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Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister, laying the Foundation Stone of NIELIT Centre, Ranchi. Also seen in the picture are Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C) for Power & Coal and New & Renewable Energy, Shri Arjun Munda, former Chief Minister of Jharkhand, Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble Minister of Communication & IT and Law & Justice, Dr. Syed Ahmed, Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand, Shri Hemant Soren, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Jharkhand and other dignitaries

#### FROM THE DESK OF THE MANAGING DIRECTOR

Information Technology has changed the way we live and work. New innovations are being made to achieve efficiency and improve cost effectiveness. ' $\operatorname{IT}$ ' is the growth engine of New India.

In a historic event held on August 21, 2014 at the Prabhat Tara Ground, Dhurwa, Ranchi, the Foundation Stone of the NIELIT Ranchi Centre was laid by **Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India**. The new centre at Ranchi would further enhance the scope and reach of quality courses offered by NIELIT. The Government of Jharkhand has allotted 5 acres of land for setting up of the permanent campus of NIELIT Ranchi Centre, which will be built through an investment of about Rs. 65 Crores to be provided by Deity. A built-up space of about 8,000 sq. ft. has been also made available to NIELIT by the Government of Jharkhand at RIADA Bhawan, Ranchi where Skill Development and Capacity Building activities have been initiated.

The stupendous success of the NIELIT National Level Workshop last year which witnessed enthusiastic participation from NIELIT training partners, senior Government functionaries and experts from academia and the Industry has motivated us to schedule the NIELIT National Level Annual Workshop on October 13, 2014 at Auditorium, SCOPE Convention Centre, SCOPE Complex, 7, Lodi Road, New Delhi. Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble Minister for Communications and IT & Law and Justice has kindly consented to inaugurate the Workshop. The theme of the day long Workshop is 'Skilling India' – Scaling and Speeding operations through Public-Private Partnerships and the Workshop aims to explore possible avenues to facilitate the Skill Development and Capacity Building initiatives of the Government of India, besides awareness about NIELIT activities and capacity building in emerging technological areas.

I am confident that this year as well, NIELIT Training Partners would participate with greater eagerness and take advantage of this platform to understand the vision of the Government of India, which is focusing on empowerment, governance and infrastructure through the 'Digital India' programmes.

The previous quarter witnessed many new events and initiatives. A MoU was signed with the State Government of Karnataka for creation of synergy and sharing of best practices. NIELIT is also making efforts to identify 'skill-gaps' in the area of Electronic System Design and Manufacturing (ESDM), jointly with DeitY and State Governments, for the furtherance of ESDM ecosystem and thereby support the 'Make in India' initiative of the Government that aims to promote manufacturing on a sustainable basis.

This issue of the newsletter also highlights the significant achievements and activities of NIELIT from July to September 2014. I am sure the readers would find these articles informative and useful. I take this opportunity to request the readers to post their valuable feedback at newsletter@nielit.gov.in.

Happy reading and warm wishes for the festive season ahead!

# **NEWS AT A GLANCE**

# MASTER TRAINERS' TRAINING IN MULTIMEDIA AND ANIMATION



Master Trainers of NIELIT Centres at the training programme

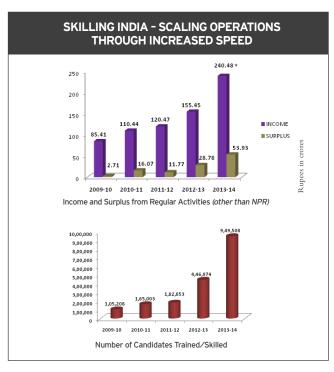
An intensive three days training programmes was organized at NIELIT Centre, Delhi in association with M/s Adobe during June 23–25, 2014. Eight Master Trainers from various NIELIT Centres have attended the training programme. The basic objective of the programme was to train the Master Trainers on nine Licensed Software of Adobe which would facilitate smooth implementation of the NIELIT Multimedia and Animation Technology (MAT-O) Level course. [KANCHAN RANI

#### **NIELIT AND DGE&T SIGNS MOU**



Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Gupta, Additional Director(IT), NIELIT exchanging MoU with Shri S.R.Toppo, Under Secretary to the Government of India, DGE&T.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on August 11, 2014 between the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) and the Directorate General of Employment & Training (DGE&T). The MoU has been signed for implementing a scheme to provide training to SC/ST jobseekers registered with Employment Exchanges in NIELIT 'O' Level (IT) and CHM-O Level through NIELIT Centres and Accredited Institutes. At present, 3000 jobseekers are being trained in 'O' Level (IT) in 21 locations and another 1800 jobseekers are being trained at CHM-O Level in 19 locations across the country. | DR. SANJEEV GUPTA



# MOBILE APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT USING ANDROID

A three days residential training programme on Mobile Application Development using Android was conducted for twenty five IT Cadre Officers of Department of IT, Govt. of NCT of Delhi during 1–3 August, 2014. The training was inaugurated by Sh. Ajay Chagti, Additional Secretary (IT), DIT, Govt. of NCT of Delhi. At the end of the programme, the participants were awarded commendation certificates by Ms. Rita Arora, Director–in–Charge, for successfully completing the training program. [SHEETAL CHOPRA



### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

NIELIT Kohima has produced the topper in the BCA Examination under Nagaland University for the second consecutive year. It is a matter of great pride to acknowledge the laurels brought to NIELIT Kohima by Ms. Imlibenla Longkumer, BCA student of NIELIT Kohima by achieving first position in Nagaland University. The BCA Course is conducted by NIELIT, Kohima Centre in association with the Nagaland University. The entire NIELIT take this opportunity to congratulate Ms. Longkumer | LANU WAPANG

#### EC THROUGH VC

was held on September 19, 2014 under the chairmanship of

Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma. Managing Director NIELIT. For the first time, the Executive Committee was held by connecting Aizawl with New Delhi through Video Conferencing, thus saving on time, efforts and costs. The Managing



New Delhi

Director and the Chief Finance Officer were available at Centre at Lunglei, upgradation of Aizawl Centre etc were New Delhi, while from Aizawl, Shri N. Debachandra Singh, discussed at the meeting. IN DEBACHANDRA SINGH

