

# INDIAN INSTITUTE OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

*under the aegis of Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government of India*

## Five-Day Familiarization Capacity Building Programme on “Public Procurement (Policy and Procedures)”

**Endorsed by the Department of Expenditure, Government of India**

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| <b>Dates</b>        | 17–21 August 2026                   | <b>Venue</b>        | ibis Styles Goa Vagator     |
| <b>Organized by</b> | IICA, Ministry of Corporate Affairs | <b>Participants</b> | 43 officers & professionals |

### 1. Programme Overview

The Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA), through its Centre for MSME, successfully conducted the Five-Day Familiarization Capacity Building Programme on “Public Procurement (Policy and Procedures)” from 17 to 21 August 2026 at ibis Styles Goa Vagator. The programme was conducted under the aegis of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs and endorsed by the Department of Expenditure (DoE), Government of India.

The programme was conceived in the context of the growing strategic importance of public procurement in governance, economic activity and industrial development and the need for procurement professionals to remain conversant with evolving policy, procedural, risk-management and digital procurement requirements.

### 2. Objectives

- Strengthen conceptual clarity and practical understanding of public procurement policies, procedures and regulatory frameworks.
- Enhance institutional capacity for transparent, efficient and value-driven procurement of goods, works and services.
- Build practical competencies in procurement planning, tendering, bid evaluation, contract management and risk mitigation.
- Improve understanding of Government of India procurement policies and related frameworks, including Make in India, the Public Procurement Policy for MSEs and GeM guidelines.
- Enable participants to approach procurement as a strategic institutional function supporting efficiency, accountability, transparency and fiscal prudence.

### 3. Participation and Institutional Diversity

The programme brought together 43 officers and professionals from a diverse cross-section of Central Government Ministries, Departments, statutory and autonomous bodies, PSUs, financial institutions and other public-sector organizations.

Key participating organizations represented in the programme included:

- Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways
- Department of Posts
- National Forensic Sciences University
- Oil India Ltd.
- Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC)
- Directorate General, ITBP
- Ministry of Home Affairs
- Gujarat Gramin Bank

- Department of Science and Technology
- Electronics Corporation of India Limited
- Delhi Jal Board
- Andhra Pradesh Grameena Bank
- Ministry of Defence
- Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)
- Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation of India (ALIMCO)
- NMDC Ltd.

#### 4. Coverage of the Programme

The five-day programme covered the public procurement cycle from planning and regulatory frameworks through tendering, evaluation, award, contract implementation, performance management and closure, with dedicated attention to risk, vigilance and GeM.

| Date / Day              | Major Coverage                                                                                                                                   |
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| Day 1 – 17 August, 2026 | Public Procurement for Good Governance & Risk Management; Vendor Management & Supply Chain Risk Assessment and Mitigation Plan.                  |
| Day 2 – 18 August, 2026 | Public Procurement Landscape in India; Regulatory Framework and E-Procurement; Advanced Bid & Tendering Procedures.                              |
| Day 3 – 19 August, 2026 | Tender Opening, Evaluation, Award & Execution of Contracts (Goods & Works); Procurement of Services, Contract Performance & Closure.             |
| Day 4 – 20 August, 2026 | Managing Procurement Integration, Complexity & Uncertainty: Strategic Choices and Options; Deep Dive – Government e-Marketplace (GeM).           |
| Day 5 – 21 August, 2026 | Red Flags in Public Procurement: Vigilance Insights; case studies and examples; wrap-up, feedback, closing remarks and certificate distribution. |

#### 5. Pedagogy and Learning Approach

The programme followed an interactive and practice-oriented approach designed to connect policy requirements with operational procurement realities. The methodology included:

- Expert-led classroom sessions and structured presentations.
- Case studies and real-life procurement scenarios.
- Guided discussions and analytical questioning.
- Question-and-answer sessions and peer-to-peer interaction.
- Practical demonstrations and examples, including the GeM-focused session.
- Comprehensive reference materials and presentations for post-programme use.

#### 6. Faculty and Resource Persons

The programme was delivered by experienced internal and external subject-matter experts. The programme report records the following faculty/resource persons:

- Sh. Rajesh Batra – Programme Director & Faculty, Head – Centre for MSME, IICA.
- Sh. Chittaranjan Samantray – Faculty.
- Sh. Kenneth Alphonso – GeM Expert – for the dedicated GeM deep-dive session.

## **7. Programme Outcomes and Highlights**

- Strengthened understanding of the policy intent and procedural requirements governing public procurement.
- Greater appreciation of procurement as an integrated strategic function rather than only a transactional activity.
- Enhanced awareness of risk identification, assessment and mitigation across procurement and supply-chain processes.
- Improved understanding of tendering, bid evaluation, contract execution, performance monitoring and closure.
- Greater familiarity with GeM workflows and the application of applicable financial/procurement rules in digital procurement.
- Strong emphasis on preventive vigilance, integrity, transparency and accountability in procurement decision-making.
- Cross-sectoral peer learning enabled participants to exchange perspectives arising from different institutional procurement environments.
- The case-based and discussion-led format supported translation of policy provisions into practical decision-making situations.

## **8. Participant Response**

As recorded in the programme brief report, participants expressed strong appreciation for the programme structure, depth of content, expertise of resource persons and practical orientation of the sessions. The discussions and analytical questioning also contributed to a collaborative learning environment and professional networking among participants from different institutions.

## **9. Inaugural and Valedictory Proceedings**

The programme commenced on 17 August 2026 with a welcome address by Sh. Rajesh Batra, Head – Centre for MSME, IICA. The programme concluded on 21 August 2026 with a valedictory address by Sh. Rajesh Batra, during which key learnings were summarized and participants were encouraged to translate the learning into organizational practice. The concluding session also included feedback and distribution of certificates.

## **10. Overall Assessment**

The five-day programme provided a structured end-to-end learning experience covering policy, procedure, tendering, contracting, risk, vigilance and digital procurement. Its principal strength was the combination of regulatory orientation with practical examples, case discussions and cross-institutional interaction. The programme therefore provided participants with a consolidated framework for strengthening procurement practices within their respective organizations.

## **11. Conclusion**

The successful completion of the programme reinforces IICA's role as a capacity-building institution supporting governance reforms, procurement excellence and inclusive public procurement. The programme also provided a useful platform for continued professional exchange among procurement, finance, engineering, administration and management professionals across public institutions.



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