

## **IIPA ,Puducherry local branch looks back**

The Indian Institute of Public Administration, Puducherry local branch is a 42 year old organization in Puducherry. In the past six years it has rededicated itself to the ideals of Administrative principles .

Propagating the best Administrative practices has been the main interest of the IIPA, Puducherry local branch. In this endeavor it has arranged ,conducted seminars, workshops and training on topics of wide ranging interests to a wide spectrum of participants comprising of Government Officers, staff and NGO's . IIPA looks forward to do its mite to train the staff of Puducherry Administration to ensure efficient public delivery systems.

The earnest belief that the future lies in the hands of the youth has persuaded IIPA to hold many of the seminars in the various colleges in Puducherry who would otherwise not be exposed to the knowledge dispensed if the students are confined to their regular courses. Some of the seminars were ahead of time and the concepts discussed then are now becoming everyday reality when one recalls the seminar on "Global Warming" . The scope of the subjects expounded were far beyond the reach of text books, media and even the editorials of the papers if we consider the seminar on "Internal Security" .

While the experts were roped in from afar, IIPA has not hesitated to utilize the local resources in the spirit of sharing experiences for best management practices. IIPA has reasons to feel happy with the past four years as reported in the Overview.

The IIPA's in other states function with grant sanctioned by the State Government. IIPA Puducherry , local branch has requested the Government of Puducherry for annual grant .

## **An Overview of Indian Institute of Public Administration, Puducherry Branch Activities in 2008-12**

Workshop on "Science , Technology and Society" at Bharathidasan govt college for women, puducherry  
Workshop on "Internal Security in India". Indira Gandhi College of Arts and Sciences, Puducherry  
Workshop on "Consumer Awareness" Community College Pondicherry University  
9.02.2007, Seminar on "Consumer Rights in Service Sector", Puducherry, Bharathidasan college  
for women, Puducherry  
December 05.12.2007 Seminar on "Digital Governance in UT Administration" & "40th  
Anniversary Celebration" at Pondicherry University.

Seminar on "**Global warming: its impact on India**" was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2008 by IIPA ,Puducherry branch and Mother Teresa Institute of Health Sciences (MTIHS) at the MTIHS auditorium . Dr.Mrs Anisa Basheer Khan ,Prof & Head ,Dept of Ecology & Environmental Sciences ,Pondicherry University delivered the keynote address. She stated that the impact of such a rapid increase in temperature would lead to reduction in crop yield of wheat, affect water supply ,increase sea levels and give rise to number of endangered species. Sh. Pankaj Kumar Jha ,Joint Secretary (Education) explained the reason for concern in this regard and highlighted the impasse in political dialogue resulting in non ratification of Kyoto protocol. Prof Gopal , Principal ,College of Pharmacy ,MTIHS gave a video presentation on the subject. The seminar was chaired by Dr. R.R.Dhanapall , Chairman, IIPA, Puducherry branch.

A workshop on" National Rural Employment Guarantee Act " was held at Kasturba College for Women ,Villianur on **24<sup>th</sup> July 2009** for the benefit of the students . Mr S Raghunathan ,Executive Engineer delivered the keynote address and the event was presided by Dr RRDhanapall, Chairman, IIPA, Puducherry local branch .

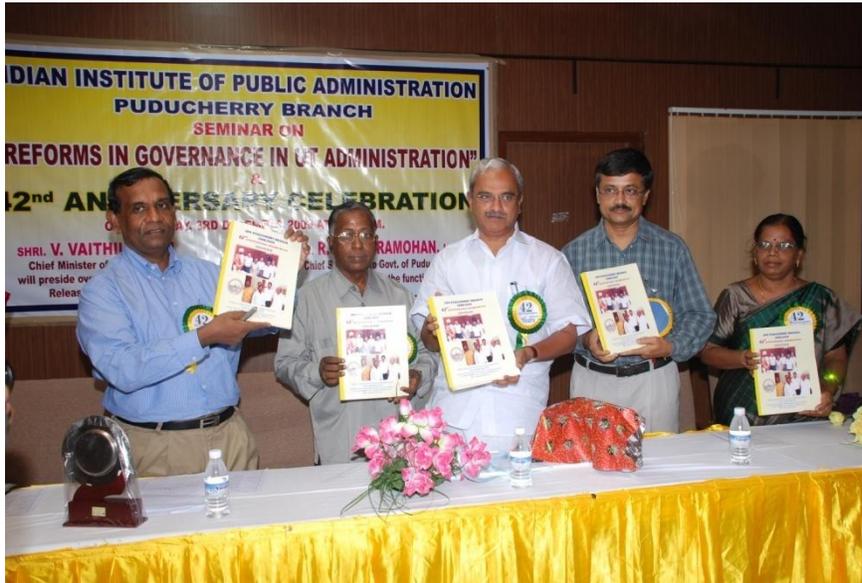
Seminar on "**Administrative Reforms –Issues in Good Governance** " was held on **3<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2009** by IIPA ,Puducherry branch and Indira Gandhi College of Arts and Science ,Kadirkamam at the College premises. Shri S .Ramanathan IAS (Retd) ,Vice President of IIPA, New Delhi delivered the key note address. The seminar was presided by Dr. R.R.Dhanapall , Chairman, IIPA, Puducherry branch.

