



Ms P N Vasanti was a presenter on Workshop: **User Satisfaction Survey of City Bus Services** organised by MDRA



Film Screenings Organised by CMS VATAVARAN in collaboration with India Habitat World

Events Attended

Ms P N Vasanti hosted a workshop organized by MDRA on June 28, 2014, at the India Habitat Centre, New Delhi, to share & discuss the findings of **User Satisfaction Survey of City Bus Services**, which was conducted under the aegis of The World Bank in 12 cities and funded by Australian Aid.

Ms Priya Verma Talwar attended a Workshop on **'National Biodiversity Targets'** on June 26-27, 2014, at the India International Centre (IIC) Annexe, New Delhi.

Ms P N Vasanti attended **17th meeting of the Indian National Committee for the IUCN** on June 27, 2014, at the India International Centre (IIC) Annexe, New Delhi.

Mr Alok Srivastava took a session on **Qualitative Research and Use of QSR N Vivo software for Data Analysis**, during a training workshop organized by VVG National Labour Institute, Gol, on June 21, 2014.

Ms Priya Verma Talwar and Mr Sundeep C Srivastav attended **'Think, Eat, Save'**, an event organized by **MoEF – Ministry of Environment and Forests**, on the occasion of The World Environment Day, at The Ashoka Hotel, on June 05, 2014. During this celebration, CMS VATAVARAN's 2009 award winning film **"The Final Tide"** by Mr. Vikram Mishra was also screened. This film won the **Best Climate Change Award** in 2009 in the Indian Category.

Ms Indira Akoijam attended the **Business World Higher Education Summit** on May 30, 2014, held at Hyatt Regency, New Delhi.



Ms Deepmala Dutta and Ms Garima Tiwari attended a one-day **Gender Audit** organised by the Centre for Equity and Inclusion (CEQUIN), in Mewat, on May 16, 2014.

Ms Chetali Kapoor attended a seminar on **Role of Corporates in Road Safety** at the India International Centre, New Delhi, on May 15, 2014.

New/ Ongoing Studies & Projects

Disney Friends for Change: Conserving Green Spaces 2014-15

The Call for Proposals under the **'Disney Friends for Change: Conserving Green Spaces 2014-15'** ended on 12 June, 2014. The project received a good response, with 28 schools from Delhi & NCR submitting their final project proposals, after two preliminary rounds of feedback from the CMS team.

A meeting of the Selection Committee was held on 27 June, 2014, which comprised of 7 members, including technical experts, representatives from Disney India & CMS. The committee reviewed all the 28 applications during the day-long meeting and shortlisted 15 schools.

These 15 schools will be called for a project presentation at CMS, presided by the Selection Committee on 16-17 July, 2014. From the 15 schools, the Committee will select 10 schools, which will receive a grant of upto Rs 5 lakh each, for carrying out the proposed activities in their nearby identified parks during August-November 2014.

UNICEF INTEGRATED MONITORING & EVALUATION FRAMEWORK FOR A&C PROGRAMME: A monitoring and evaluation framework (M&E) has been developed for UNICEF India's Advocacy & Communications Programme with the aim of achieving prioritized advocacy and communication goals by gaining strategic insight on strategies employed throughout the new country programme. The primary goal of the M&E Framework for A&C is to ensure that the A&C team is duly equipped with a dynamic mechanism that will enable them to systematically and scientifically capture results so that focus can be sharpened and strategies revised in order to ensure impact from advocacy and communication efforts. Data for the studies involved is gathered from 11 states.

Baseline Study in Mewat for CEQUIN: The Centre for Equity and Inclusion (CEQUIN) is a non-profit organisation working towards the empowerment of marginalised and excluded sections of the population. Its focus is on women in particular. CEQUIN wants to conduct a baseline in Mewat to understand the knowledge attitude and practices related to gender roles and perceptions, public participation of women, mobility, rights, reproductive health, gender violence (domestic and public places) among men and women across the socio economic sections and to provide a fact sheet for measuring the impact of the intervention at a later stage.

