



IIPA organised its sixty-eight Annual Meeting of the General Body

The sixty-eight Annual Meeting of the General Body of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) was held on October 31, 2022 at the T.N.C Memorial Hall of the Institute. The event was graced with the presence of Hon'ble Vice President of India and President IIPA, Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar. It also marked the first visit of the Hon'ble Vice President to IIPA after assuming office. Reflecting on the achievements of IIPA over the year, the Hon'ble Vice President of India said that 'Mission Karmayogi enables an ecosystem that allows every individual in the government to exploit his/her potential. IIPA with its enormous potential has to catalyze that change'. The Vice President also called upon civil servants to take the lead in making India a developed nation during the 'Amrit Kaal' over the next 25 years. He suggested that they go by the spirit of the Prime Minister's principle of "Minimum Government - Maximum Governance", observing that 'it is not a mere slogan, but the need of the hour'. He also observed that the Prime Minister's exhortation of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas' encapsulates the Indian civilisational ethos and the vision of the Indian constitution makers. He called upon the bureaucracy to make the vision a reality and work towards taking the government's developmental vision to the last individual.

The Hon'ble Union Minister and Chairman IIPA Executive Council, Dr. Jitendra Singh also graced the event. During his address, he apprised the Hon'ble Vice-President that IIPA is not only imparting training to the 'Selected Civil Servants' but also to 'Elected People's Representatives'. The Minister informed that IIPA is contributing to the field of Capacity Building very pro-actively, and during the pandemic, it was able to conduct more than 100 offline and online training programs and quickly transformed itself into a powerhouse of Digital Training, prepared digital infrastructure as well as digital contents. He also mentioned as to how IIPA had become an important partner in this Mission Karmayogi Prorgamme extending whole-hearted support in the form of online courses on iGOT, workshops and conferences. Dr Jitendra Singh said, under the active guidance of our energetic Vice President, the challenge before IIPA is to build capacities of public Representatives to transform them into future ready Karmayogis. He added, his dream is to make IIPA a Rainforest of thoughts where wild ideas from citizens, even from space technology are allowed to bloom under the academic guidance of our learned faculty. IIPA @ 2047 should be a proud global Institution promoting Indian ideas of management, economic thought and cultural thought. IIPA should prepare the young generation into a model bureaucracy of tomorrow catering to the needs of the Citizens as Citizen-centricity is the core of Minimum Government, Maximum Governance, the Minister added.■

— **Amitabh Ranjan**