

## Indian Plumbing Skills Council Activity Report November, 2016

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### NSDC Training Partners' Meet

NSDC had organised a Partners' Meet on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at AICTE Auditorium, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi. This event was the largest gathering of training organizations, sector skill councils, and other key stakeholders in the skills space. Senior officials from the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship including from DGT, NSDC and NSDA were invited to these two-day deliberations. Maj Gen TK Chadha and Mr Varun Tandon represented IPSC in the forum on both days along with Ms Neelam Barthwal on the second day.



The event was very informative and had excellent networking opportunities as well. We were able to establish contacts with several agencies, advised we are open to expanding our training partner presence in North-eastern regions, Gujarat, Kerala, Karnataka and Uttarakhand. We spoke to Dr Suman Dhawan from Directorate of Training and Technical Education-New Delhi, who has shown keen interest in working with IPSC. They are currently running a course in Gas Plumbing as well (the same shall be pursued in the near future).

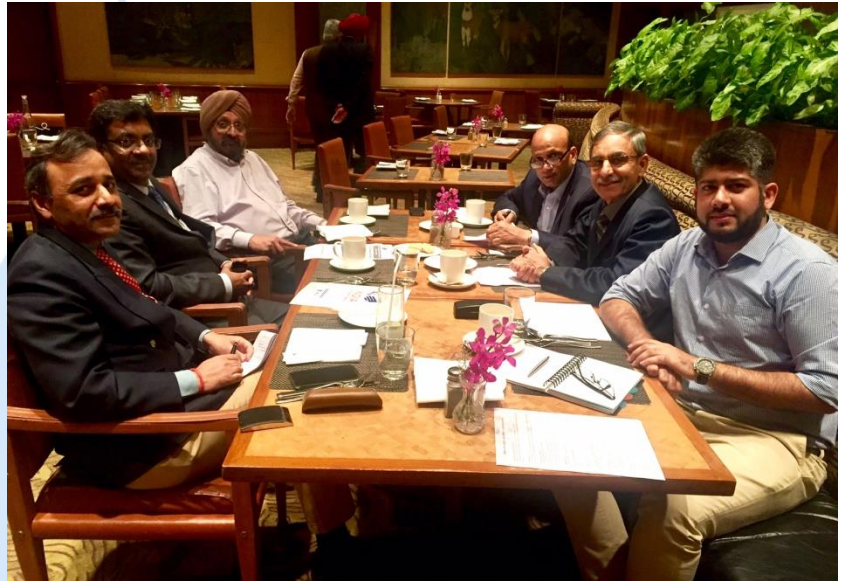
Hon'ble Minister Rudy graced the event on Day 2, and in his speech, referred to **Plumbing trade** and how we should make the eco-system clear and easier for a candidate to study from the basics and have career progression to Plumbing Engineer and subsequently, PhD in Plumbing as well.



**15<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**Meeting with CEO NSDC at Taj Mansingh**

On 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016, a meeting was held at Taj Mansingh. IPSC was invited to meet the CEO of NSDC Mr Manish Kumar and Col Ajay Kumar Jindal. This meeting was conducted to discuss various topics related to the Plumbing sector skill council. IPSC was represented by Vice-Chairman Mr Vinay Gupta, Maj Gen TK Chadha (retd) and Mr Varun Tandon. Also accompanying IPSC was Mr Baljit Sobti, Director of Systems Tel Pvt Ltd. Topics of discussion included Plumber Konnect mobile application and the support IPSC can get from NSDC and ministry. Mr Manish Kumar has suggested as per the instruction of Hon'ble Minister Shri Rajiv Pratap Rudy that the mobile App be launched under the ministry's banner. To promote self-employment of plumbing workforce through this app, the plumbers must be equipped with all the tools and funding may be provided by NSDC for the same. Other points discussed were



World Skill Competition, PMLVY allotments for Plumbing trade. Further a meeting was planned the next day with Col AK Jindal at NSDC which was attended by Maj Gen TK Chadha (retd) and Mr Varun Tandon and points discussed included accreditation of training centres, books in regional languages, PMKK centres, Centres of Excellence etc.

**25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**Indian Plumbing Conference, Kolkata**

Indian Plumbing Association hosted the 22<sup>nd</sup> Indian Plumbing Conference in Kolkata and Indian Plumbing Skills Council was invited for the same. A stall was also provided for these 2 days to advocate the IPSC's vision. Mr Jyotirmoy Debnath and Mr Varun Tandon managed the stall and also discussed the Memberships of Indian Plumbing Skills Forum (IPSF). The IPSC team was supported by the governing body members present at the event. Discussions took place with several organisations regarding the RPL and trainings being conducted by IPSC. The IPSC film was also showcased before the panel





discussion on Skilling on the 26<sup>th</sup> November. Since then, several applications have been received from organisations, wanting to become members of the forum. The brand mileage that IPSC got from the event was immense.



## 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### Vishwakarma Award to IPSC's Chairman Mr R K Somany

Mr RK Somany was awarded the Vishwakarma Award on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016 during the Indian Plumbing Conference held at Kolkata. The award was presented to him by the President of IPA, Mr Gurmit Singh Arora. The award was presented to Mr RK Somany for his passion and dedication towards the Plumbing Sector.



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