



Central Public Works Department

(169 Years of CPWD's dedicated service to the Nation)

Press Release

To commemorate the 169th anniversary of Central Public Works Department, a function was organized in Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 12th July 2023.

Shri Kaushal Kishore, Hon'ble Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs was the 'Chief Guest' and Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs graced the function as 'Guest of Honour'. Shri Rajesh Kumar Kaushal, Director General, CPWD and Shri Ranjit Singh, Special Director General, CPWD along with other dignitaries, officers and staff of CPWD from across the country participated in the function.

A short film depicting the glorious history and achievements of CPWD was shown during the function. Ten technical publications of CPWD, eleven e-NIRMIT ERP Modules, new CPWD website, a coffee table book on 'Architectural Marvels of Southern India, CPWD Telephone Directory and Nirman Bharati – in house annual publication of CPWD were also launched by the dignitaries. CPWD Medals, Commendation Certificate for the best performers and best projects were conferred by the Chief Guest and Guest of Honour.

Hon'ble Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs congratulated entire CPWD fraternity on the 169th Annual Day and complimented Shri Rajesh Kumar Kaushal, Director General for steering CPWD in the right direction of swift progress and growth. Hon'ble MoS applauded CPWD for the healthy workload growth. Highlighting its success & marvellous work, he gave the example of the Afghan Parliament constructed by CPWD as well as other oversea projects being executed by CPWD in Nepal and Bhutan. He stated that CPWD has demonstrated unprecedented performance in its functioning. He desired CPWD to participate actively and contribute in building a New India to fulfil the vision of the Hon'ble Prime Minister. CPWD as a technical department must focus on areas where innovation and modernization in the infrastructure sector are required for accelerated economic development.

Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs congratulated CPWD on 169th Annual Day. Highlighting the successful journey of the premier construction agency, he stated that its transformation in the last decade is remarkable. He also suggested a few improvements in the field of capacity building, implementation of ERP, adoption of new technologies etc and wished that the department strives for greater heights.

Shri Rajesh Kumar Kaushal, Director General, CPWD stated that with the rock-solid support and guidance of our Ministry, CPWD has proactively moved towards the path of transformation, innovation, delivery and image building of the Department. He stated that achievements and activities of CPWD have been significant in terms of human resource management, speedier and quality construction, adoption of new technologies, completion of projects on time with quality and economy, adding new clients, signing new MoUs, implementing new policy initiatives for the growth of Department. He counted various achievements of the department.

On the eve of CPWD Day, a Technical Session was also held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on July 11, 2023. Shri Manoj Joshi, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs graced the function as the Chief Guest. During the Technical Session various Technical Presentations were made by CPWD officers as well as experts from the Construction Industry.

A Cultural programme as a part of CPWD Annual Day celebration was also organized by the CPWD Officers Wives Association at Manekshaw Auditorium, Zoravar Hall, Delhi Cantonment on 11.7.2023. Shri Hans Raj Hans, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha graced the function as the Chief Guest.