



Dr MCR Human Resource Development Institute of Telangana

Press Release

Govt. of Telangana Celebrates first ever Civil Services Day

Government of Telangana celebrated the first ever Civil Services Day in the state at Dr.MCR HRD Institute of Telangana. A large number of civil servants attended the event with enthusiasm.

Speaking on the relevance of the civil services Sri D Subba Rao, IAS (Retd.), former Governor RBI, in his keynote address stated that while the environment has been changing at a mind-boggling pace, the relevance of character of a Civil Servant, in terms of such values as honesty, credibility, integrity, passion, and trust, in discharging his duties efficiently has not changed. He opined that the challenges that a Civil Servant faces are complex and only those who keep in touch with ground realities, capture the truth by listening to silent majority, and keep learning both from their successes and failures alone will succeed with flying colours in their careers”, he observed.

Dr.Rao stated that while it is next to impossible to obtain domain knowledge like specialists, given the multiple domains that they are called upon to work in, the broad-based knowledge and field experience possessed by the civil servants gives them a comparative advantage and that is their strength. He opined that the phenomenon of political interference is more imaginary than real and Civil Servants can deal with them in a win-win style considering their extensive experience in dealing with people. He concluded his address by advising them to maintain the work-life balance considering the fact that their jobs are extremely challenging.

Sri S P Singh, IAS, Chief Secretary to Government of Telangana, in his Presidential Address, said that the Civil Service, which is considered as the “steel frame” of the country, delivered impeccably not only in the past but also in the post-liberalisation era and thereby gained global acclaim. In recent times, judicial activism, interface with multiple stakeholders, role of the media, etc, have made the job of Civil Servants highly challenging in nature. “Civil Service Day, therefore, is an opportunity to reflect on the changes that are taking place in the internal and external environment, identifying the corresponding improvements in the competencies, and continuing to be relevant in a changing world of work”, he stated and added that Civil Service will contribute its might in making India one of the super powers.

On this occasion, the Chief Secretary announced the decision of the Government to institute **Telangana Excellence Awards (TEX Awards)**. Awards will be instituted by the State Government, (to be presented on the State formation day on 2nd June or Independence Day), in the following categories:

I. Flagship Programmes

- a) Mission Bhageeratha
- b) Mission Kakatiya
- c) Kalyana Lakshmi / Shaadi Mubarak
- d) Arogya Lakshmi
- e) Haritha Haram

II. General category

III. Innovation category

In each of these categories, Awards will be presented to individuals, groups/ Departments/Districts and Organizations to be selected through a screening process, including field verification. Nomination for the awards need to be uploaded through the State Portal, which will be facilitated by the ITE&C Department.

Sri B P Acharya, Special Chief Secretary Planning and Director General, Dr. MCR HRD Institute, who moderated the discussions called upon the Civil Servants to carry out their responsibilities without fear or favour and support one another. Mentorship of junior officers should also be taken up as part of the job. He read out the message of the Hon'ble CM congratulating the officers on their commendable contribution to the success of the district reorganisation exercise as well as developmental projects undertaken by the State.

On this occasion, Dr. D. Subbarao opened the display of cartoons made by Sri B.P.Acharya, IAS, under the caption "Obtuse Angle" and also unveiled the portrait of Late Shraavan Kumar, former Chief Secretary of the State after whom a conference hall was named in MCR HRDIT. The Chief Secretary released a book on "Disaster Management in India" by Dr. Mohan Kanda former Chief Secretary of the State who was also present on the occasion. Sri Mohan Kanda, IAS (Retd.) said that in the ultimate analysis Civil Servants are accountable to poor people and, therefore, they should keep their interests first while taking decisions.

Smt. Shalini Mishra, IAS, Principal Secretary, GAD gave the welcome address. Dr.Christina Z Chonthu, IAS, MD, Telangana State Tourism Development Corporation conducted the function. Sri JayeshRanjan, IAS, Secretary to Govt., for IT proposed a vote of thanks.



Lighting of the lamp by Dr. D.Subbarao, former RBI, Governor. Chief Secretary Sri S.P.Singh, and Sri B.P.Acharya, Special Chief Secretary, Planning and D.G. Dr. MCR HRDIT are also seen.



Presidential address by Chief Secretary Sri S.P.Singh. B.P.Acharya, Special Chief Secretary, Planning and D.G. Dr. MCR HRDIT and Dr. Mohan Kanda, former Chief Secretary are also seen.



Officers attending Civil Services Day function at MCR HRDIT on 21.04.2017.



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