The Executive Committee Meeting of NIELIT Centre Aizawl Director In-Charge, Aizawl, Shri C. Vanlalnunga, Dy. Director. Aizawl, Shri C Lalhmachhuana, MD, ZENICS and Secretary



Aizawl

(IT) Government of Mizoram. Dr L.N. Tluangi, Director, Higher Technical Education and Shri Lalhmunsiama, GM, DIC, Aizawl (representing Director, Industries Dept) participated the meeting. Various issues such as progress made on allotment of land for Extension

### **IN OTHER NEWS**

#### **NEW NIELIT CENTRE AT GANGTOK, SIKKIM**



Shri Raiesh Verma. Principal Director-cum-Secretary, IT Dept., Sikkim, Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, Managing Director, NIELIT and Shri T.P.Singh, Director, NIELIT Kolkata in the meeting with Mrs. Ongmu, Chief Secretary, Sikkim

With a view to further expand its outreach, especially in the far-flung areas, a new Centre of NIELIT will be setup at Gangtok, Sikkim. Shri Rajesh Verma, Principal Director-cum-Secretary, IT Dept., Sikkim has mentioned that the full-fledged NIELIT Centre at Gangtok will spread over 9 acres of land allotted by the Government of Sikkim. With a view to provide a thrust to employability of youths in the state and also improve upon the quality of education and skilling efforts, it was recommended that the NIELIT O Level qualification for computer operator and NIELIT A Level qualification for Assistant Programmer, Programmer etc. may be included as one of the eligibility criteria for posts and services in the State Government. In this connection, Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD NIELIT met Smt. Richen Ongmu, Chief Secretary, Sikkim on September 15, 2014. Smt. Ongmu appreciated the efforts put in by NIELIT in setting up a new Centre at Gangtok which would largely benefit the state for preparing skilled human resource. Speaking at the meeting, Dr. Sharma informed that NIELIT is in the process of setting up of 20 centres in North-Eastern Region, out of which 15 centres are currently operational. He also highlighted that the syllabus of IT mass literacy course of NIELIT, CCC is available in 22 Indian Languages including Nepali and are downloadable free of cost from NIELIT website which will be an added advantage for the youth of Sikkim. NIELIT has already a fully operational Centre at Gangtok to provide training encompassing wide spectrum like cyber security, computer familiarization courses, management information system etc. in the state. | ANURAG GUPTA

### TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR HON'BLE MEMBERS OF RAJYA SABHA

NIELIT has developed an Online Digital Literacy course along with a Basic Computer Concept Course for Hon'ble Members of Rajya Sabha which would allow them to learn computers at their own pace and time. The basic objective of the course is to create awareness among the Hon'ble members about the initiatives by Government of India in ICT and to enable them to use various ICT tools for Office productivity. A meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on Provision of Computer equipment to Members of Rajya Sabha under the chairmanship of Dr. Karan Singh, Hon'ble Member of Rajya Sabha and ex-Governor, Jammu and Kashmir was held on July 22, 2014 at Parliament House, New Delhi.



Meeting of the Rajya Sabha Parliamentary Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Karan Singh, Hon'ble Member of Rajya Sabha in progress

Dr. Rajendra Kumar, IAS, Jt. Secretary, DeitY, Shri A.K. Arora, Scientist 'F', DeitY, Shri A.K. Pipal, Scientist 'E', DeitY, Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT, Dr. Mahesh Chandra, Dy. Director General, NIC and other senior officials of NIELIT and NIC were present at the meeting. A presentation was made to Dr. Karan Singh, Hon'ble Member of Rajya Sabha on the various initiatives taken by Government of India in e-Governance and other ICT activities, which can be useful for members of parliament in their parliamentary duties. Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT informed that the courses developed for the benefit of Hon'ble Members of Rajya Sabha will be made available shortly. The Committee expressed its satisfaction on the steps taken by NIELIT towards developing e-content and directed DeitY to provide adequate support to NIELIT so that capacity building in ICT is made available to members at the earliest. | SHAMEEM KHAN

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# **FINANCE & ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE**



Seen in the picture are Shri A.K. Arora, HoD(HRD), Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT, Shri J.B. Mohapatra, IRS, Joint Secretary and Financial Adviser, DeitY, Shri R.K. Goyal, IAS, Joint Secretary, DeitY, DeitY, Shri R.P. Pradhan, Dy. Secretary, DeitY and Shri Himanish Roy, CFO, NIELIT

The 29th Meeting of the Finance & Accounts Committee (F & A) of NIELIT was held on September 4, 2014 under the chairmanship of Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, Managing Director, NIELIT. Shri J.B.Mohapatra, IRS, Jt. Secretary & Financial Advisor, DeitY, Shri R. K. Goyal, IAS, Jt. Secretary, DeitY, Shri A.K.Arora, Scientist 'F', DeitY, Shri R.P. Pradhan, Dy. Secretary, DeitY, Ms. C. K. Bajaj, Director(Finance), DeitY, and Dr. Samsher, Director, NIELIT Gorakhpur, Ms.Rita Arora, Director, NIELIT New Delhi, besides other senior officials of NIELIT also attended the meeting. Looking to the emphasis of Government in using technology to save on time and money, two Directors of NIELIT Centres Agartala and Guwahati, namely, Shri Anurag Mathur and Shri K. Baruah also participated through video conferencing. The committee considered the Audited Statement of Accounts of NIELIT and appreciated the fact, that due to the efforts made by NIELIT, there has been a significant growth in revenue and surplus. Revenue of NIELIT during 2013-14 from regular activities (other than NPR Project) is Rs. 296.64 Crores as against Rs. 161.64 Crores for the year (2012-13), thus registering an increase of over 52.58%. | HIIMANISH ROY

