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REGIONAL TRAINING CENTRE, BENGALURU
INDIAN AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

Kempegowda Watch Tower, Lalbagh, Bengaluru
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About Purple Lotus

Nelumbo nucifera, also known as Indian lotus, is the national flower of India as well as the State of Karnataka. 'The purple lotus holds the keys to creativity, royalty, dignity, extravagance, and wisdom. As a Knowledge Centre, RTC, Bengaluru symbolizes the Purple Lotus

Kempe Gowda was the founder of Bangalore which was designed in the year 1537. He built the four towers to mark the outer most boundaries of Bangalore. One of the towers stands in Lalbagh which has been rebuilt to look like a temple. As RTC, Bengaluru is overlooking to move to its new premises near Lal Bagh, we at RTC feel closely connected to this historical place.

About us

The Regional Training Centre (RTC), Bengaluru is one of the two RTCs besides ten Regional Training Institutes of the Indian Audit & Accounts Department. This Training Centre caters to the training requirements of 9 user offices of Indian Audit & Accounts Department located in Karnataka. RTC, Bengaluru has been identified as Knowledge Resource Centre in the Area of Information Technology Audit. The administrative control of this Centre is with O/o. Principal Director of RTC, Bengaluru.

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"Learning never exhausts the mind"

Leonardo da vinci

From Principal Director's Desk

I take great pleasure in bringing out the first edition of the newsletter for the period from January to April 2022 showcasing the initiatives and achievements of this office. During this period, we resumed the onsite training classes.

The office of RTC Bengaluru has been nominated as the Knowledge Centre in the area of Information Systems Audit. As a part of our knowledge Centre activity we have developed three structured training modules (STM) on "Data Analysis in Oracle", "Data Analysis in Postgre SQL" and "Data Analysis in MySQL". It has been sent to the Training wing for peer review. The STM includes Exercises, Power point presentations, videos, reference materials, instructor and participants note and group exercise for the participants.

We conducted two all India seminars in March 2022 for 61 trainees including 12 IA&AS officers across 40 offices in IAAD organized in collaboration with experts from NIC Bengaluru, RBI Mumbai and Centre for Smart governance, Government of Karnataka. We also conducted a three-day workshop on "CBIC-GST application" for 165 trainees across 14 offices. An All India training on "Advanced SQL and PL/SQL" for Core faculties of RTIs and RTCs was also conducted.

We conducted the RAC meeting on 24th February 2022 to finalize the COTP for the year 2022-23 and discuss other matters. I thank all the user offices for their continued support and cooperation in enabling this office to achieve all its endeavors.

I also take this opportunity to thank and appreciate the efforts taken by the faculties and staff of RTC for smooth functioning of this office.

We look forward to your inputs and remarks if any on this newsletter for further improvement.

Regards

Deepna Gokulram, IA&AS

Trainings conducted from January 2022 to April 2022

In the last four months of this year from January 2022 to April 2022, RTC conducted 12 General courses and 6 EDP course (Annex A). These courses received an average faculty grading of 4.75 and 4.80 respectively. Total 645 participants from 9 user offices attended the trainings which consisted of 489 participants for General courses and 156 participants for EDP courses.

The training sessions were handled by the core faculties of the Institute, senior officers of IA&AD, Group officers, serving /retired Senior Audit Officers and external experts.

At the request of user offices, RTC conducted courses on e-office in addition to the courses in the calendar.

In addition to COTP courses, following courses were also conducted as per Training wing's instructions:

a) Outcome Based Audit
b) CBIC-GST application
c) MCTP-Level-2

Scheme of Faceless Assessment in Income Tax Office

A course on "Scheme of Faceless Assessment in Income Tax office" was conducted on 11.03.2022, in which 25 officials of DT wing of PDAC office, Bengaluru participated.

For this trainings, IRS officers of Income Tax Department were invited to handle all the sessions, who provided in-depth knowledge of Faceless Assessment scheme, Faceless Appellate scheme and Faceless penalty scheme.

CBIC-GST application

All India seminar on this subject was organized in which 184 participants from 9 offices of DsG/PsD of Central Receipts participated. For handling this training IRS officers of Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Bengaluru and Chennai Zonal Units, were invited.

Training for trainers

Training for trainers was conducted from 28.02.2022 to 03.03.2022, for which DOPT approved master trainer was invited to handle the training.

MCTP-Level-2 training

The mid-career training programme for AAOs (Level-2) was conducted from 24.03.2022 to 31.03.2022 to develop professionalism and efficiency in the officers. For this training, apart from IA&AD and in-house faculties, a DOPT

approved master trainer was also invited to handle few soft skill sessions.

