

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the SIG on eGovernance conducted on 14 February, 2007 at NISG, Hyderabad**

The following Professionals attended:

Prof M P Gupta IIT Delhi; Prof ML Saikumar IPE; Maj Gen Dr RK Bagga IIIT Hyderabad; Dr. Ghanta Subbarao CEO IEG; Mr. Piyush Gupta GM NISG; Mr. K Sriram MD Vasol Tooling (P) Ltd; Mr J Satyanarayana CEO NISG; Mr. Amarnath Rao Chairman CSI Hyderabad chapter; Dr. V P Gulati TCS; Mr. Anil Pannikar Consultant; Prof Venkatramana Dean SMS University of Hyderabad; Mr. Pranav Kumar Student IIITH ; Mr. V N Gupta Student JNTU and Dr. Ashok Agarwal Convener CSI-SIGeGov

1.0 Dr. Ashok Agarwal Convener of CSI-SIGeGov gave a brief background about Computer Society of India and formation of the Special Interest group on e-Governance. He shared the envisaged role of the group and requested suggestions and recommendations to arrive at the scope of CSI-SIGeGov and activity Plan for the year 2007.

2.0 A very lively discussions took place where each professional present shared their vision and recommendations towards the activity of the Group.

3.0 Some of the emerging points were:

- What is the purpose and the goal of this group? There is a need to have clear definition of the goal for the group to work on.
- How to ensure avoidance of duplication of work being done at different institutions? Some cited examples were; Multiple awards in e-Governance being given!!!  
Multiple conferences on the same theme!!
- How strong are the CSI structures and what activities can be planned and delivered by this group being voluntary in nature.

4.0 Based on discussions held, the emerging summary of recommendations for the Scope and activities of CSI-SIGeGov are as given below:

4.1 Encourage and promote R & D activities in e-Governance through research based conferences. Through these conferences good quality literature needs to be generated.

4.2 Focus of User group and Citizen Centricity aspects and make efforts to bring users and intellectuals together and influence the relevant policy.

4.3 Create Knowledge base at global level.

- Create Repository of information of e-Governance activities, for on going projects at State and Central level.
  - Publish white papers in selected areas and share the knowledge with all concerned. This aspects need to slowly gain credibility and become a reference point for all stake holders in this area.
- 4.4 Help in attracting talent from top academic institutions towards e-Governance activity through interventions by making effective presentations in these institutions. Student branches of CSI also can be tapped and effectively used towards this objective.
- 4.5 Efforts must be made to design and offer courses in e-Governance in Technology and Management Institutions.
- 4.6 Support CSI Nihilent e-Governance Awards:
- Create Data bases of all individuals, institutions, Government departments and district level officers and ensure regular update of the same.
  - Upgrade the evaluation framework for awards and make it more and more objective and transparent.
- 4.7 Develop case studies for few successful projects to share the strategy adopted vis a vis Technology, Processes and People.

## 5.0 ICEG 2007

- 5.1 Organization of ICEG 2007 along December 28- 30, 2007 was approved. A formal MOU between ICEG and CIS-SIGeGov was signed by Prof M.P.Gupta IIT Delhi & Dr. Ashok Agarwal convener CSI-SOGeGov.
- 5.2 It was recommended that following alternative venues may be considered.
- School of Management Studies University of Hyderabad.
  - MCR HRD Institute Government of AP.
- 5.3 Alternate themes suggested were “e-Governance Next phase” and “e- Governance Reach out”
- 6.0 The meeting ended with thanks to J. SatyaNarayana CEO NISG and Mr. Piyush Gupta M, NISG for hosting the meeting at NISG and all the professionals who spared their time to attend the meeting.