# **Information Brochure**





# International Workshop on "Biodiversity" International Centre for Environment Audit and Sustainable Development (iCED), SAI India





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#### SAI INDIA: AN INTRODUCTION

The Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) of India is a Constitutional Authority appointed

by the President of India to head the Supreme Audit Institution (SAI) of India.

Our mission is to promote accountability, transparency and good governance through high quality auditing of public receipts and expenditure in order to provide independent assurance to stakeholders that public funds are being used efficiently and only for the intended purposes. SAI of India chairs the INTOSAI Knowledge Sharing Committee and its Working Group on IT Audit.



Mr. Girish Chandra Murmu, Comptroller and Auditor General of India

CAG of India also chairs the Compliance Audit Sub-committee of the PSC.

#### International Workshop on "Biodiversity" of INTOSAI WGEA

The International workshop on "Biodiversity" is scheduled from 22.02.2021 to 24.02.2021 & from 01.03.2021 to 03.03.2021 at the International Centre for Environment Audit & Sustainable Development (iCED), Jaipur through Video Conference (VC).

#### Indicative Course contents of workshop

1.	1. Overview of global framework for biodiversity conservation		
2.	Audit of biodiversity conservation with special reference to use of Geo-informatics		
3.	Audit of conservation of aquatic biodiversity		
4.	4. Audit of Biodiversity conservation in terrestrial environment		
5.	Experience Sharing		

Details of the International Workshop on Biodiversity from 22.02.2021 to 24.02.2021, 2021 & from 01.03.2021 to 03.03.2021

#### 1. Language proficiency and experience:

The medium of instruction is English and workable fluency in English is an essential prerequisite for the programme. Mid-level/senior professionals with at least 5 years' professional experience would have better prospects to be accepted for the training programme.

#### 2. Application for the training programme:

Applicants for workshop on "Biodiversity" need to send filled-in nomination forms duly endorsed by respective head of departments before 10<sup>th</sup> February,2021 to Mr. Pushkar Kumar, Director (T&R), iCED at iced@cag.gov.in.

#### 4. Contact details:

For further information regarding course registration, please contact Mr. Pushkar Kumar at e-mail address <a href="mailto:kumarp2@cag.gov.in">kumarp2@cag.gov.in</a> or <a href="mailto:iced@cag.gov.in">iced@cag.gov.in</a>

## About iCED

SAI India has been conducting international training Programmes since 1979. iCED is a designated Global



#### Vision

We aim to be a global Centre of Excellence improving accountability governance in the area of environment and sustainable development.

Training Facility of Working Group on Environmental Audit (WGEA), as well as of the Working Group on Extractive

Industries (WGEI) of International Organizations of Supreme Audit

## Mission

We will develop high quality products in training and research to enrich environment audit through an inter-disciplinary approach enabled by valuable partnerships

Values

• Professional excellence

• Learning organisation

• Collaborative Approach

• Concern for environment

Objectivity

(INTOSAI), since 2011 March and August 2016

Institutions

respectively. iCED is premiere

training programmes on Environment institution conducting

> Audit under Indian **Technical** and

Economic

Cooperation Programme

sponsored

Ministry of External Affairs, Government

# Strategic objectives

- Be a knowledge centre that fosters learning and builds capacity for audit of relating issues environment and sustainable development
- Promote mainstreaming of environmental concerns government among agencies and public auditors
- Undertake research that informs the audit processes as well as structures governance related to these issues
- Be an information hub on environment, sustainable development and audit related issues
- Build partnerships with SAIs and other organisations working in this area for knowledge and experience sharing
- Develop modern, efficient, effective and institution adaptable adopting management practices

of India. iCED embarked on its capacity building efforts in October, 2013. iCED has been set up near the historical city of Jaipur in India, located around 230 kilometers from Delhi, the

capital of India. This facility seeks to harness India's expertise in conducting more than 100 environment audits in last 20 years to provide extensive training and to act as a forum for experience sharing and research for the auditors and government program managers.

iCED has state-of-the-art infrastructure with excellent residential facilities and Wi-fi enabled campus. Our sports complex has Swimming Pool, Gymnasium, Table Tennis, Lawn Tennis, Badminton, Billiards, Sqaush, Chess, Carrom etc.

