

# Inauguration of NPC's Official Website

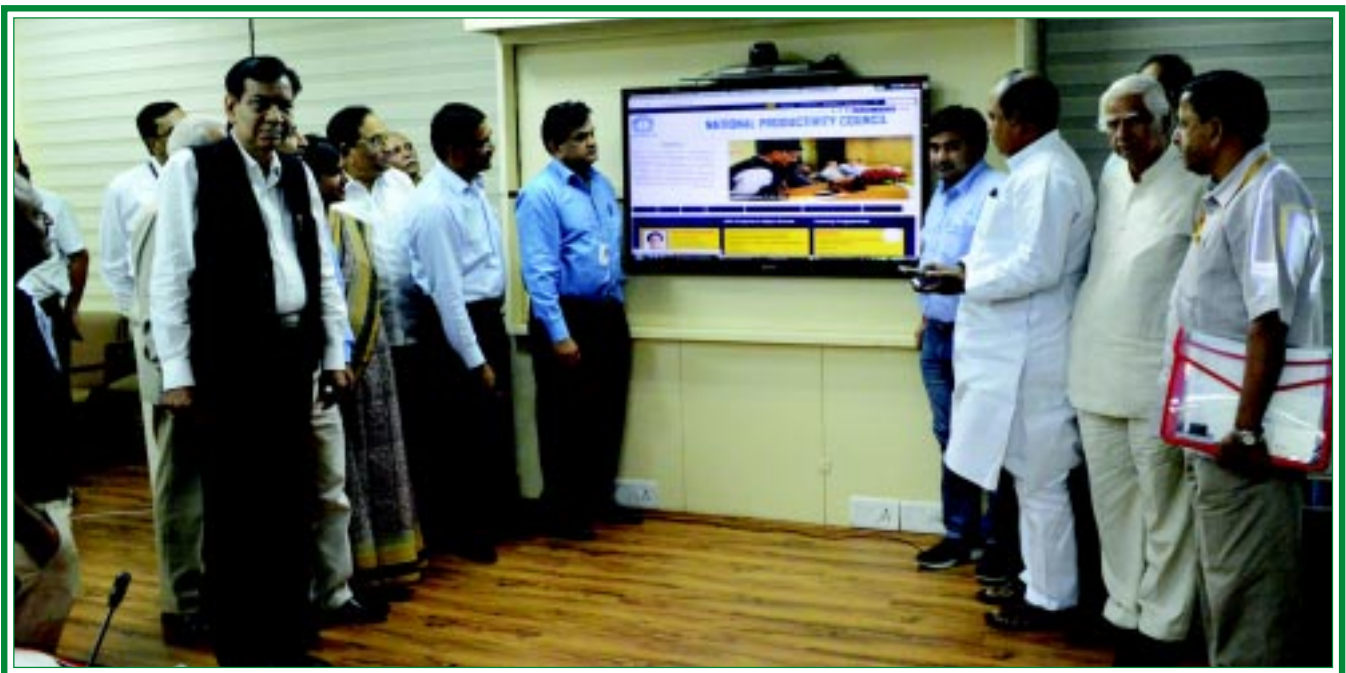
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**Sh. Amitabh Kant, Secretary (IPP) & Chairman, NPC**

**N**PC's 108th Governing Body meeting was held at NPC HQ Conference Hall on August 7th, 2014. The meeting was chaired by Sh. Amitabh Kant, Secretary (IPP) & Chairman, NPC who was welcomed & received by Sh. Harbhajan Singh, Director General, NPC. Attendees also included NPC GB Members, Senior Officials from DIPP (AS& FA, JS and Directors) as well as the respective Group Heads from NPC. Amongst other agendas discussed, Sh. Harbhajan Singh briefed the Hon'ble Chairman about the performance report of NPC till date this year. A Lucid presentation and addressal were also made upon the same by Sh. Siddharth Sharma, GH (HRM,IT,PA) and Sh. D. K. Saini, DD (HR). NPC's performance report was widely applauded by all attendees and specially appreciated by the Chairman, who recognised the visionary & diligent efforts made by DG for NPC's turnaround.



He assured all support and impetus from DIPP for paving up the way ahead for positioning NPC as a Global 'Thought Leader' and 'Think Tank' for Govt of





India, an idea deliberated upon by DG and AS&FA.

Chairman also inaugurated the NPC's official website and e-Granthalaya software implemented at NPC Library. The task of redesigning and hosting of website was completed, with vigor & assiduousness, by Sh. Nitin Aggrawal, Sh. Nikhil Panchbhai, Smt. Usha Singh and Sh. Santosh from the IT Group.

NPC's website was originally designed approximately a decade back as a static website (There are three types of websites: STATIC, DYNAMIC AND ACTIVE). It means that the data/information was static/ fixed and was not real time updated automatically. Also the NPC's website was in English Language only, and not Bi-lingual, without any Content Management System (CMS) or Database support of any kind. The website was being hosted on an open In-House Server which had only a primitive security system.

Sh. Siddharth Sharma, GH (HRM,IT,PA) explained the salient features of the new website, which has the following improvements:

- A completely new and user friendly Interface with appropriately included metadata for each page, right in the source code.
- Multi-lingual versions of the website; currently Bi-lingual (Hindi and English-under construction)

complying with the Govt. of India Guidelines.

- A responsive website (i.e. easily viewable in all font sizes) and the electronic page prints correctly on normal A4 size paper.

- A contact us form connected with the database for user connectivity directly, instead through e-mails.

- The website works in all major browsers as well as operating systems.

- A copyright policy of the website is prominently displayed on the footer. The website also has a privacy policy, comprehensive

Terms and Conditions Statement, as well as the Association to Government is explicitly displayed by using Emblems/Logos.

- All functionality of the website is operable both by Mouse as well as keyboard.
- Website has a "Help Section", "Link/Search", and "Skip to Content" facilitations as well as an up to date "Sitemap" for easing user navigation.
- Website also has a "Visitor's Counter" for real time in-house monitoring of the Website Access Traffic Volume for Dynamic adjustment and redirections of traffic.
- Website also has an envisaged Content Management System (CMS) with Database support for evolving a CMS system in future. Presently the skeleton structure of the CMS is ready and the populating of updated data is in process by the NPC's IT Group staff.
- In addition to this, the NPC website hosting has been relocated to National Informatics Center (NIC) Servers in compliance to Government of India's guidelines and also improving security and traffic volume handling abilities.

