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FROM THE DIRECTOR

It gives me immense pleasure to assume full charge of ISTM one of the premier Central training Institute of Government of India. This quarter had been difficult one for the entire country due to COVID pandemic. This Institute lost one of its stalwart faculty Shri K. Govindarajulu, Joint Director. This Institute pays its homage to the departed soul.

ISTM has been bringing out this quarterly newsletter with glimpses of activities and programmes undertaken during every quarter. I welcome all readers to the activities undertaken during April to June 2021, in the present issue.

We at ISTM remain committed to provide quality training to public servants and thus contribute towards an efficient and effective public service delivery mechanism. We are constantly upgrading our capacity through faculty development and use of latest technology. This enables us to cater to the training needs of a wide range of organizations ranging from Central Government Ministries and Departments, State Governments and Union Territories, Constitutional, Statutory and Autonomous Bodies and Public Sector Undertakings to almost all other types of Government offices.

You will be happy to know that ISTM has emerged as a front runner among all other Central Training Institutes in development of e-content for 'Mission *Karmayogi*' as well as Learning Management Systems. Using the pre-production platform of Integrated Government Online Training (iGOT 2.0), ISTM has begun to deliver online training.

I request all the esteemed readers of ISTM News to share their ideas and suggestions with us for further improvements in the content of the newsletter.

(S.D. Sharma)
Director, ISTM

SINCERELY YOURS

It is our pleasure to present to you the April to June 2021 issue of ISTM News. For your convenience and easy reading, ISTM News is divided into four parts - From the **Director** wherein Director, ISTM outlines the vision and objectives of the Institute; in **Sincerely Yours** (the section you are currently reading) the Editorial Board introduces the issue; **Happenings** - which gives a glimpse of major activities of the Institute during this period; and Miscellany which is a forum for our faculty members, officers / staff and trainees to exercise their creative faculties.

During this quarter the Institute conducted 21 courses, through online, which were attended by 690 participants. The editorial team has tried to encapsulate various activities in the Institute during this period. Please feel free to call us to provide your candid feedback and suggestions for further improvement and for any specific information you may want.

Please log on to our website www.istm.gov.in to know more about our ensuing programmes. –

Col. Sanjay Kumar Sharma	-	Additional Director
Shri Moloy Sanyal	-	Deputy Secretary
Shri Vadali Rambabu	-	Deputy Secretary

Happenings
Online Courses Conducted During
April to June 2021

CSS-Cadre Training Courses – 6 Courses as under: -

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration		Course Director	No. of participants
		From	To		
1	ASO DR SP	12.04.2021	04.06.2021	AJ	12
2	Level A-103	12.04.2021	07.05.2021	PKJ	49
3	Level A-104	26.04.2021	21.05.2021	PR	38
4	Level B-107	03.05.2021	04.06.2021	RJS	25
5	Level A-105	24.05.2021	18.06.2021	YD	29
6	Level A-106	07.06.2021	02.07.2021	PR	33
Total No. of Participants					186

CSSS-Cadre Training Courses - 7 Courses as under: -

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration		Course Director	No. of participants
		From	To		
1	SDR-34	12.04.2021	04.06.2021	BP	67
2	SDR-35	12.04.2021	04.06.2021	AKB	59
3	Level I-25	19.04.2021	07.05.2021	MS	31
4	Level I-26	31.05.2021	18.06.2021	PKJ	39
5	Level I-27	07.06.2021	25.06.2021	BP	36
6	Level I-57	14.06.2021	25.06.2021	RJS	28
7	Level I-28	28.06.2021	16.07.2021	MS	36
Total No. of Participants					296

Organization Specific Programs (OSP)/ Cadre Specific Programmes (CSP) - 4 Courses as under: -