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राष्ट्रीय इलेक्ट्रॉनीकी एवं सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी संस्थान (मुख्यालय) द्वारा दिनांक 12 सितंबर, 2014 को हिन्दी दिवस, 2014 हर्षोल्लास से मनाया गया। इस कार्यक्रम में श्री संजीव कुमार गुप्ता, अपर निदेशक (तकनीकी) रा.ई.सू.प्रौ.सं., श्री जगदीश गोकलानी, संयुक्त निदेशक (हिन्दी), इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग (भारत सरकार), नई दिल्ली, श्री भगवान सिंह नेगी, हिन्दी अधिकारी रा.ई. सू.प्रौ.सं., अन्य अधिकारी एवं कर्मचारी सिम्मिलित हुए। इस कार्यक्रम में श्री संजीव कुमार गुप्ता, अपर निदेशक (तकनीकी) रा.ई.सू.प्रौ.सं., अध्यक्ष व मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में आमंत्रित थे। कार्यक्रम का प्रारंभ अध्यक्ष / मुख्य अतिथि के संबोधन के साथ हआ। जिसमें, उन्होनें हिन्दी की स्थिति व व्यक्ति विशेष की भूमिका पर अपने विचार व्यक्त किए। इसी क्रम में श्री जगदीश गोकलानी, संयुक्त निदेशक

(हिन्दी), इलेक्ट्रॉनिकी और सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी विभाग (भारत सरकार), नई दिल्ली द्वारा राजभाषा हिन्दी संबंधी नियमों व विनियमों में विशिष्ट रूप से प्रकाश डाला गया।

हिन्दी दिवस के पावन अवसर पर विभिन्न प्रतियोगिताओं जिसमें कविता पाठ व मेरे देश का भविष्य विषय पर अभिव्यक्ति प्रतियोजिगता के साथ—साथ हिन्दी भाषा की वस्तुस्थिति व सुधारात्मक उपाय विषय अंतर्गत एक कार्यशाला का आयोजन किया गया था। इन प्रतियोगताओं में कार्यालय के अधिकारियों एवं कर्मचारियों ने भाग लिया। कार्यक्रम के समापन की घोषणा से पूर्व अध्यक्ष / मुख्य अतिथि महोदय ने कहा कि 'सभी को राजभाषा हिन्दी में अधिकाधिक कार्य करना चाहिए जो हमारा मूल कर्त्तव्य व राष्ट्र की पहचान भी है।' तत्पश्चात उन्होंने सभी को पुनः हिन्दी दिवस की शुभकामनाएं देते हुए सभी से हिन्दी में कार्य करने की अपील करते हुए हिन्दी दिवस, 2014 कार्यक्रम के समापन की घोषणा की। IBSNEGI

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# नाइलिट गोरखपुर केन्द्र में शिक्षक दिवस समारोह

शिक्षक दिवस के पावन अवसर पर रा.ई.सू.प्रौ.सं., गोरखपुर में सुबह शिक्षक दिवस मनाने के बाद भिन्न—भिन्न प्रकार के खेलों जैसे क्रिकेट, वॉलीबाल, चेस, कैरम, लुडो, रस्साकशी, शतरंज, पंजा लड़ाना आदि का आयोजन स्पोर्ट्स एसोसिएशन ऑफ रा.ई.सू.प्रौ.सं., गोरखपुर द्वारा किया गया और बच्चों को खेलों के लिए प्रोत्साहित किया गया, जिसमें बच्चों के साथ—साथ संस्थान के कार्यकर्ताओं ने स्वयं भी भाग लिया और बच्चों को खेलों के नियम बताये। संस्थान में आयोजित खेलों को लेकर छात्र—छात्राओं और शिक्षकों का उत्साह देखते बन रहा था। अंत में विजेताओं को पुरस्कृत किया गया। इस आयोजन को सफल बनाने का श्रेय संस्थान के सभी संस्थान के सभी शिक्षकों तथा यहां के समस्त छात्र—छात्राओं को जाता है। IDR. SAMSHER

### **NEWS FROM BANGALORE**

#### **MOU WITH KARNATAKA GOVERNMENT**



Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT and Ms.Tanusree Deb Barma, IAS, Director, ITBT, Department of IT, BT and S&T after signing the MoU. Also seen in the picture are Shri S.R.Patil, Hon'ble Minister of IT, BT and S&T and Planning & Statistics, Karnataka and Shri R. Chandrasekharan, Chairman, NASSCOM, Shri Srivatsa Krishna, IAS, Secretary (IT), Karnataka and Shri Suresh Venkatrayalu, President, HTS, Global & GM HTS India.

NIELIT signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with IT Skills Development Society, Department of IT, Bio Technology (BT) and Science & Technology (S&T), Government of Karnataka on August 12, 2014 for enabling smooth and successful implementation of the scheme in Karnataka. The MoU was signed by Dr. Ashiwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT and Ms. Tanusree Deb Barma, IAS, Director, ITBT, Department of IT, BT and S&T in the august presence of Shri S.R. Patil, Hon'ble Minister of IT, BT and S&T and Planning & Statistics, Karnataka, Shri R. Chandrasekharan, Chairman, NASSCOM and Shri Srivatsa Krishna, IAS, Secretary (IT), Government of Karnataka. The MoU would create synergy and sharing of best practices.

IT Skills Development Society has been mandated to take up Skill Development activities for training un-employed and underemployed youth in basic ICT domains. The IT Skills Development Society is also the implementing agency for the roll out the ESDM Scheme on Skill Development, formulated by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY), Government of India. NIELIT is a key player in the implementation of this scheme and has been appointed as the Programme Management Unit (PMU) by DeitY and Karnataka is one of the six states for implementation of the scheme. The expertise available with NIELIT through its own units and the network of accredited units in the state will be utilized in conduction of training and assessment, evaluation and certification. NIELIT and the Government of Karnataka will also take up projects jointly in the field of Skill Development and Capacity Building in Electronics & IT in the state. The MoU is expected to pave the way for better understanding of industry requirements and standardized training as per their needs, certification ensuring quality assurance of trainers, training and trainees, transparent and secured evaluation through NIELIT. | VANITA YADAV