RTC started a mix of online and onsite classes after a break of nearly one and half year.

Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) meeting

Annual meeting of RAC was held on 24.02.2022, in which the COTP for the year 2022-23 was discussed. During the ensuing year, 29 General Courses and 8 IS courses have been planned.

Knowledge Centre Activities

Standard Training Modules (STMs) on the following topics were prepared and submitted to HQ for peer review:

- Data analysis in Oracle
- Data analysis in MySQL
- Data analysis in Postgre SQL

E-learning video

Five E-learning videos on M S Excel were prepared and sent to CAG's office for approval and disseminated to all offices.
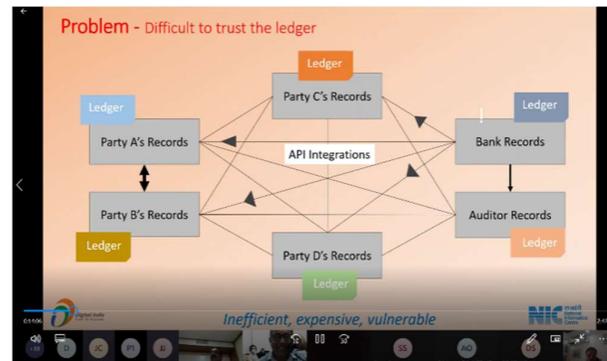
All India Seminar on Digitization of payments in the Government Sector.

The seminar was conducted on 21.03.2022, it consisted of sessions on Introduction to Block chain and use cases in Government, Blockchain technology in Treasury management system in Karnataka and Digital payments and frameworks for

e-payments in Government of India. PD inaugurated the programme introducing the context for the seminar.

Sri. P.V. Bhat, State Information Officer (SIO) conducted the first session

introducing Blockchain technology. He discussed the various challenges inherent to centralised information systems of transacting entities, as each system maintains its own ledger. He explained the concepts of block chain and its solution for issues of individual ledger systems. He presented five different use cases of block chain.

This session was followed by a talk by Shri. Saurabh Bhattacharya, Addl. Executive Director, CISG, Government of Karnataka about the use of Blockchain technology in Treasury management system, Karnataka. He discussed two use cases 1) Transaction Reconciliation and 2) Payment Risk management and his experience in implementing these concepts for the

Department of Treasuries, Government of Karnataka.

Shri Vasudevan, Chief General Manager, RBI started the second half of the seminar with introduction to the latest developments the payment services. Shri Shishir Kumar, General Manager, RBI discussed digital payments frameworks and compared the features NEFT, RTGS, IMPS and UPI based payments. Shri Amitabh Khandelwal, General Manager, RBI discussed risks in e-payments, Safeguards and Regulatory Instructions.

The programme was attended by 61 participants from all over India.
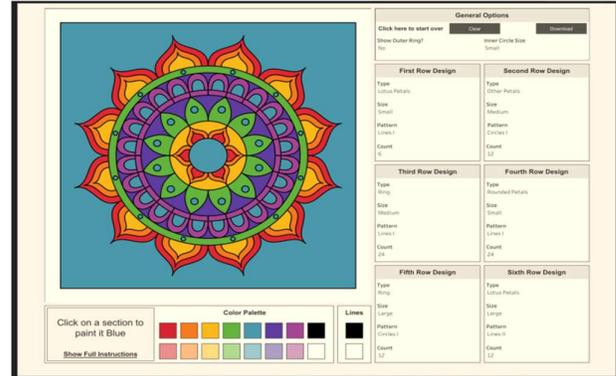
Advanced SQL and PL SQL for core faculties of RTIs

A three day programme from 28.03.2022 to 30.03.2022 was organised for the core faculties of RTIs and RTCs that included a SQL refresher on demand and advanced SQL concepts such as Hierarchical Queries and Analytical Queries. The PL SQL part of the programme introduced programming concepts using various SQL concepts such as functions, procedures, packages and triggers.

Data Analytics with Tableau

The first IT course in April 2022 was Data Analytics with Tableau from 19.04.2022 to 26.04.2022. The programme included a session on Understanding Census Data which was conducted by Shri Abhimanyu Arora, Assistant Director (Tech) from Directorate of Census Operations, Karnataka. The course also included a walk of the data.gov.in portal and use of data from the portal for analysis

in Tableau. The graphics possibilities of using Tableau beyond data analysis were shown to the participants in a walkthrough of Tableau Public where Mandala Art was downloaded and demonstrated.