**Police Administrative Reforms** was the subject of One day **Seminar** held on **29<sup>th</sup> August 2009** at Police Training School, Puducherry. The seminar was attended by the entire hierarchy of Police from Head Constable, SI and Inspector up to SP. Dr RRDhanapall, Chairman, IIPA gave a special address followed by keynote address by DR V N Viswanathan , Professor, Dept of Political Science, Presidency College ,Chennai. Lectures were given by Dr B Charumathi, School of Management, Puducherry University and DR M Sugathan , Specialist in Clinical Psychology .

Seminar on "**Reforms in Governance**" was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2009 by IIPA, Puducherry branch with NSS,MTIHS in MTIHS auditorium .Dr Jayantakumar Ray, Director , Collegiate Education delivered the keynote address. The seminar was presided by Dr V.Balu, Dean, MTIHS.

42<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Celebration of IIPA, Puducherry branch & Seminar on **Reforms in Governance in UT Administration**” was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 2009 at the Conference hall ,3<sup>rd</sup> Floor ,Chief Secretariat . Hon’ble Chief Minister of Puducherry Sh. V.Vaithilingam presided over the function and released the souvenir. Chief Secretary to Govt of Puducherry inaugurated the function. Dr M.Sarumathi ,Senior Faculty, NIRD, presented the seminar paper.





IIPA , Puducherry branch conducted a seminar on “ **Govt. Scheme for Water, Sanitation & Solid Waste Management** ”on 17<sup>th</sup> Mar 2010 at INTACH Conference hall ,Puducherry . Dr R.Dayalane, Microbiologist, PASIC gave a Special address on the sanitation and solid waste management initiatives undertaken in Puducherry followed by a keynote address on Govt. Scheme for water, sanitation by Er.R.Saisubramanian on the Govt. Schemes for water ,sanitation. The seminar was attended by NGO’s.



At the present juncture India's middle class is reasserting in the wake of economic growth and consequently an increasing need nurture the interests of the Indian consumer. Towards this end Center for Consumer Studies , IIPA joined hands with IIPA, Puducherry local branch in holding a **Two Day State level seminar on "Consumer Protection and Consumer Welfare"** at Hotel Mass ,Puducherry. On **5<sup>th</sup> April 2010** the seminar was inaugurated by Mr T M Balakrishnan, IAS, Secretary, Civil Supplies .The seminar was presided by Mr C .Duraiamy , President ,District Forum, Consumer Dispute redress Commission ,Puducherry.The program was conducted by Dr Suresh Misra , Chair Prof and Chairman for Consumer Studies ,IIPA, New Delhi.

The program covering a gamut of subjects from banks, medical to Electricity concluded on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2010 with Valedictory address by Dr S Kanagasabai, Director ,Planning and research dept, Puducherry while Smt P Priyatarshiny ,Director , Department of Civil Supplies gave special address on the occasion.





In its endeavor to reach out to all the regions, IIPA made its first foray to Karaikal on **10,11<sup>th</sup> May 2010** to arrange “**Importance of Capacity Development**” for the officers and Head of Offices in the program conducted at Kamarajar Administrative building, Karaikal.

**Two day Training Program** on “**Efficiency , Speed & cost saving in Administration**” for the officers /Head of Offices , Puducherry was held at Planning Department premises ,Puducherry on **14,15<sup>th</sup> Sept 2010**.

**Training to Elected representatives** and functionaries of **Commune Panchayats** was conducted on **27,28<sup>th</sup> Sept 2010** at **Puducherry** on a) Transparency and Accountability b) Social audit through public hearings c) Right to Information d) IT enabled e governance e) Computer training to PRI officials f)sharing of information and best practices .