#### **ESDM WORKSHOP AT BENGALURU**

NIELIT, in association with Dept. of Electronics and IT (DeitY) and Dept. of IT, Bio-Technology and Science & Technology (BT and S&T) had organized a Workshop for "Skill Gap Identification & Curriculum Finalization in ESDM Sector" on August 2, 2014 at Bengaluru, Karnataka. The workshop was attended by representatives of major industries in the ESDM sector at Karnataka, besides other senior officials from State Government of Karnataka and NIELIT. Representatives from State implementing Agencies of Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and UP where the ESDM scheme is being implemented besides the representatives of ESSCI, TSSC, Industry houses in Bengaluru and academia also participated at the event. Representatives of 73 companies which are associated with Electronics, Telcom, LED and Solar-PV sub-sectors deliberated issues pertaining to the growth of the ESDM eco system and skilling of youth in the sector with emphasis on employability. Speaking at the occasion, Dr. Ajay Kumar, IAS, JS, DeitY stated that NIELIT, ESSCI and TSSC have been entrusted with the responsibility for providing quality training under ESDM scheme so that after completion of the training, the candidates are ready for immediate absorption in the industry. Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT apprised the audience of the vast network of NIELIT Centres and the grid of affiliated training partners across the country. He also shared that NIELIT Centres have close links with the industry and are capable of bringing absolute synergy with industry to design courses under ESDM scheme. The workshop proved to be an interactive platform to obtain the valuable inputs of the industry representatives for taking forward the implementation of the ESDM Scheme, in an inclusive manner. The workshop aimed to provide a curtain raiser for implementing the scheme on Skill Development in ESDM Sector, under which 7 States are being provided with financial assistance to train 90,000 youths in the area of ESDM. | VANITA YADAV



Dr. Ajay Kumar, IAS, Joint Secy., DeitY lighting the inaugural lamp at the Workshop for "Skill Gap identification" and curriculum finalization in ESDM sector". Also seen in the picture (from left to right ) are Dr. A Maulishree, CEO, IT Skills Development Society, Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT, Ms. Tanusree Deb Barma, IAS, Director ITBT, Dept. of IT, BT and S&T, Shri D.P.Nair, Dy.Director, TSSC and Shri Pradeep Doshi, Sr. Vice President, ESSCI.



DR. AJAY KUMAR CHAIRS REVIEW MEETING ON ESDM: A meeting under the chairmanship Dr. Ajay Kumar, IAS, Jt. Secretary, DeitY was held at Board Room, Hotel Lalit Ashok, Bengaluru on August 2, 2014 where the status pertaining to the implementation of the ESDM Scheme was discussed with the stakeholders, including representatives of the State Implementing Agencies, ESSCI, TSSC, and NIELIT. Dr. Ajay Kumar highlighting the significance of the scheme urged all stakeholders to put in efforts and ensure that the scheme is to be rolled-out in a timely manner. He further suggested that

a Central Monitoring Committee (CMC) may be constituted under the Chairmanship of Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT with members drawn from all the State Implementing Agencies, and representatives from ESSCI & TSSC to monitor the progress of the scheme at regular intervals. It was also suggested that a State level Steering Committee may be constituted under the chairmanship of Secretary (IT) of the respective State to resolve implementation issues related to the State. The meeting proved to an important platform for all stakeholders to discuss and deliberate the road ahead for implementation of the Scheme on Financial Assistance to States for Skill Development in the ESDM. The meeting concluded with a congratulatory note from Dr. Ajay Kumar for organizing a successful ESDM workshop at Bengaluru, Karnataka.

### NEW NIELIT CENTRE AT RANCHI - FOUNDATION STONE LAID BY HON'BLE PRIME MINISTER



Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT overseeing the preparation on dais ahead of Hon'ble Prime Minister's arrival at the inauguration ceremony. Also seen in the picture are Shri Pivush Goval, Hon'hle Minister of Coal & Power and Shri TP Singh, Director, NIELIT Kolkata

In a historic event held on August 21, 2014 at Ranchi, Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India laid the foundation stone of the NIELIT Ranchi Campus, in the august presence of Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble Minister of Communications & IT and Law & Justice, Dr. Syed Ahmed, Hon'ble Governor of Jharkhand, Shri Hemant Soren, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Jharkhand, Shri Piyush Goyal, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/c) for Power & Coal and New & Renewable Energy and Shri Arjun Munda, former Chief Minister of Jharkhand, besides other dignitaries. The planned state-of-the art campus at Ranchi will spread over 5 acres of land allotted by the Government of Jharkhand. Speaking at the occasion, Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble Minister of Communications & IT and Law & Justice, conveyed his gratitude to the Government

of Jharkhand for providing land for a new NIELIT Centre at Ranchi and also expressed hope that capacity building in IECT area of approximately 4000 candidates of the state can be achieved through NIELIT in next five years. In order to initiate the skill development and capacity building activities immediately, NIELIT Centre Ranchi is currently operating from a ready built 8000 sq. feet area at RIADA building, Ranchi. This centre at RIADA Bhawan was also inaugurated by Shri. N.N. Sinha, Principal Secretary (IT), Government of Jharkhand on August 21, 2014 in the august presence of Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT and other senior officials of NIELIT. With the inauguration of Ranchi Centre, NIELIT now have own training centre in 31 cities of India. | DR. ARUP CHATTOPADHYAY



Seen in the picture are Sh. Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C), Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Sh. Rajiv Nayan Choubey, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Power, Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT, Sh. B.C. Tripathi, CMD, GAIL and Collector Ranchi.

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### **NATIONAL LEVEL NIELIT WORKSHOP 2014**

NIELIT has been conducting a National Workshop on annual basis, which is attended by about 400-500 participants all over India, consisting of representatives from NIELIT Accredited Institutes (training partners), besides senior Government functionaries and Experts from academia and the Industry. Over these years, NIELIT has established itself as a premier organization having PAN-India presence through a network of own Centres in 31 major cities in the country, besides a network of about 800+ accredited training institutions, and a network of about 5000 facilitation centres engaged in the proliferation and training of NIELIT's immensely popular IT Literacy Programmes, namely, Course on Computer Concepts (CCC) and Basic Computer Course (BCC). The National Level NIELIT Workshop 2014 has been scheduled on October 13, 2014 at Auditorium, SCOPE Convention Centre, SCOPE Complex, 7 Lodi Road, New Delhi -110 003 (adjacent to Electronics Niketan, where the NIELIT Hq is located). The theme of the day long Workshop is 'Skilling India' - Scaling and Speeding operations through Public-Private Partnerships and the Workshop aims to explore possible avenues to facilitate the Skill Development and Capacity Building initiatives of the Government of India, besides awareness about NIELIT activities and capacity building in emerging technological areas. Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad, Hon'ble Minister for Communications and IT & Law and Justice has kindly consented to inaugurate the Workshop. The Workshop shall also be attended by senior Government officials from the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY) and other Ministries. IMS NANDI