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration		Course Director	No. of participants
		From	To		
1	OSP-NPCIL	24.04.2021	27.04.2021	DKJ	25
2	CSP-IES	31.05.2021	18.06.2021	DB	21
3	CSP-ITS	21.06.2021	09.07.2021	PKJ	25
4	OSP-C&A PII	23.06.2021	27.07.2021	DB	22
Total No. of Participants					93

Calendar Courses other than CSS/CSSS CTP- 4 Courses as under: -

S.No.	Name of the course	Duration		Course Director	No. of participants
		From	To		
1	RTI-AA	09.04.2021	09.04.2021	KJR	22
2	PMG-1-10	12.04.2021	14.04.2021	DKB	44
3	ARM-01	15.04.2021	16.04.2021	RG	27
4	WND-39	22.04.2021	23.04.2021	YD	22
Total No. of Participants					115

OBITUARY

Shri K. Govindarajulu, Joint Director, ISTM expired on Sunday, 9th May 2021 while he was admitted to the Sadarjung Hospital for COVID treatment. His untimely demise was a shock to everyone in the ISTM fraternity. His death left a big void in ISTM. Everyone at the Institute, ex-colleagues, numerous participants of various training courses felt the loss of Shri Govindarajulu as their personal loss. Shri Govindarajulu was a cheerful person at heart and had always been a great source of wit, inspiration and strength to his colleagues. He was one of the most admired faculty member of ISTM as well as an outstanding colleague, a supportive leader and a well-known expert in his domain knowledge. It was an honour for everyone in ISTM to have worked with him. His work, achievements and contribution for the cause of ISTM will be remembered and his absence will be felt for a long time to come.

Shri Govindarajulu was an ex-Naval Officer and he joined ISTM on 25.9.2006 on re-employment basis. He is survived by his wife Smt. G. Viji, a daughter who is pursuing Dentistry and a son who is in School.



The Smiling Face of KGR

Sh. Apendu Ganguli, Ex-Faculty, ISTM

It has been said by the Indian Navy that the “elite arm of submarines is for those who yearn for the exclusive challenge of operating below the surface of the oceans in highly technical and powerful submarines”.

Friends, many of you may not know that Shri K Govindarajulu, Joint Director with the ISTM, who most tragically and suddenly left us, was a Submariner with the Indian Navy before joining the ISTM. After completing his tenure with the Indian Navy, he joined ISTM initially in the post of Deputy Director. He was an expert in computers and immediately took charge as System Administrator in addition to his faculty duties in 2010. ISTM at this time was in the initial phase of computerization and digitization. KGR, as he was popularly known, took complete charge of this project and has brought computerization to the level at which it is today. ISTM is an ISO 9001: 2015 Institution today.

Friends, I was to complete my tenure with the ISTM in June 2010. The additional charge of co-ordination was with me. The then Director, Shri RK Saini, was on the lookout for a suitable officer who could handle the sensitive charge of co-ordination. The natural choice fell on KGR.

KGR was a Submariner. He had developed to the hilt the qualities of cool headedness, focused approach, dedication, humility, perseverance, sincerity and above all a high degree of maturity. In my over twelve years of association with him, till the day he left, I had never seen him lose his temper. A loving smile always played on his face. He had, at times, faced difficult times at ISTM but nobody could make out from his demeanour or from his dealing with colleagues such changes in his official situations. He knew how to treat both favourable and adverse situations alike – a very rare blessing. Only recently, on the recommendations of the Union Public Service Commission he was appointed permanently to the post of Joint Director in the ISTM. For KGR his objective was only and only the advancement of ISTM. In fact, he was the face of ISTM at national level. But for his initiative and drive, many projects of ISTM would not have seen light of the day.

It is an immeasurable tragedy for his family. A simple devoted housewife, two brilliant children, a sweet daughter doing her BDS in Chennai and a sweet son studying in class XI in DPS in Delhi. May God give them strength to bear this unthinkable loss.

ISTM has lost an officer and a gentleman. This void can never be filled.

May his soul rest in peace.