

Foundation Course for Drugs Inspectors

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61 years of history.

- 1952 in Madras state.- 1940 Act and Rules in 1945. – Enforcement from 49 in Mumbai, Central, Orissa and Travancore Cochin.
- Madras State 1951 and DIs appointment in 1952. DMS is Ex officio DC at the state-ADMO's Ex officio DIs in Dist Hqrs and CAS at Taluk level.
- Learnt work from seeing old printed inspection Report forms.
- 8 DIs in Madras – 4 DIs for Andhra and in 1959.
- 4 more appointed when it was AP with Hyd as Capital- 1959 DIS from Andhra transferred to Telengana but transferred again in 1961 to Andhra.

61 years of history contd...

- For first time 2 Sr DIS and 4 DIS have been posted for the AP.
- TRg program was organized for the 1st time by Govt of India in 1963 . 21 days in Maharashtra and 21 days in Gujarat. 2 DIS from each state were selected. This trg was continued for some more years and presently every state is organizing their own trg. Presently for the last 3-4 years this institute is organizing the program. These Batches were very fortunate as the DIS appointed know and learn the work from experienced persons after well informed about the provisions of the relevant Acts like DC, DMROA, Price control order, Narcotics and psychotropic Drugs etc.

Inspections

- Twice a year as per the act. One should be at least Intensive Drugs Inspection .Behavior and conduct of DIS during the inspection of both shops and mfg premises.

Changes in the administrative side

- 1974 the DIs were under the administrative control of DMS and Ex officio DC and Tech control of Vigilance and enforcement wing and a Dy. IG of police has been appointed. But in 1976 a new dept has been carved out and named ad DC & FHA.
- After of a couple of officers have been appointed the third officer has refused to come to the post saying that this is a tech post and a technical person should head the organization, as such person will have better knowledge of the subject and enforcement.

Changes in the administrative side

- First Technical DC & FHA was appointed in 1981 and subsequently in late 1981, DCA has been appointed- linking food health authority to IPM.
- After three technical officers working as Directors DCA and a decade after Govt. appointed a police officer of the rank of Addl. DG and DG etc., as administrative head of the Dept. and Director DCA as Technical head of the organization.

Laboratories

- King Institute of Guindy, Madras – IPM, Hyderabad – Nacharam and presently at DCA office itself with a regional lab at Vijayawada.
- Central Institute, Kausali.

Building of the Dept

- In 1983, a nominal provision was made in the plan scheme with 1 lakh of rupees and subsequently site was given and building was constructed and handed over to the Dept in 1988 where it is existing now.
- Fortunately I was the person who held all the posts like:
- DI – Sr DI – ADC – Dy DC – Dy Director (Drugs) – JDC – DC & FHA – Director DCA in which post I retired in Jan 1989 after 37 and half yrs and served as HOD for 7 and half years which is a record for any HOD.
- But now the designations are: DI, Asst. Director, Dy, Director, Joint Director and Director.

Scales of pay

- DI – Rs. 125-225 with FTA of Rs 75/- and a minimum tour of 15 days a month. After the creation of the SR DIS, FTA has been made as regular TA and later the posts of DIS were made Gazetted posts. During the past many years, scales have been revised and I feel that a fresh B Pharm. which was the qualification for the DI is on a fairly good scale of pay

Training

- The training program has chalked a very detailed study of the various acts and the provision you have to enforce and factory visits and inspections of chemists as well as Drug mfg. units etc and experts and very knowledgeable persons have been assigned for the purpose and I hope you will all be benefitted by this foundation training course and you will be very good inspectors and good citizens of the country as you are the custodians of health of the people in your own way and the Govt. has entrusted this responsibility to you all young officers.

Points to be remembered

- Carry always your identity card with photo and show it to the concerned person and introduce your self.
- Keep you eyes and ears open during the inspections.
- Have a patient hearing for other man's view of point.
- The boss is not your self but the other person.
- Please never occupy the owner seat even it is offered as it is his privilege as he is the boss.

Thank You