

CPSEs Roundtable and Exhibition-2023

25-26 September, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi

The Department of Public Enterprises (DPE), in collaboration with the Standing Conference of Public Enterprises (SCOPE), organized a two-day Roundtable & Exhibition on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), focusing on the interventions and achievements of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs). The roundtable included seven technical sessions addressing various aspects of the CSR ecosystem.

In consultation with line ministries, departments, and NITI Aayog, DPE emphasized strengthening CSR activities in Aspirational Districts to align with national priorities. The government's annual theme for CPSEs' CSR expenditure was discussed, with sub-themes identified to meet the specific needs of these districts. Domain experts provided strategies for creating replicable and scalable programs for greater impact.

Roundtable was inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister of State, Finance, Government of India Dr. Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad in the presence of Shri Ali R. Rizvi, Secretary, DPE, Shri R.K. Agarwal, CMD, WAPCOS, Shri Animesh Bharti, Economic Advisor, DPE, Shri Atul Sobti, DG, SCOPE and other senior officers from departments of PE, WCD, Sports, School Education & Literacy, MOHFW and NITI Aayog. Inaugural session was followed by first technical session focused on aligning CSR interventions with national priorities and government schemes, while the second session highlighted best practices and expectations from CPSE/CSO and Implementing Agencies for CSR activities in Aspirational Districts.

The second day began with a session on enhancing CSR outcomes and impacts in Aspirational Districts. Representatives from rating agencies like CRISIL and CARE Edge, led the penultimate session.

The final session featured a panel discussion on the expected takeaways from the roundtable, facilitating comprehensive discussions among district officials, grant-makers, and implementing partners. Shri Animesh Bharti, Economic Advisor to DPE, presented the final takeaways, which were adopted for further action