academia to highlight the issues relating to CSR and the road ahead. All the sessions were followed by Q & A and the queries rose by the candidates where appropriately responded by the panelists. The study materials with case studies were distributed to the participants. The candidates were also provided access to the e-books.

After Western Region, the orientation program was organized at ICSI-CoE Hyderabad on 20th November 2018 for the delegates hailing from Southern States viz. Telangana, Andhra, Tamilnadu, Karnataka, Kerala and Puducherry.
Lighting of lamp by the dignitaries at Centre of Excellence, Hyderabad

During the final leg of the series ICSI-EIRC hosted the program on 22nd November 2018 for the delegates hailing from Eastern and North Eastern states of the country which had representation from West Bengal, Bihar, Odisha, Assam, Nagaland, Mizoram etc.

All the delegates as well as dignitaries complimented ICSI for the steps taken to introduce a course which has not only a professional scope but also a philanthropic significance under the able leadership of CS Makarand Lele, President, ICSI. The course will go a long way by developing competency among the professionals in the domain of CSR and will definitely pave the way to develop a cadre of trained personal to take up the CSR initiatives of the Corporates which will facilitate millions of non-government organisations working in the social sectors for empowerment of the people of this nation.