#### **CAMPUS**

#### **Academic Block:**



Training Hall - "Saraswati"



Training Hall - "Aravali"



iCED Auditorium (175 Persons)



iCED Lounge

#### **Residential Facilities:**



58 Participant + 20 Faculty Rooms



Dining Hall



Swimming Pool



Gymnasium

#### **GREEN FEATURES**

# I. Green Features in Design and Construction

The norms prescribed in Energy Conservation Building Code 2006 of India have been applied for energy efficient design and construction of the building. Some of these features are:

- Use of locally available building material to minimize the environmental impact.
- Use of fly ash in concrete and bricks.
- Double glazed windows & doors with solar reflecting films, insulated Walls and Dry cladding of stones to reduce heat transmission.
- Energy efficiency features include orientation optimization, overhang sizing, skylights, energy efficient lighting fixtures etc.
- Use of solar water heating system.

#### II. Green features in Operations of iCED

- A Solar Farm (50 KVA) to demonstrate the use of clean energy.
- Rain water harvesting system secures maximum benefit from each raindrop falling in the campus.
- Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) of 40
  Cu. M. per day for waste water
  treatment and reuse. Grey water is
  treated within campus and used for
  garden.
- Organic waste (garden, kitchen / food) is composted within the campus. The plastic material is discouraged and use of paper is kept at minimum.
- A Rare Trees Park has eight tree species which have become rare in the region. Besides 20 herbs/trees having medicinal properties are also planted.
- Thermal cooling / heating through EARTH AIR TUNNEL to demonstrate technology that uses earth as a heat sink for cooling in summer and as a heat source during winters.

# Capacity Development

#### **International Trainings**

iCED has conducted 8 International Training Programmes since 2013 on Environment Audits. Two training have also been conducted under ITEC programme of Government of India.

Under prevailing circumstances due to Covid-19, the eighth ITP was conducted online through virtual platform.

The International Training Programmes (ITPs) have modules developed by SAIs of different countries and the course developers from different SAIs deliver these modules at iCED. This unique model offers participants different perspectives of how environment systems are managed and audited across the world.

Presently SAI India has MoUs / twinning arrangements with 17 SAIs, under which regular Bilateral Training Programmes (BTPs) for specific audits have been held. So far iCED has conducted 8 such international programmes.

Year	Number of	Number of
	Participants	countries
2013	25	13
2014	45	14
2015	90	12
2016	112	28
2017	117	35
2018	29	14
2019	71	26
2020	150	80

#### Seminars

The 6th Seminar on Environmental Auditing and 5th Meeting of ASOSAI Working Group on Environment Audit (WGEA) was held at iCED, India from 17th to 19th October 2016 with participation of 48 delegates from 21 Supreme Audit Institutions and international organizations.

#### **International Workshops**

Two Audit Planning Meetings to review the audit plans for the cooperative performance audit on preparedness for implementation of SDGs were held at iCED in December 2017. 27 SAIs from ASOSAI, AFROSAI-E, CAROSAI and EUROSAI participated. International Workshops on Audit of Water Issues, Audit of Waste Management, Sustainable Development: The Concept and Audit and Climate change were held in February 2018, February 2019, February, 2020 and September, 2020 respectively. International Webinar on Climate change and its implications for Sustainable Development was held in September 2020.

#### **National Trainings**

Training programs for auditors from SAI India also been conducted on various Environmental themes. These courses have delivered academics. been bν public environment managers, grass roots organizations, etc., and have received wide appreciation. As of March 2020, iCED has trained around 3150 personnel from SAI India in audit of environment and related issues.

