



CAB News

The College conducted 28 programmes for 822 participants during the quarter April-June 2007. Important events, programmes, and developments that took place during the quarter are highlighted below:

EVENTS

Meeting of the College Advisory Committee

The 44th Meeting of the College Advisory Committee (CAC) chaired by Smt. Usha Thorat, Deputy Governor, was held on May 5, 2007. The CAC took stock of the current activities of the College and deliberated on its future agenda. Shri V.S.Das, Executive Director (Vice Chairperson) Dr. K.C.Chakrabarty, CMD, Indian Bank, Dr. Nachiket Mor, ICICI Bank, Prof.M.S.Sriram, IIM, Ahmedabad, among others, attended the meeting as members of the Committee.

International Programmes / Workshop

CAB hosted the **Workshop on the Use of Surveys by Central Banks** in collaboration

with SEACEN Centre and Irving Fisher Committee (IFC). 27 officials from 13 Central Banks and resource persons from another 6 Central Banks participated in the workshop.

The College conducted an **International Exposure Programme on Microfinance in South Africa and Brazil** for senior executives from Banks, Financial Institutions, MFIs, NGOs in collaboration with National Credit Regulator, South Africa and PlaNet Finance, Brazil for first hand experience of the Microfinance sector in South Africa and Brazil including Banking Correspondents system.

The College held a **Conference of HR heads of the Commercial Banks**. Yes Bank, Bank of America and, ICICI Bank showcased their HR practices, especially in the area of training, grooming and capacity building.

A **Workshop for the Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of UCBs** was conducted to familiarise the CEOs with the latest changes in the policy

environment as well as the regulatory and supervisory requirements, and provide them a forum to interact among themselves and the regulators. Shri N.S. Vishwanathan, Chief General Manager-in-charge, Urban Banks Department interacted with the participants and answered their queries.

Two faculty members from CAB were deputed to **Colombo** to conduct a **Programme on Microfinance** for the officers of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka and commercial banks.

CUSTOMISED PROGRAMMES

At the request of Dena Bank, a customized **Programme on Rural Financing** for the newly recruited officers of the bank was conducted by the College. The programme focused on appraisal techniques in project financing, microfinance, risk mitigation in agricultural financing and financing of agri-processing units besides structured field visits.

A **Seminar on Liquidity for the Urban Cooperative Banks** was held by the College to enhance the understanding of the Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs) of various avenues available for liquidity support and to help them to effectively manage their investments in Government Securities. 43 senior officers/directors from the UCBs participated in the programme.

COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMMES

In collaboration with the ISACA, Pune Chapter, a **Programme on IT System Security & Audit** was conducted by the College for 30 officials from the commercial banks, UCBs, RRBs and Financial Institutions. The programme focused on IT-related security and other types of risks, their management and exposing the participants to various skills related to different techniques and procedures followed in IS Audit.

The **10th Program on Human Development and State Finances** was conducted in collaboration with UNDP and the Planning Commission. Shri Ratnakar Mahajan, Executive Chairman, Maharashtra State Planning Board, was the

keynote speaker. Dr. Rajanikant Arole, recipient of Padma Bhushan and Ramon Magasaysay Award for low cost community health also addressed the participants, who were drawn from various central and state government departments.

An **Exposure Programme on Microfinance** was conducted in collaboration with AP Mahila Abhivrudhi Society (APMAS) at the ASCI campus in Hyderabad. The programme was sponsored by NABARD. The main focus was on the long-term sustainability of the SHG-Bank Linkage programmes.

A **National-Seminar in Hindi on SMEs: Problems and Possibilities** was organized, in collaboration with Punjab National Bank, at Delhi. The seminar, held under the auspices of 'Co-ordination Committee on Training in Hindi' (CCTH) was very well-attended.

ISO Consultant for CAB

The College has appointed a consultant for the ISO certification work so as to put in place proper quality management systems in our academic activities. ISO certification would go a long way in achieving our vision 'to be a premier centre of excellence for capacity building in developmental banking in general and rural and cooperative banking in particular'

Governor Visits CAB

Dr. Y.V.Reddy, Governor, Reserve Bank of India visited the College on June 29, 2007 and delivered the valedictory address at the Workshop on the Use of Surveys by Central Banks, besides addressing the members of the staff.

Change of Guard at CAB

Shri Sandip Ghose who until recently headed the Human Resources Development Department in the Reserve Bank, Central Office, Mumbai took over as Chief General Manager and Principal of the College vice Shri H.R. Khan who was transferred to New Delhi as Regional Director.