UNICEF Formative study to understand perceptions of parents and community-based structures regarding rights and entitlements & redress systems within the RTE Act as well as the motivations/triggers for seeking redress: The purpose of this formative study is to understand 1) knowledge and perceptions among parents and community members regarding entitlements for children within RTE and the redress mechanisms and 2) barriers, motivations/triggers for community members and parents to seek redress. The study is carried out in 6 states.



The CMS Social team conducted Regular Monitoring of Rural Development Programmes during 2014-15, Phase-I in four districts (Azamgarh, Balia, Mau and Sultanpur) of Uttar Pradesh for the Ministry of Rural Development (Govt. of India).

The team also carried out a study, 'Evaluation of a multipronged intervention to improve access to safe abortion care,' in selected districts of Madhya Pradesh, as part of a follow-up survey.

Events Organized by CMS

Film Screenings organized by CMS VATAVARAN in collaboration with Habitat World

Screenings start rolling in the city's schools from May 07, 2014

CMS VATAVARAN organized 2 screenings of the award winning film **'Tiger Dynasty'** on May 07, 2014, at Bhatnagar International School, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi. This film, directed by Mr. S Nallamuthu, won the Technical and creative Excellence Best Cinematography Award and Biodiversity Award in the Indian Category during the 7th CMS VATAVARAN, 2014.



Curtain raiser Screenings of Award winning Films during CMS VATAVARAN 2014 at India Habitat Centre on May 20, 2014

- CMS VATAVARAN organized screenings of 2 award winning films **'Timbaktu'** (directed by Ms Rintu Thomas and Sushmit Ghosh) and **'Chilka – Jewel of Odisha'** (directed by Mr Shekar Dattatri) on May 21, 2014, at Gulmohar Hall, IHC, Lodhi Road, New Delhi from 07:00 pm onwards.

Around 100 members witnessed the screenings. Filmmaker Ms Rintu Thomas was present for the Q & A sessions.

- 'Timbaktu'** won the Climate Change & Sustainable Technologies Award, while **'Chilka – Jewel of Odisha'** won the Biodiversity Award in the Indian Category in the 7th CMS VATAVARAN, 2014.

- CMS VATAVARAN screened its 2014 Award winning Film **'Dammed'** at the India Habitat Centre on May 30, 2014.

Directed by Shri Nandan Saxena and Ms Kavita Bahi, this film won the Water for All Award in the Indian Section.

Documentary film enthusiasts were present to view the film and also for the Question Answer sessions with the filmmakers of **'Dammed'**.

- Film **'Saving the Ganga'** opens to a full house at IHC, Lodhi Road, New Delhi on June 4, 2014

The award-winning film **'Saving the Ganga'** (directed by Ms Bahar Dutt) ran to a packed house at Casurina Hall, IHC, Lodhi Road, New Delhi. This film bagged the Series awards based on Environment and Wildlife, in the 7th CMS VATAVARAN - 2014 competitive edition.

Book/ Paper/ Article Published

- N Bhaskara Rao: Giving up without a fight: **Congress' weakest ever campaign paved way for an easy victory for BJP** on Mydigitalfc.com (www.mydigitalfc.com/news/bn-bhaskara-raob-giving-without-fight-167)
- Mr Alok Srivastava's article on **Independent Audit of Implementation of Citizens'/Clients' Charter (CCC)** published in Performance Matters, a newsletter published by Performance Management Division, Cabinet Secretariat, GoI (<http://performance.gov.in/?q=newsletter-march-2014>)

Guests

Dr Ajay Mishra, Managing Partner, ExaLotus Consulting Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon

Ms Ria Vaidya/ Jyotika Ahuja, Disney India, Mumbai.

Goodbye

Ms. Romiya Das, Executive, CMS – Knowledge Management, June 2014

Mr. Ashwani Kumar Sinha, Head Advocacy & Partnership, CMS- Advocacy, May 2014

Mr. Sanjay Singh Negi, Festival Executive, CMS- VATAVARAN, May 2014



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