



## Report on Orientation Workshop by Regional Coordinating Institute (RCI) Indian Institute of Technology (IIT Kharagpur) Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA 2.0) for Participating Institutes

**Agenda:** Discussion about the scopes of our improvement for achieving the target of Rural Development.

**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2020; **Time:** 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM; **Venue:** Gargi Hall, IIT Kharagpur

### Dignitaries participated in the program:

- ❖ Prof. P.K. Das (*Dean, PGS & R, IIT Kharagpur*)
- ❖ Prof. B.N. Singh (*Registrar, IIT Kharagpur*)
- ❖ Prof. Suman Chakraborty (*Dean, SRIC, IIT Kharagpur*)
- ❖ Prof. Soumen Das (*Head ATDC, IIT Kharagpur*)
- ❖ Prof. P.B.S. Bhadoria (IIT Kharagpur)
- ❖ Prof. Aditya Bandopadhyay (IIT Kharagpur)
- ❖ Prof. Vivek Kumar (Co-PI UBA, IIT Delhi)
- ❖ Sh. Ankit Kumar Mahakur (Assistant Director - Planning, DPMU, Nuapada, Odisha)

### Members who attended the program from different Institutes of West Bengal:

- ❖ 10 Aspirational District Fellows represented their Districts respectively.
- ❖ 2 participants from NIT Durgapur and 1 from NIT Jamshedpur.
- ❖ 164 participants from different PIs of West

- Bengal.
- ❖ Staff members under the Project.

### Minutes of the Meeting:

- ❖ Prof. P.B.S. Bhadoria and Prof. Aditya Bandopadhyay (Regional Coordinator and Co-Coordinator of UBA) gave a hearty welcome to all the representatives and briefed the framework of UBA 2.0 and the importance of PIs for achieving the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan's goal.
- ❖ Prof. P.K. Das, B.N. Singh, Suman Chakraborty and Soumen Das presented their views on UBA.



*Some pictures from the Inaugural session*

- ❖ Prof. Vivek Kumar (Co-PI, UBA, IIT Delhi) displayed a presentation on Unnat Bharat Abhiyan. He discussed about the Funding possibilities and said that we

have to identify the suitable Scheme according to our proposal to get the Fund and he also said that there are various source from where we can get the fund such as:

- ❑ UBA Funds like Fund for Awareness, survey visits, etc. In the other hand for technology development we will get ₹ 1.0 Lakh per technology and for customization the amount will be ₹ 50,000 per solution and there will be Appreciation Incentive as well for good work which will motivate us to work hard.
- ❑ Institution Support is also a vital source of fund for example “Water treatment system” is supported by NIT Manipur.
- ❑ We can get help from the Alumni Association.
- ❑ Society participation like NGOs/ Social workers can adopt the activity.
- ❑ We can get CSR Support as well.

He described the Role of Subject Expert Groups (SEGs).

- ❑ He said that SEGs have the responsibilities of developing the necessary resource material for the benefit of all the UBA cluster teams and he also mentioned that there are specific groups of experts (SEG) for different types of subjects. For example, IIT Kharagpur is the SEG for Water Resource Management.
- ❑ There is a SEG portal as well where we can report our difficulties and the experts will help us with the resolution along with that we can submit proposals for new projects as well on the portal.

He later explained the benefits of the newly launched survey application. He added that instead of filling the survey details on paper now we can directly fill the information in the application which is connected to the website and this will make our work easier.

He also informed us about the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD & PR) that they have been entrusted for evaluation of the scheme and they will visit our state to evaluate our tasks.

He suggested that we should visit villages to understand their problems and to attend the Gram Sabha at villages which happens on 26<sup>th</sup> January, 1<sup>st</sup> May, 15<sup>th</sup> August and 2<sup>nd</sup> October to visualize the footprints of UBA Institutions.



*Some pictures clicked while Prof. Vivek was explaining the above mentioned terms.*

- ❖ The Question & Answer session opened.
  - ❑ Faculty members from Participating Institutes discussed their difficulties with Prof. Vivek and Prof. Bhadoria and they have answered all the queries very effectively.
  - ❑ The most common issue was that they have submitted proposal but there was no response in regards that hence Prof. Vivek agreed that he will look into their matter.
  - ❑ Prof. P.B.S. Bhadoria added that we should conduct orientation workshops every three to four months to encourage more institutions to join UBA.



*Interactive session of PIs and Coordinators*

**We wish similar interactive contributions from PIs of West Bengal in future.**

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