# NOTEWORTHY EVENTS

#### e-GOVERNANCE IN PUNE



Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, Managing Director, NIELIT delivering keynote address to the participants. Also seen in the picture are Shri Ajay Chagti, Addl. Secretary, (IT), Government of NCT Delhi and Shri Prakash Kumar, National Technology

A knowledge exchange program for senior level officers from various departments of Govt. of NCT of Delhi was organised from 15th -19th August 2014 at Hotel Royal Orchid Central, Pune. The topic was "Knowledge Exchange in SMART Governance". The training program was attended by 34 senior officers from various departments of Govt. of NCT of Delhi. An inaugural session was organised which was presided over by Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT. Beside Dr. Shrama, other speakers at the event were Sh. Prakash Kumar, National Technology Officer, Microsoft India and Sh. Ajay Chagti, Additional Secretary (IT), Govt. of NCT of Delhi. | PARTHO ADHIKARI

# **EXPERT COMMITTEE ON ESDM**

A meeting of the Expert Committee for the 'Scheme for Financial Assistance to Select States/UTs for Skill Development Program in ESDM Sector' was held on September 3, 2014 at Electronics

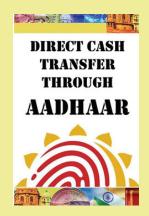
Niketan, New Delhi under the chairmanship of Dr. Ajay Kumar, IAS, Joint Secretary, DeitY. Dr. Jaijit Bhattacharya, President of Centre for Digital Economy Policy Research (C-DEP) co-chaired the meeting. Other Members of the Committee comprised of Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT, Shri N.K. Mohapatra, CEO, ESSCI, representative from TSSC, and representatives from States Implementing Agencies, besides senior officials from academia and the industry. The meeting aimed to select courses which are employment oriented and in-line with the requirement of Industry. A presentation was also made by NIELIT-PMU about the scheme and the progress made so far. The members were appraised that NIELIT had created a basket of 69 industry oriented courses to address the skill development needs of the ESDM sector. Out of the list of 69 courses, 14 courses were proposed at L1-L2 level, 22 courses at L3 level, 19 courses at L4 level and 14 courses at L5 level. ESSCI and TSSC also shared a list of 22 and 14 courses respectively. The Committee considered the list of courses proposed by the three key implementing agencies i.e. NIELIT, ESSCI, and TSSC and further recommended that these courses need to be rationalized within broad parameters in line with the scheme. | VANITA YADAV

Meeting of Expert Committee under chairmanship of Dr.Ajay Kumar, IAS, Jt. Secretary, DeitY in progress



**CAPACITY BUILDING IN GIS** Combination of readily available Internet access and special information through Geographical Information System (GIS) is increasingly becoming important in decision making as it is transforming the way we plan and make policy decisions. For Capacity Building in the area of GIS, NIELIT has designed courses that are proposed to be launched initially at NIELIT Centres located at Jammu, Gorakhpur, Kolkata, Calicut, Aurangabad, Imphal and New Delhi. The courses in GIS shall be useful for officials of various Government Ministries/ Departments as it can help them in administration, planning and improve the effectiveness of public services. NIELIT has submitted a proposal to DeitY for funding with regard to implementation of GIS courses. IRITA ARORA

#### **DIRECT TRANSFER OF FUNDS THROUGH DBT SCHEME**



NIELIT has started DBT (Direct Beneficiary Transfer) Scheme for providing Scholarship to Candidates through APB (Aadhaar Payment Bridge) of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI). In phase I, Scholarship amount has been transferred to 07 candidates under DBT scheme. All such payments are being made through National Payment Council of India (NPCI) and Bank of India being sponsored bank for NIELIT. Instructions have been given to candidates on NIELIT website for linking of their Aadhaar Number with their Bank Accounts. Also, an interface has been provided on NIELIT Website to capture the Bank Account Details and Aadhaar Number of candidates. In phase II, actions have been initiated for acquiring Aadhaar Authentication User Agency (AUA) and KYC User Agency (KYC) of UIDAI through CSC e-Gov to integrate NIELIT Online services with Online Services of UIDAI. These services would enable us in authenticating and verifying the candidates through their Aadhaar Number and also to authenticate the candidates at the time of Examination. ISHAMEEM KHAN

#### **CSC WORKSHOPS**

### **CSC AWARENESS WORKSHOP**



Seen in the picture are (from left to right) Shri Manoj Mishra, SeMT, CSC SPV, Sh. R S Tariang, Project Manager, CT, MITS, Sh E. B. Kharmujai, ACE(EZ), MePDCL, Sh K. J. V. Nagaraja, AGM, SBI, Sh. Manab Kalita, Director in—Charge, NIELIT Shillong, Sh D. L. Wankhar, Director(HRD&E). NEC. Dr S. Choudhary. Director(Admn). NEC

A half day awareness workshop for CSCVLE Operators was conducted at NIELIT Shillong on June 27, 2014 where 47 VLE Operators from different parts of the state participated. The Workshop was graced by the presence of prominent academicians and industry representatives of the state including Shri M Shangpliang, ACE, MePDCL, Shri Manoj Kr. Mishra, Consultant, IT Dept Meghalaya, Dr S Choudhary, Director(S&I), NEC, Shri D L Wankhar, Director(HRD&E), NEC, Shri E B Kharmujai, ACE(EZ), MePDCL, Shri R S Tariang, Project Manager, CT, MITS, Shri K J V Nagaraja, AGM, SBI, Shri S. Ghosh, Chief Manager, SBI, Shri K N War, Director(HRDC), MeECL among others.