Similarly on **30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2010** training to **Elected representatives** and functionaries of **Commune Panchayats** was conducted at **Karaikal**.

A long felt need of the local branch was office space for more effective functioning. It was a dream come true on **12<sup>th</sup> November 2010** when **Inauguration of Administrative Training Center** and **Opening of IIPA Puducherry Branch Office** was held at the fourth floor of PWD premises at Eveche Street ,Puducherry . The ATC and Office were inaugurated by Hon’ble Chief Minister of Puducherry, Mr V.Vaithilingam in the august presence of Mr Chandramohan, IAS , Chief Secretary ,Government of Puducherry. Felicitations by Mr G Thevaneethi Dhas, Special Secretary, DP&AR ,Mr S Manohar ,Chief Engineer made the occasion memorable. Prof Dr V N Viswanathan responded on behalf of IIPA explaining the role IIPA could play in training.



1) Shri. V.Vaithilingam, Chief Minister of Puducherry, Inaugural Address. From left to Chandramohan, Chief Secretary of Puducherry, Chief Guest and Right Side G.Thevaneethi Dhas, Special Secretary DP & AR Government of Puducherry, S.Manohar, Chief Engineer - PWD Government of Puducherry and Prof. Dr.V.N.Viswanathan, IIPA Member - IIPA Tamil Nadu Branch. Cheers are given felicitations.



While Planning Commission is quite well known not much is known about Finance Commission. In the light of emerging importance of Panchayat level planning , IIPA ,Puducherry branch organized a seminar on **“Devolution of Resources to Panchayats”** on **30<sup>th</sup> December 2010** attended by about 50 officers of Puducherry Administration , experts and journalists. Dr S Kanagasabai, Director, Planning and Research Department gave the inaugural address followed by Dr VN Alok , IIPA, New Delhi a former member of Finance Commission who was the key speaker .The experts stressed the need to enhance the fiscal capacity of the local governments for better service delivery to the citizens. It was opined that the recommendation of the 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission was the first step in that direction. Dr. R.R. Dhanapall , IIPA, Puducherry branch was on the Chair.





**2011 april two day training programme for "Efficiency, speedy & cost saving in administration" fro the Officers / Heads of Officers, Puducherry District**

Lecture on **"Consumer Protection in Medical Services "** which was well received in Indira Gandhi Medical College and Research Institute , Kathirkamam , Puducherry was held on **21<sup>st</sup> April 2011** and was handled by Ms Sapna Chadah , Center for Consumer Studies, IIPA, New Delhi.





IIPA's commitment to all the regions was evident in the **Two day Training Program** on "**Resource Management and Budgetary Control**" for Government officers in **Mahe** on **9,10<sup>th</sup> June 2011**.

A similar **Two day Training Program** on "**Resource Management and Budgetary Control**" for Government officers in **Yanam** on **28,29<sup>th</sup> July 2011**

IIPA was entrusted the responsibility of **Six day training program** to the freshly recruited **Puducherry University non teaching staff** which was accomplished during **22-27<sup>th</sup> Aug 2011**.

44<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of IIPA , Puducherry branch & Seminar on "**Role of Panchayats in Rural Development in the Puducherry UT since 1959**" was organized by IIPA on **27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2011** AT Conference hall of Secretariat ,Puducherry . Tmt. M. Sathivathy ,IAS inaugurated the celebration .Felicitations were rendered by Th.G.Theva Neethi Das, Secretary, GAD, DP&AR, Dr.S.Kanagasabai, Director, Planning and research and Er.S.Manohar, Chief Engineer ,PWD. In the evening session the seminar was inaugurated by Th.T.Sreekant, IAS, Secretary, The theme paper was presented by Prof Dr.V.N.Viswanathan ,Hon Secretary ,IIPA, Tamilnadu Regional branch and Prof. Dr. G. Vedanta Desikan Annamalai University. Hon'ble Minister for Local Administration delivered the valedictory address and distributed the prizes and certificates for the winners of essay competitions for Government servants and College students.

