

Karmayogi Saptah and Mission Karmayogi

Transforming India's Civil Services for a Viksit Bharat

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In a landmark initiative to modernize India's civil services, **Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the "Karmayogi Saptah" – National Learning Week** at Dr. Ambedkar International Centre in New Delhi on 19 October 2024. It is an initiative to inspire and energize civil servants towards achieving a culture of continuous learning and capacity building, and will serve as a platform to realign our national service goals. The week-long program aims to foster a **'One Government'** vision by instilling a commitment to lifelong learning and self-improvement for over **30 lakh central civil servants**.



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Karmayogi Saptah: A Commitment to Lifelong Learning

The week-long Karmayogi Saptah, running from **October 19 to 25, 2024**, and now extended to **27 October 2024**, is envisioned as an annual celebration of continuous learning for civil servants. The main objectives of National Learning Week are:

- ❖ Align civil servants with national goals and service missions
- ❖ Encourage continuous capacity-building across ministries and sectors
- ❖ Build a cohesive learning ecosystem with active participation and reflection

As part of this initiative, Every participant in the Karmayogi Saptah will commit to a **minimum of 4 hours of competency-linked learning** over the National Learning Week. This learning will be through various forms, such as:

- ❖ iGOT courses: Completing recommended courses on the iGOT platform
- **❖ Daily webinars:** Insightful lectures and policy masterclasses
- ❖ MDO-specific programmes: Engaging in Ministrywise learning sessions through iGOT and internal seminars.

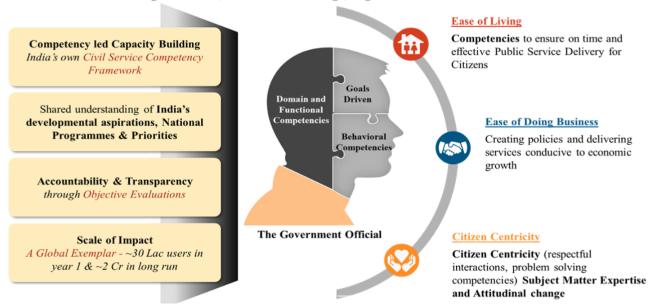
The learning objectives align with the broader goals of Mission Karmayogi, reinforcing the **Chaar Sankalp of a Karmayogi: Vikasa, Garva, Kartavya and Ekata.** Each civil servant is encouraged to select courses tailored to their responsibilities, whether from mandatory learning lists, role-specific training, ministry-endorsed options, or self-selected courses to enhance their personal skills and contributions.

Mission Karmayogi: Building Competency for National Development

Mission Karmayogi's objective is to develop and maintain a comprehensive online platform to guide civil service officials in their competency-based capacity building journey by enabling online, face-to-face, and blended learning, facilitating discussions through topical forums, managing career paths, and enabling reliable assessments that credibly signal competencies of officials

Mission Karmayogi – Build Future Ready Civil Service

- with right Attitude, Skills and Knowledge, aligned to the Vision of New India



The mission attempts to transform Indian civil services capacity building landscape by establishing a robust digital ecosystem enabling continuous anytime-anywhere learning to make the officials future ready

Need For The Reform

Civil Servants play a vital role in formulating policy and executing delivery at the cutting edge. However, the current civil services capacity building landscape was marred with the following challenges

- Existing training policy interventions were sporadic and largely confined to individual and intermittent innovations
- Stereotyped working in silos or compartments, rather than an overall unifying vision and understanding of national priorities
- ❖ Lack of a lifelong and continuous learning environment for all civil servants
- ❖ Barriers to exchange of knowledge preventing collaborative working



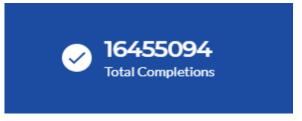
The mission supports a movement from a **RULES-BASED** to a **ROLES-BASED** HR Management System. Raison d'etre of the Mission is assignment of **right person for the right role at the right time**.

iGOT Platform: The Digital Backbone of Mission Karmayogi

At the core of Mission Karmayogi lies the iGOT (Integrated Government Online Training) platform, which provides an online repository of over 1,400 courses across varied topics. With more than 45 lakh government employees already registered and over 1.6 crore course completed till date, iGOT is transforming the way civil servants in India acquire skills and knowledge. Through online, face-to-face, and blended learning formats, iGOT helps track each employee's learning journey, paving the way for a structured competency framework.







Courses on the iGOT platform are categorized to ensure relevance and depth in training:

- ❖ Common Recommended Courses: General courses such as "Viksit Bharat" and "Jan Bhagidari" designed for all civil servants.
- ❖ Role-Based Learning: Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) curate courses specific to job roles, focusing on the development of key competencies.
- ❖ Ministry-Recommended Courses: Each ministry outlines essential courses based on its Annual Capacity Building Plan (ACBP).
- ❖ Self-Selected Courses: Officers can choose topics based on personal interests and goals for further contribution.

A Vision for the Future

Mission Karmayogi and Karmayogi Saptah represent India's dedication to fostering a government workforce capable of driving transformative national progress. With a focus on aligning civil servants with national development priorities, enabling lifelong learning, and promoting a citizen-centered approach, these initiatives lay the groundwork for a future-ready civil service. The structured and sustainable learning ecosystem provided by Mission Karmayogi will enhance the effectiveness and responsiveness of India's government, steering the nation towards a "Viksit Bharat" by 2047.

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