The workshop participants were apprised about the new services by CSC-, role of CSCs in delivering NIELIT courses, role of CSC champs in facilitating an ecosystem of enterprising VLE Community, services available on Apna Portal Wallet Creation, OMT registration & installation, and other important processes etc. Lectures were also delivered on financial inclusion (banking, insurance and pension), electricity bill collection services, election services, healthcare and passport/pan card. IMANAB KALITA

# CSC WORKSHOPS AT NIELIT GORAKHPUR, PATNA AND LUCKNOW

Workshops on 'NIELIT Services for Rural Citizens through CSC' for Village level Entrepreneurs in the state were organized at NIELIT Gorakhpur, Lucknow and Patna. The workshop aimed to create awareness about NIELIT Services with a view to enhance the reach of digital literacy in the country. [DR. SAMSHER]



Seen in the picture are (from left to right) Sh. Neeraj Chandra, Sahaj State head, U.P., Shri Subodh Mishra, Regional co-odinator, CSC e-gov., U.P., Sh. Bhagwan Patil, COO CSC e-gov., U.P., Dr Samsher, Director NIELIT, Gorakhpur and Shri Abhinav Mishra, Sc.-'C' during the workshop at NIELIT Gorakhpur



Shri Alok Tripathi, Centre Incharge, NIELIT Patna, inaugurating the CSC VLE Workshop in the presence of Mr. Aftab, Sr. Consultant CSC, and Shri Rupam, Consultant CSC

# **CSC-VLE AWARENESS WORKSHOP AT NIELIT KOLKATA**



Shri Abhinav Chandra, IAS, CEO, WBSRLM inaugurating the Workshop. Also sitting on the dais are Shri Th. Prameshwor Singh, Director, NIELIT Kolkata and Shri Paritosh Roy, WBCS (Exe), Joint Secretary, P&RD Dept, Govt. of West Bengal, & Jt. CEO, WBSRDA, Smt. Sonali Datta (Ray), WBCS(Exe), OSD & Dy. Secretary & Dy. CEO, WBSRDA and Shri Nepal Sen, Vice President (G2C Services), Sahai e-Village Limited

A half-day workshop for CSC-VLE awareness was held at NIELIT Kolkata on July 8, 2014. The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Abhinav Chandra, IAS, CEO, West Bengal State Rural Livelihood Mission (WBSRLM) as Chief Guest. Shri Paritosh Roy, WBCS (Exe), Jt. Secretary, Panchayat and Rural Development Department, Smt. Sonali Datta (Ray), OSD & Deputy Secretary & Deputy CEO, WBSRDA, Shri Nepal Sen, Vice President (G2C Services), Sahaj e-Village Limited and Shri Th. Prameshwor Singh, Director, NIELIT Kolkata attended the event as Guest of Honour. Shri T. P. Singh, Director, NIELIT Kolkata welcomed the participants and discussed the role of NIELIT and relevance of various courses/curriculum offered by NIELIT to rural mass. Speaking at the occasion, Shri Paritosh Roy explained the role of VLEs in bringing radical changes to the life of rural people by enabling them digitally literate. Smt. Sonali Datta Ray explained the efforts undertaken by the State Government in terms of providing BSNL broadband connectivity which the SCA and LEs may avail for better connectivity among the rural masses. Shri Nepal Sen discussed the role of SCAs to bridge the knowledge gap of urban and rural. Shri Abhinav Chandra, IAS, CEO, WBSRLM highlighted the issue regarding penetration of internet which is still a point of concern compared to mobile. Shri A. K Chandra, Scientist-E, NIELIT Kolkata proposed the vote of thanks. IRASHMI VIJAYVERGIYA

#### CYBER SECURITY WORKSHOP



Seen in the picture are Shri. Viccashe Sumi, IPS, IGP (Crime), PHQ and Smti. Lithrongla G Chishi, IAS, Secretary, Home and Addl. Dir(Admin), ATI, Kohima and senior officials of NIELIT Kohima with the participants of the Workshop.

NIELIT Centre Kohima, in collaboration with Administrative Training Institute, Kohima and the Dept. of Communications & IT, Government of Nagaland organized Cyber Security Awareness Workshop during June 18-19, 2014 for the officials of Government Departments in the State. The inaugural function was graced by Shri. Viccashe Sumi, IPS, IGP (Crime), PHQ, and Smt. Lithrongla G Chishi, IAS, Secretary, Home, Kohima as Chief Guest and Guest of Honor. The workshop witnessed a commendable turn-out of the targeted group of IT Nodal Officers and middle level officers from different State Government Departments. Senior officials of NIELIT Kohima, namely Shri L. Lanuwabang, Scientist-'C', Shri. Morimenba, Scientist-'B', Shri. Darmoni Laishram, Project Associate and Shri Bendangakum Jamir, Project Associate delivered lectures on topics such as Introduction to Cyber Security, Cyber Crime & IT Act, Internet Security & Mobile Security, E-mail & Social Networking Security, Desktop Security etc. | LANU WAPANG

### HIGHLIGHTS

#### **BIO-INFORMATICS FOR COLLEGE TEACHERS**



Prof. (Dr.) Probodh Borah, College of Veterinary Science, Assam Agricultural University Guwahati, Shri K. Baruah, Director NIELIT Guwahati, Shri Rintu Das, Scientist-B, NIELIT Guwahati, Shri Saurov Mahanta, STA, NIELIT Guwahati and Shri Mridul Pachani, STA, NIELIT Guwahati, with the participants of the workshop

A week long "College Teachers Training" program in Bioinformatics was organized by NIELIT Guwahati during 23-30 July 2014. Sri K. Baruah, Director, NIELIT Guwahati inaugurated the programme in the august presence of Prof. D. K. Sharma, Professor & Co-ordinator, DBT-BIF Centre, Gauhati University, and Prof. Probodh Borah, Professor & HoD, Dept. of Animal Biotechnology. The training was attended by six faculties from different Colleges in the state. Prominent academicians in the field of Bioinformatics, Molecular Biology and Chemoinformatics in the State, which included Prof. R.C. Deka, HoD, Dept. of Chemical Sciences, Tezpur University, Dr. S.K. Ray, HoD, Dept. of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Tezpur University, Sri Udayan Borthakur, Head, Wildlife Genetics Programme of Aaranyak, Guwahati, Dr. Pankaj Chetia, Assistant Professor, Dibrugarh University and Sri Saurov Mahanta, STA NIELIT delivered lectures as a part of the training programme. The valedictory session of the programme was addressed by Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, Managing Director, NIELIT through Video Conferencing. During interaction with the MD, NIELIT, the participants requested to organize more such programmes frequently for the benefit of the College Teachers. The participants also

expressed their gratitude to NIELIT Guwahati for providing them an opportunity to update their knowledge. IK BARUAH