Center for Consumer Studies ,IIPA, New Delhi & IIPA ,Puducherry Local branch held **the Silver Jubilee Celebration of 'Consumer Protection Act'** and two day workshop on "Consumer Protection and Consumer Welfare " on **30<sup>th</sup> Sept 2011** at Training hall at Planning and Research ,Puducherry. Mr. P.Mathew Samuel, Special Secretary, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs inaugurated the celebration. , Dr.S.Kanagasabai, Director, Planning and research felicitated. The program was conducted by Dr.Suresh Misra ,Chair Prof and Chairman for Consumer Studies ,IIPA, New Delhi. Sh. V.Narayanamy, Hon'ble Minister of State ,PM Office & Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensioner's Welfare kindly delivered the Valedictory function and fielded the impromptu interactive session with great aplomb with the participants drawn from various Govt. departments, Colleges and NGO's . Th R.Suresh Kumar, Senior Counsel for Central Government, Chennai gave the Special address on the occasion.

Center for ICT and E Governance ,IIPA, New Delhi and IIPA ,Puducherry branch conducted the One day workshop on "**Capacity building Imperative for National e-Governance Plan**" on **9<sup>th</sup> December 2011** at Hotel Mass , Puducherry . Th. T. Sreekant ,IAS, Secretary , Information and technology ,Govt of Puducherry inaugurated the workshop and delivered the keynote address. Prof Rakesh Gupta, Co ordinator,Center for Learning in ICT and e- Governance ,IIPA ,New Delhi ,Sh S.R.Das ,IIPA, New Delhi and Sh Sunil Dutt,IIPA ,New Delhi delivered special address.

In a first of its kind program Local Administration Department and Employment Exchange launched a **free training camp** for the rural youth of Puducherry region to create awareness for the selection exams including LDC of the Government of Puducherry. This task was entrusted to IIPA, Puducherry local Branch. The competitive exams which were largely a preserve a urban elite and to motivate the rural youth, the free coaching was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2012 at Ariankuppam Middle school for the benefit of candidates from Ariankuppam commune and was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Speaker of Legislative Assembly and felicitated by Hon'ble Minister for Local Adminsitration.

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**Dr.R.R.Dhanapall, Chairman, IIPA Puducherry Branch,  
Welcome and Introductory Address (24.03.2012) at Ariankuppam**



**200 LDC applicants from Ariankuppam Commune Panchayat at  
Ariankuppam on 24.03.2012.**



**Hon'ble Speaker Thiru. Sabapathy, Inaugural Address at  
Ariankuppam on 24.03.2012**



**Hon'ble Minister for Local Administration Department, Thiru.N.G.Pannirselvam, Special Address, and Felicited by Thiru.K.Vijayabalan, Commissioner, Ariankuppam Commune panchayat at Ariankuppam on 24.03.2012**



**Er.R.Narasimmamurthy, Treasurer, IIPA Puducherry Branch, Vote of Thanks at Ariankuppam on 24.03.2012.**



**LDC Exam (General English & History subject) Motivation Classes and Coaching by faculty at Ariankuppam on 24.03.2012.**



**LDC Model Examination at Ariankuppam Commune Panchayat for Rural Applicant at Ariankuppam on 24.03.2012.**

On 31<sup>st</sup> March free coaching was conducted for Nettapakkam Commune Panchayat in Embalam Government Smart Primay School and was inaugurated by Hon'ble Welfare Minister.



**Dr.R.R.Dhanapall, Chairman, IIPA Puducherry Branch, Welcome and Introductory Address (31.03.12) at Embalam, Nettapakkam Commune Panchayat**



**Felicitation by Hon'ble Minister for Welfare, Thiru. P.Rajavelu at Embalam, Nettapakkam Commune Panchayat on 31.03.2012**



**LDC Model Examination at Embalam, Nettapakkam Commune Panchayat for Rural Applicant on 31.03.2012.**

On 7<sup>th</sup> April free coaching was conducted for Bahour Commune Panchayat and was inaugurated by Hon'ble Electricity Minister.



**Dr.R.R.Dhanapall, Chairman, IIPA Puducherry Branch, Welcome and Introductory Address (07.04.12) at Bahour**



**Felicitation by Hon'ble Minister for Education, Thiru. T.Thiyagarajan at Bahour on 07.04.2012.**



**LDC Model Examination at Bahour, Bahour Commune Panchayat for Rural Applicant on 07.04.2012.**

On 14<sup>th</sup> April free coaching was conducted for Mannadipet Commune Panchayat in Perunthaliavar Kamaraj Government Arts College and was inaugurated by Respected Legislative Member and Chairman of PIPDIC Mr. Angalane.



