

2nd Workshop on Capacity Building of CPSEs in Varanasi

The 2nd interactive Workshop was organised at Varanasi on 29th of February, 2024 focussed on Aspirational Districts of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Madhya Pradesh with the objective that officials of district administration and CSR nodal officers of CPSEs collectively brainstorm and get technical insights from sectoral ministries and CSR experts on identified CSR themes. Around 90 persons including officials of DPE AD's of UP, MP, and Bihar, Sectoral ministries/ Departments viz. Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Women and Child Development, Sports, School Education and Literacy, CSR nodal Officers of CPSEs, UNICEF and implementing agencies participated in the Workshop.

In the inaugural session of the Workshop Welcome address was delivered by Shri Zakari Adam, Chief Field Officer, UNICEF- UP. Dr. Sumantra Pal, Economic Advisor, Department of Public Enterprises delivered the keynote address, context of the workshop and outlined the expected outcome from the workshop. The Inaugural session ended with Vote of thanks from Rahul Bansal, RMP, UNICEF.

The first Session one of the workshop had Presentations on identified CSR themes by concerned Sectoral Ministries/departments Dr. Zoya Ali Rizvi, Deputy Commissioner, MoHFW made a detailed presentation on Sickle Cell Anemia, followed by a presentation on Tuberculosis Control by Dr. Sanjay Kumar Mattoo, MOHFW. A Presentation on Poshan, Malnutrition and Stunting amongst children was delivered by Shri Azeem Rehman, Senior Expert BCC POSHAN (MWCD). A presentation on Cancer was given by Dr. Harshvardhan Nayak, MOHFW. Shri Ram Singh, Deputy Director, DSEL presented details of Improved Services in Government Schools- Vidyanjali. The first session concluded with the presentation on Rare diseases by Dr. Zoya Ali Rizvi, Deputy Commissioner, MoHFW.

In the second session of the workshop Success stories/ Best Practices on CSR interventions of CPSEs were presented. The session was moderated by Dr. Garima Dadich, Associate Professor and Head- SBE, IICA. Shri Neeraj Kapoor, GM, NTPC, Ms. Vidya Jagannathan, Sr. DGM, CSR, BEL, Shri A K Rai, GM, CSR, PGCIL, Prof. Chetan Singh Solanki, IIT Bombay and Ms. Padma Raghavan, VP, Alumni & Corporate Relations, IIT Madras made their presentations during the session

Shri Faiz A. Ashrafi, Team Leader, CSR Technical Support Unit, DPE presented details of CSR theme-wise priorities indicated by the Aspirational Districts from UP, MP & Bihar followed by reflections from participating DCs/DMs and CPSEs.

The third session of the workshop had thematic Discussion on identified CSR themes which was moderated by Shri Ravish Kumar, Nutrition Officer, UNICEF. Wing Commander Jainendra Pathak (Retd), Aspirational Bharat Collaborative, Piramal Foundation, Shri Anshul Kumar, DM,

Banka made a presentation on the CSR needs of Banka district and work done so far. Shri Gajendra, CEO, Zila Panchayat, Singrauli also made a presentation and the session ended with a Video presentation by Ms. Meena Gupta, CDPO, Chandauli.

A group activity was thereafter conducted where participants were divided into two groups to critically brainstorm and discuss the identified CSR themes to come up with workable CSR models/interventions. Both groups presented and discussed the outcomes of the group activity. The workshop ended with vote of thanks by Ms. Kranti Khobragade, DS, DPE and Mr. Shubrajyoti Bhowmick, UNICEF.