## **CREATING MASS SECURITY AWARENESS**

The 3rd Project Review and Steering Group (PRSG) meeting on Creating mass cyber security awareness among schools, colleges and government officials through appropriate training and campaign mechanism in North-Eastern States of Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura was held at NIELIT Agartala Centre on September 6, 2014 under the chairmanship of Dr. Gulshan Rai, DG, CERT-IN & Group Coordinator, Cyber Law & e-Security Group, DeitY. The basic objective of the project is to generate information security awareness among the students of schools and colleges and Government Officials. Awareness workshops were conducted at 64 schools and 28 colleges involving 126 master trainers. Awareness Workshops were also held for 329 Government employees. Also, a dedicated web portal, 'www.cybersecawareness.in' has been created which contains animated videos on selected cyber security topics to generate awareness among the masses. The review meeting was held to discuss physical, technical and financial progress and achievements made by NIELIT Centre towards implementation of the project in the states of Tripura, Mizoram and Kohima. | ANURAG MATHUR

PRSG Meeting in progress under the chairmanship of Dr Gulshan Rai, DG, CERT-In. Also seen in the picture are (from left to right) Shri N. Debachandra Singh, Director, NIELIT Aizawl, Shri Susanta Biswas, Sr. Consultant, Directorate of School Education, Tripura, Shri Sanjay Bahl, CERT-In, Shri A.S.A. Krishnan, Sc-G, Deity, Shri T. P. Singh, Director NIELIT Kolkata and Shri Abhijit Debnath, Sc- B, NIELIT Agartala



# **NOTEWORTHY EVENTS**

#### e-GOVERNANCE AT TALLINN, ESTONIA



Training session in International Best Practices-e-Governance Academy at Tallinn

In a week long Training program on 'International Best Practices' during August 23–29 2014 at Tallinn, Estonia organised by e-Governance Academy, Estonia, NIELIT was represented by Shri T.P.Singh, Director, NIELIT Kolkata and Shri Partho Adhikari, Deputy Director, NIELIT Hq. The programme was also attended by 21 senior Government Officers associated with e-Governance projects drawn from different ministries/departments in India.

The main purpose of the visit was to understand about the details of IT activities undertaken in Estonia and also gather knowledge about various Information Society indicators which are used in this process. In Estonia, 100% of the schools and government organizations have computers in place, 97% of business sector use computers and about 80% of the families have computers at home for day to day use. The entire country has a broadband connectivity using 3G & 4G networks. There are numerous e-Services in Estonia such as e/m-Parking, e-Bank, e-Energy, e-School, e-Parliament, e-Factory, x-Roads, e-Health, e-Prescription, e-Cabinet, e-Police, e-Identity, i-Voting, e-Receipt etc. Most transactions are done through mobile using the mobile ID that enables secure authentication and digital signature as there is free Wifi availability at most of the public places. The Estonian e-Governance process demonstrates that technological

interventions provide the opportunity to attain greater levels of participatory citizenship leading to democratic accountability and social justice. | PARTHO ADHIKARI

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#### DATA MINING CONCEPTS AND APPLICATIONS

A seminar on "Data Mining Concepts and its Applications" was organized at NIELIT Kolkata on August 19, 2014 wherein eminent academician, Professor Pabitra Mitra, IIT Kharagpur delivered a lecture. Prof. Mitra addressed the participants on concepts of data collection, data availability and automated data collection tools. He briefly explained knowledge discovery from data and data warehouse, data mining and business intelligence, confluence of multiple disciplines, correlation and causality concepts and data mining algorithm. The lecture session was attended by enthusiastic students of NIELIT Kolkata. Prof. Mitra also encouraged the students to take up research work in data mining and stressed the fact that many avenues are opened for those who have done a project on data mining. Shri A. K. Chandra, Scientist-E, NIELIT Kolkata proposed the vote of thanks. | T.P. SINGH

Professor Pabitra Mitra, IIT Kharagpur delivering lecture during the Seminar on "Data Mining concepts and its applications" at NIELIT Kolkata



### DIGITAL INDIA PROGRAMME AND NATIONAL DIGITAL LITERACY MISSION

'Digital India' aims to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy.

programme This has been envisaged by the Department of Electronics and Information Technology (DeitY), The programme also envisions to provide a 'cradleto-grave' digital identity that is unique, lifelong and online. NDLM encourages penetration in this country using Digital Literacy as one of the main tools. Under NDLM, NIELIT others has been entrusted to conduct examinations of 10 Lakh candidates in

Meeting of the Empowered Committee on NDLM under the Chairmanship of Shri RS Sharma, IAS, Secretary, DietY. Also seen in the picture are Shri Ajay Kumar, IAS, JS, DeitY, Shri R Chandrashekhar, President, NASSCOM, Dr. Dinesh Tyagi, CEO, CSC-SPV, Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT, Shri A K Arora, (HoD, HRD), DeitY, Shri Sanjay Vyas, Joint Director, DeitY and others

18 months for Digital Literacy programs. In this regard, a detailed mechanism is being worked

out which shall ensure rapid scaling of operations, besides ensuring the holistic system for training and certification through appropriate checks and balances. The Empowered Committee on NDLM, in a recent meeting held under the Chairmanship of Shri RS Sharma, IAS, Secretary, DeitY deliberated various issues pertaining to conduct of examinations course content, proposed slogan and logo of the campaign, besides other points. | RAJNEESH ASTHANA

# **CAPACITY BUILDING**

#### **MOU WITH NIT, PATNA**



Exchange of MOU between Dr. Samsher, Director, NIELIT Patna and Prof. (Dr.) Asok De, Director, NIT Patna

NIELIT Patna and National Institute of Technology, Patna (NITP) have signed an agreement for mutual cooperation in the field of Information Technology and Electronics. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on June 26, 2014 between Dr. Samsher, Director, NIELIT Gorakhpur and Dr. Asok De, Director, NIT Patna with the objective to enhance academic interest between NITP and NIELIT Patna. A Quality Improvement Programme for the faculties of NIELIT Patna will be introduced under the guidance of NITP. NIELIT Patna and NITP will jointly organize Workshops/Conferences and Personality Development Programmes for enhancement of skills of faculty, staff and students of both the organization. NITP Patna will also provide necessary support in development of

e-class rooms, curriculum, establishment of Research Labs, Training, Library etc. Further, both the organization shall also make efforts jointly to launch various short term/long term courses based on industry requirement. | ALOK TRIPATHI