New Premises for RTC

Audit Soudha a new building, is under construction near to the historical garden of Lal Bagh for accommodating some of the IA&AD offices in Bengaluru. RTC has been allocated about 5535 sqft of space spanning one and a half floors. The construction is expected to get completed by the end of the year.

Other activities:

a) Women day celebrations:

Women's day was celebrated in RTC, Bengaluru on 8th March, 2022 in which PD, RTC addressed the officials and apprised about Women empowerment and role of women in present day society.

b) Field visit of Bharat Electronic Ltd (BEL), Bengaluru

As a part of Mid-Career training programme for AAOs (Level-2), field visit of Bharat Electronic Ltd (BEL), Bengaluru was arranged for the participants, where a presentation on Coastal Surveillance System and other activities of BEL was made to the participants by Officers of BEL.

Field Visit To Bharat Electronics Ltd., Bengaluru

Annexure-A
Courses conducted between 1ˢᵗ January 2022 and 30ᵗʰ April 2022

S.No.	Name of the training course	Period	No. of trainees	Faculty grading (Out of 5)
	General Courses			
1	Government Accounts	06-01-2022 to 07-01-2022	11	4.65
2	Financial Attest Audit (Batch-II)	19-01-2022 to 21-01-2022	19	4.59
3	office procedure including Noting and Drafting (Batch-II)	23-02-2022 to 25-02-2022	19	4.82
4	Training for Trainers	28-02-2022 to 03-03-2022	10	4.80
5	Scheme of faceless assessment in income tax office	11-03-2022 to 11-03-2022	25	4.97
6	Outcome Based Audit	16-03-2022 to 18-03-2022	14	4.75
7	CBIC-GST application	23-03-2022 to 24-03-2022	184	4.63
8	MID CAREER TRAINING PROGRAMME-LEVEL-2	24-03-2022 to 31-03-2022	23	4.81
9	E-OFFICE	28-03-2022 to 28-03-2022	120	4.44
10	SAS Preparatory Training for DRAAOs CGLE 2018 Batch	04-04-2022 to 10-05-2022	16	4.75
11	Compliance & Performance Audit	18-04-2022 to 20-04-2022	25	4.63
12	Government Accounts	26-04-2022 to 28-04-2022	23	4.72
		Total	**489**	
	IS Courses			
1	Oracle as data analysis tool	04-01-2022 to 11-01-2022	11	4.83
2	MS Access	07-02-2022 to 11-02-2022	19	4.81
3	Auditing in IT environment(including IDEA)	15-03-2022 to 22-03-2022	14	4.79
4	All India seminar on Digitization of Payments in Public Finance	21-03-2022 to 21-03-2022	92	4.66
5	Advanced SQL and PL/SQL for Core faculties of RTIs	28-03-2022 to 30-03-2022	7	4.94
6	Data Analytics with Tableau	19-04-2022 to 26-04-2022	13	4.91
		Total	**156**	

External Faculty

Mr. Ramesh Kumar S, Sr. AO, Retd.,
Mr. Chetan G, Superintendent
Mr. M A Muneer Khan, Retd. Sr.AO
Mr. Inder Jeet, Mittal, MASTER TRAINER
Ms. Shireen Srivastava, E-Office implementor
Ms. Sowmya V, IRS, Joint Commissioner
Mr. Shahnawaz Ul Rahman, IRS,Addl. Commissio
Ms. Neeta Baindur, Counsellor and soft skill trair
Mr. P.V. Bhat, Dy. Director General, NIC, Karnata
Mr. Vasudevan P, Chief General Manager, RBI
Mr. Shishir Kumar, General Manager, RBI
Mr. Amitabh Khandelwal, General Manager, RBI
Mr. Nagarajan Gp, Sr. Accounts Officer (Retd.)
Mr. Abhimanyu Arora, Assistant Director(Technic
Mr. Saurabh Bhattacharya, Addl. Executive Direc
Mr. Navaneetha Gopala Krishnan, Sr. AO, Retd.,
Mr. R.Ramesh, Assistant Director
Ms. Ashakiran, Assistant Director
Mr. A.V.S.S. Viswanath, Assistant Director
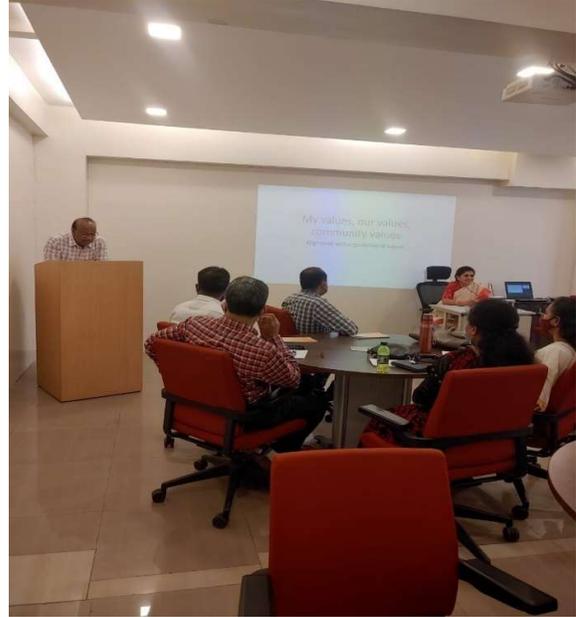Mr. Rajesh V, Sr. Intelligence Officer