**Welcome & Honour to the Chairman, PIPDIC Thiru.P.Angalane ,MLA at Mathagadipet, Mannadipet Commune Panchayat on 14.04.2012**





**LDC Model Examination at Mathagadipet, Mannadipet Commune Panchayat, for Rural Applicant on 14.04.2012.**

On 21<sup>st</sup> April free coaching was conducted for Villianur Commune Panchayat in Sri Lakshmi Narayana Institute of Medical Sciences, Oussudu and was felicitated by Hon'ble Welfare Minister and graced by Hon'ble LAD Minister and Chairman, Slum Clearance Board.



**Dr.R.R.Dhanapall, Chairman, IIPA Puducherry Branch, Presidential Address on 21.04.12 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**



**1000 LDC applicant model examination scheme (May 2012) Inaugurated and lightening the lamp by Thiru.G.N.Pannirselvam, Hon'ble Minister for Local Administration, on 21.04.2012 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**



**1000 LDC applicant model examination scheme (May 2012) Inaugurated and study material, Question Paper received by the applicant from Hon'ble Minister, Thiru.P.Rajavelu on 21.04.2012 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**



**Felicitation by Thiru.P.Karthikeyan, MLA & Chairman, Slum clearance Board, on 21.04.12 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**



**1000 LDC rural applicant free model exam Inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister, Thiru.N.G.Pannirselvam, on 21.04.12 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**



**Felicitation by Hon'ble Minister, Thiru.P.Rajavelu, on 21.04.12 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**



**Hon'ble Minister, Thiru.P.Rajavelu, released the booklet on Puducherry Commune Panchayats LDC rural applicant free coaching and examination. Received by Hon'ble Minister, Thiru.N.G.Pannirselvam and Commissioners of Commune Panchayats Puducherry, on 21.04.12 at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat**

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**LDC Participants from Villianur Commune Panchayat on 21.04.12 at Osudu**



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**LDC Model Examination at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat  
for Rural Applicant on 21.04.12**



**LDC Model Examination at Osudu, Villianur Commune Panchayat  
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Thus all rural areas of Puducherry was covered in this breakthrough program.

The Government of Puducherry proposed to conduct selection exam for the post of LDC. IIPA wanted to give the rural youth a glimpse of the **preparation** to be made **for the LDC exam**. The Local Administration department collaborated in taking the program to all the commune Panchayats in the region of Puducherry. On weekends two day orientation program was conducted at Ariankuppam, Bahour, Mannadipet, Nettapakkam and Villianur Panchayats by covering the various subjects of the exam and also by conducting a model test. The program was a first such effort in spreading awareness among rural youth and confidence building measure.

Renewable Energy Agency ,Puducherry initiated awareness program to propagate the benefits of renewable energy among various interest groups in Puducherry. This was entrusted to Indian Institute of Public Administration, Puducherry local branch.

Towards this end three seminars were held for the different target groups in the seminar hall of Planning and Research Department, Puducherry. On **31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2012** the first meeting was held for the self help groups and there was wide participation from various groups inspite of the day

being auspicious day requiring domestic preoccupation. The resource persons were Dr Vedanta Desigan , and Dr \_\_\_\_\_ of Department of Commerce, Annamalai University.

The presidential address was rendered by Dr Sugathan who detailed various types of non conventional energy. This was followed by valuable inputs by the resource persons who also explained the current position of power needs and production in UT of Puducherry to bring home the precarious nature of this essential service. The potential of Solar energy was dwelt upon in particular given the abundance of sun rays especially in peninsular India. The Resource persons assured that even on cloudy days power can be tapped by the sun's warmth. The great strides made in the recent past in the availability of storage devices was also explained .

The planning officer of the REAP explained in detail the various schemes of the REAP and the features and subsidy of the various products prompted by REAP.

This was followed by one day meetings **on 4<sup>th</sup> ,5<sup>th</sup> Sept** at the same venue. On 4<sup>th</sup> Sept the participants were drawn from the students of many colleges. The resource persons delivered their valuable information tailored to the different type of the audiences. The students and faculty were initially skeptical about the course content , expressed their happiness about the contemporariness and the current need of energy devices and their impact in daily lives.

Not content with this IIPA arranged a third seminar, this time focused on District Administration with emphasis on BDO's and Engineers from LAD and Municipalities. The implementing agencies had an active interaction and were convinced about the increase in need of such alternate sources of energy.

Members of IIPA including Sh Asokan Vice President and Sh Narasimmamurthy ,Treasurer attended the deliberations.