#### **National Workshops**

National Workshop on various themes such as Audit of SDGs, Groundwater Management, Ganga Rejuvenation, etc. have been organized. In January 2019, a National Workshop on Natural Resource Accounting (NRA) and In November, 2020, a National Workshop on Biodiversity was also held at iCED.

iCED conducts three International Trainings / Workshops regularly and also as per requests received from other countries as well as international organizations.

#### iCED in Research

SAI India is actively participating and contributing towards research projects of INTOSAI WGEA under various Work plans as shown below:

INTOSAI WG	EA Work Plan Res	search Papers/Training Tools
2014-16	•	Greening the SAIs (leader) Environmental Assessments (co-leader with SAI, Canada)
2017-19	•	Development of Training Tool on Environmental Data
2020-2022	(in progress)  •	Work package 2: SDG 12 - responsible consumption and production - focus on plastic waste (leader) Work package 4: SDG 11 - sustainable cities and communities - focus on transport (member) Work package 5: Increasing understanding on environmental SDGs (co-leader) Work package 6: Experience sharing and capacity building (co-leader)

- SAI India also participated in following projects:
  - Development of training module on Greening SAIs
  - ASOSAI WGEA Research Project on Application of Big Data Analytics in Environmental Auditing
- For sourcing academic/technical expertise to augment the extant research capabilities of iCED,
  - Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with The Energy and Resources Institute
     (TERI) and Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kanpur. TERI being an institute of
     international repute specializes in the fields of energy, environment and sustainable
     development.
  - An internship scheme and Young Professional scheme has been implemented for students and academicians. Research Interns and Young Professionals have worked in following areas:

- A case study of the impact of marine nature- based tourism in Goa
- Enhancing evaluation in Audits by integrating it with Regulatory Impact
   Assessment
- Applications of Geographical Information Science & Remote Sensing in Environmental Auditing & Planning
- The Assessment of Plastic Waste in Jaipur City, An Overview of the Role of Municipal Corporation in Plastic Waste Management
- Preparation of strategy for audit of Urban Planning and for integrated audit of Environment of Management of cities.
- Research report on E-waste Management in Jaipur City
- A case study on understanding the value addition of Non Timber Forest
   Products using System Dynamics in Telangana, India
- Plastic waste management with a focus on role of circular economy and other management techniques: A Review
- Air Pollution in Delhi: Main focus on Vehicular Pollution
- Disaster preparedness in Andaman and Nicobar Islands
- Articles contributed by iCED officers for ASOSAI Journal and other International Newsletters.
  - Capacity Building In Environment Audit
  - Greening Supreme Audit Institutions for Greenlines
  - 'Training for Environment Audit' for Journal of Government Audit and Accounts
  - 'Role of SAIs in implementation of Sustainable Development Goals'
  - Role of SAIs in detection of fraud and corruption
  - Background Paper for Commonwealth Auditor Generals Newsletter:
     Environment Audit a commonwealth perspective "Fostering Partnerships for Capacity Development in Public Audit"
  - BRICS country paper Policy Auditing Tool to promote Sustainable Development
     Experience from SAI India
  - Commonwealth Auditor Generals E-Newsletter Capacity building:
     International Centre for Environmental Audit and Sustainable Development



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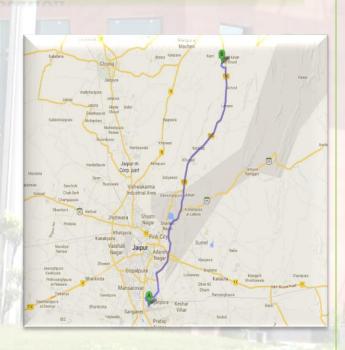
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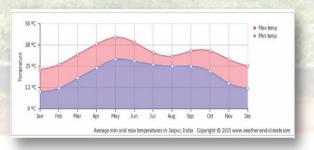
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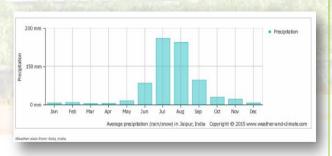
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## iCED: Location









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Rainfall Trend - Jaipur