Faculty from IA&AD
Ms. Smita Gopal, Principal Director
Ms. Deepna   Gokulram, Principal Director
Mr. Atul Prakash, Principal Director
Mr. DevendraSenior, Deputy Accountant Gener
Mr. Gowthaman   R, Deputy Accountant Genera
Mr. Akshay Gopal, Deputy Accountant General
Mr. Sandeep Dabur, Deputy Director
Mr. Subramanian N N, Deputy Director
Mr. Anand J J S, SAO
Ms. Kavitha B, SAO
Mr. Surinder Kumar Garg, SAO

Mr. Narayanan M, SAO
Mr. Dattaraj B S, SAO
Mr. Dhirendra K Shrivastava, SAO
Ms. Geeta Gireesh Hanagandi, SAO
Mr. Sundar Ramakrishnan, SAO
Ms. Subhashini   K, SAO
Ms. Meena P V, SAO
Mr. Pankaj Sharma, SAO
Ms. Sobha G Varior, SAO
Mr. Andrew Pon Jebakumar J, SAO
Mr. Syed Masood, SAO
Mr. Viswanath V, SAO
Ms. Sowmini S, SAO
Mr. Unnikrishnan, SAO
Mr. Ambreesh Rai, SAO
Ms. Bharati Satyanarayana, AAO
Ms. Madhavi latha V, AAO
Ms. Rani V S, AAO
Mr. Arvind Kumar, AAO
Mr. Ganesh Nithyanandam, AAO
Mr. Ravindra Kumar M K, AAO
Mr. Sanjeev Chandra Pathak, AAO
Ms. Vardha Teena, AAO
Ms. Veena Sudhir Naik, AAO
Mr. Shashi Kumar Sharma, AAO
Mr. Suresh Reddy S, AAO
Ms. Vyjayanthi M D, AAO
Mr. Akshay Dilip Lambe, AAO
Ms. Nagajyothi   M, AAO
Mr. ES Rajdeep Sagar, AAO
Mr. Omkumar Adlak, AAO
Mr. Joydeep Mukherjeee, AAO
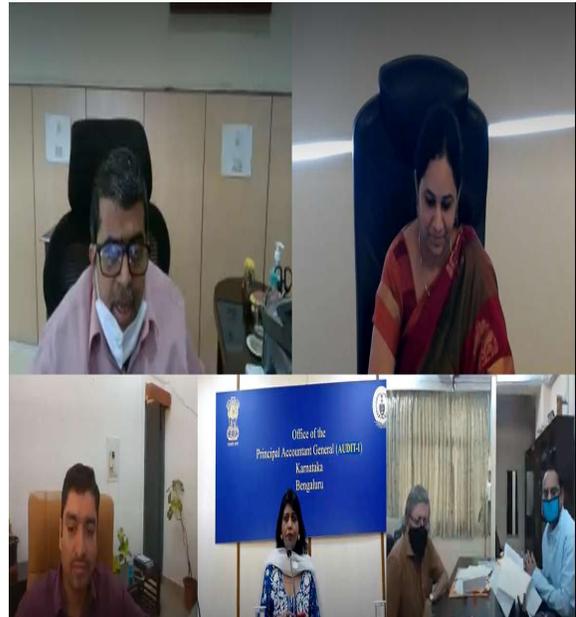Mr. Venkatesh V, Assistant Supervisor

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PD/RTC INAUGURATING COURSE

SESSION OF MCTP-LEVEL2 COURSE

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RAC MEETING