#### **CAPACITY BUILDING OF UP POLICE**



Dr. Samsher, Director, NIELIT Gorakhpur presenting training kit to the Prosecution Officers

NIELIT Gorakhpur organized a two months training programme on CCC from June 9, 2014 to August 9, 2014 sponsored by Directorate of Prosecution, Uttar Pradesh for the officials of Police Department, Uttar Pradesh. The training was attended by seven Prosecution Officers of the state. The basic objective of the training was to train the participants in basics skills in computer such as GUI based operating system, elements of word processing, spreadsheets, computer communication and Internet etc. which will enable them to acquire the knowledge pertaining to fundamentals of Information Technology. | DR. SAMSHER

#### **FOUNDATION DAY AT NIELIT AURANGABAD**



Professor B.A. Chopade, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad, delivering his address during Foundation Day Ceremony at NIELIT Aurangabad. Also seen in the picture are Dr. Dhanraj Mane, Registrar, Prof. K.V. Kale, Director, BCUD, Dr. BAM University and Dr. Ranjan Maheshwari, Director, NIELIT Aurangabad.

NIELIT Aurangabad Centre celebrated its 28th Foundation Day on September 19, 2014. This Centre, which came into existence as Centre for Electronics Design and Technology (CEDT), Aurangabad on September 19, 1986, has been celebrating its foundation day each year on September 19. Professor B.A. Chopade, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University,

Aurangabad, attended the event as the Chief Guest. Dr. Dhanraj Mane, Registrar and Prof. K.V. Kale, Director, BCUD, Dr. BAM University also attended the event, besides other dignitaries from Industries and Academia.

Various events were organized, which included Cultural Programme, Sports, Quizzes, etc.. A Blood Donation Camp was also organized in collaboration with Government Medical College & Hospital, Aurangabad. Students and Staff of NIELIT Aurangabad Centre were also felicitated on the occasion. | DR. RANJAN MAHESHWARI

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#### **DPC THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING**

In line with the endeavor of NIELIT in using technology to save on time, the Departmental Promotion Committee Meeting for below Group 'A' S&T employees of NIELIT Centre, Aizawl was held on August 6, 2014 under the chairmanship of Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, Managing Director, NIELIT through Video Conferencing. Dr. Sharma chaired the Committee from NIELIT HQ, New Delhi through video conferencing mode while the other two members of Selection Committee and the candidates to be interviewed were present in Aizawl Centre. The event proved to be very successful and it is felt that in future, it can be replicated in other spheres also as it saves lots of valuable time and efforts, otherwise wasted in travelling, boarding and lodging etc. [B N CHOUDHURY]

#### **SOME NEW INITIATIVES**

#### **ONLINE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES**

In order to expedite the process of certificate issuance, NIELIT has implemented the Online issuance of digitally signed provisional certificates of BCC and CCC in July 2014. To ensure the security and to prevent misuse, the provisional certificates of BCC and CCC are equipped with a QR code.

#### **AADHAR ENABLED BIOMETRIC ATTENDANCE SYSTEM**

Since March 2014, NIELIT has put in place a web based biometric attendance system. Recently, DeitY has also introduced an Aadhaar Based Biometric Attendance System, which is being adapted by Government Departments. All employees of NIELIT HQ have started marking their attendance in the Aadhaar enabled Biometric attendance system. This facility is also being extended to all NIELIT centres. The attendance records of the employees are also available Online for better monitoring and punctuality purposes.

### **NIELIT CALL CENTRE (NCC)**

At present, NIELIT caters to the training/ skilling needs of more thatn 10 Lakh candidates. A large number of queries are received on daily basis at NIELIT HQ and Centers. To address the needs of the candidates and to strengthen the query management system, a proposal is being mooted for the creation of a National Level NIELIT

Call Center (NCC) which will deal mainly with the issues related to the courses offered by NIELIT and examination related queries. The Call Center is expected to have bi-lingual capabilities, so that the replies can be made either in English or in Hindi as per the convenience of the student community.

#### PORTAL FOR ESDM SCHEME

NIELIT has been appointed as the Programme Management Unit (PMU) for DeitY's Scheme on Financial Assistance to select states for Skill Development in the ESDM Sector. In this regard, a Portal is being created for dissemination of information, besides monitoring and generation of assessment reports. The Portal shall be a 'one-stop' solution and would address the needs of all stakeholders, which includes State Implementing Agencies, Affiliated Training partners, Students, and Employers, besides, monitoring by NIELIT-PMU and DeitY. The Portal shall be Aadhaar enabled and it is also proposed that the portal shall provide for financial assistance to the beneficiaries through Aadhaar based Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) scheme.

#### ISEA AT NIELIT GORAKHPUR

NIELIT Gorakhpur has been designated as the National Coordination Centre for Government Official Training for the Project 'Information Security Education & Awareness (ISEA) – Phase II'. Six Centres of NIELIT, Six Centres of C-DAC and ERNET India are participating in the Project.

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# A MEETING WITH GENERAL (DR.) V.K. SINGH, HON'BLE MINISTER, DONER



Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT welcoming Hon'ble MoS (I/C), DoNER, General (Dr.) V. K. Singh

With a view to take forward the capacity building initiatives of NIELIT in the North-Eastern Region, a presentation was made to General (Dr.) V. K. Singh, Hon'ble MoS (I/C), Ministry for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER) on July 3, 2014 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi. The Hon'ble MoS was apprised of the various initiatives that can be undertaken by NIELIT to enhance employability of youth. Capacity Building of the youth of NE Region can also be taken up with a view to make them employable in countries which have demographic similarities with the region such as China, Korea, Japan, Taiwan etc. General (Dr.) V.K. Singh appreciated the efforts of NIELIT and complimented Dr. Ashwini Kumar Sharma, MD, NIELIT for his efforts to implement schemes in the NE states for the upliftment of rural/marginalized sections vof the Society. During the interaction, it was also brought out by Dr. Sharma that the State Government of Arunachal Pradesh and the Government of Sikkim has accorded recognition to NIELIT courses for employability purposes and he hoped that the other NE States would follow suit, by way of suitable gazette notification. | ANURAG GUPTA

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