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ISTM NEWS

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From the Desk of Director, ISTM

I am delighted to present the latest edition of the ISTM Quarterly Newsletter for April to Jun 2026, showcasing significant activities and achievements.

This quarter marked ISTM's celebration of the Annual Day on 05th May, 2026, featuring a vibrant cultural programme presented by the faculty members and participants. The event was organised in the august presence of Ms Rachna Shah, Secretary (P), and Ms Chhavi Bhardwaj, Joint Secretary (Training), who added distinction and significance to this landmark occasion.

The quarter was further enriched by the organisation of the International Day of Yoga, Sports Meets, Cultural Programmes, Blood Donation Camps, and Rajbhasha Workshop. ISTM also conducted various Foundation Training Programmes, study tours, and exposure visits for the probationers during the quarter.

I thank all the contributors for their efforts, and encourage readers to share their suggestions to enhance future editions.

NEWSLETTER HIGHLIGHTS



Story inside- Visit of Secretary (P) as chief guest during the Annual Day Celebration

From the Director
ENKINDLE
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YEARNING



ENKINDLE

We are pleased to present the April to June 2026 edition of the ISTM Quarterly Newsletter, chronicling the significant events and initiatives undertaken during this vibrant quarter. The newsletter is structured into four sections for the ease of our readers:

- Message from the Director, ISTM.
- ENKINDLE: An overview of ISTM's activities.
- TRAILBLAZE: Highlights of major events.
- YEARNING: A platform for creative ideas from ISTM faculty, staff, and trainees.

The diversity of training programmes conducted—ranging from cadre-specific courses to organisation-specific and thematic workshops—underscored ISTM's role as a premier capacity-building institute. Each activity was a testament to the dedication of our faculty, staff, and trainees, and to our mission of fostering excellence in public service.

The important events of the quarter were ISTM's celebration of Annual Day and the IKS-based naming of refurbished auditoriums and round conference halls by the Secretary(P). The village attachment and study tours undertaken by ASODR and SDR trainees provided valuable field exposure. A blood donation camp further demonstrated the social commitment - 'Seva Bhaw' - of the ISTM community.

During this quarter, the Institute conducted 80 courses, online and offline, which were attended by 2116 participants.

We invite readers to immerse themselves in these pages and to share their thoughts and suggestions, so that 'ISTM News' continues to inform, inspire, and connect our community.



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ISTM Celebrates Its Annual Day







TRAILBLAZE

The Institute of Secretariat Training and Management (ISTM) marked a momentous occasion in its illustrious journey with the celebration of its Annual Day on 05th May 2026. The event was held in the Prabodh Auditorium & was an exhibition of a vibrant blend of tradition, reflection, and cultural expression.



The celebration was graced by Ms Rachna Shah, Secretary(P), as the Chief Guest, and Ms Chhavi Bhardwaj, Joint Secretary (Training), as the Special Guest. The Annual Day was organised under the able leadership of Shri Rajiv Manjhi, Director, ISTM and Joint Secretary to the Government of India.



The ceremony commenced traditionally with the lighting of the lamp, symbolising knowledge and enlightenment. Following this, Shri Rajiv Manjhi, Director, ISTM, addressed the gathering about the legacy of ISTM and its continuous journey of transformation. This was followed by remarks from Ms. Chhavi Bhardwaj, Joint Secretary, Training Wing, who commended the institute's contribution to capacity building in government. Ms. Rachna Shah, Secretary(P) shared her reflections and appreciated the contribution of ISTM in governance.



The formal proceedings also included the prize distribution to the toppers of several cadre training programmes conducted by ISTM during the preceding year.



The event concluded with an official dinner, fostering informal interaction among all attendees and reinforcing the sense of unity and celebration.

Release of ISTM Journal and Naming of the Conference Halls and Auditoriums based on IKS

As part of ISTM's Annual Day celebrations held on 05 May 2026, the Vol. 6, Issue II of the ISTM Journal of Training Research and Governance was released by Ms. Rachna Shah, Secretary (Personnel), DoPT, in the presence of Ms. Chhavi Bhardwaj, Joint Secretary (Training), DoPT, and Shri Rajiv Manjhi, Director, ISTM and Joint Secretary to the Government of India. The Journal is a testament to ISTM's continuous endeavour to promote research, innovation, and knowledge dissemination in public administration, governance, and capacity building, providing a platform for academicians, practitioners, and civil servants to share research, policy perspectives, and best practices.





The ISTM Journal of Training Research and Governance may be downloaded or accessed from the QR Code given above.





On the same occasion, the renovated Conference Halls and Auditoriums were formally dedicated with names inspired by the Indian Knowledge System (IKS): **RCH-1 – Utkrishtata, RCH-2 – Kartavyam, Audi-1 – Pahal, and Audi-2 – Prabodh**. Unveiled by Ms. Shah, the IKS-based names reflect ISTM's commitment to integrating India's rich knowledge traditions, values, and ethos with contemporary learning spaces. The ceremony was attended by faculty, staff, and participants, marking a significant milestone in the Institute's journey towards fostering research, learning, and capacity building.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF YOGA - 2026 CELEBRATION @ ISTM

International Day of Yoga - 2026 was celebrated on 21st June, 2026 at ISTM. Shri Rajiv Manjhi, Director, ISTM & Joint Secretary to the Government of India, along with other officers, faculty members and staff members, participated in the morning yoga session on the occasion of International Day for Yoga. Mrs Rosy Sharma, Yoga Instructor, led the entire session.

Yoga plays a crucial role in helping officers maintain physical fitness and vitality, which are essential for the demanding nature of their roles.









ACTIVITIES OF FTP CELL

Foundation Training Proramme

During the First Quarter of FY 2026-27, FTP Cell conducted the Foundation Training Programme for a total of 530 Assistant Section Officers Direct Recruits (ASODRs) of CGLE 2024 batch of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS) and 114 Stenographer Direct Recruits (SDRs) of the Central Secretariat Stenographer Services (CSSS):

- SDR 68 & 69 from 09th March to 10th April 2026-79 SDRs.
- SDR 70 from 13thApril 2026 to 15thMay 2026. -35 SDRs
- ASODR 330, 331, 332, 333 & 334 from 23rd February 2026 to 30 April 2026 – 254 ASOs.
- ASODR 335, 336, 337, 338, 339 & 340 from 04th May 2026 to 10th July 2026 – 276 (246+30) ASOs.

VISIT TO PARLIAMENTARY RESEARCH AND TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACIES (PRIDE)

As part of the FTP ASODRs from Batches 335, 336, 337, 338, 339 & 340 of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS), 30 Railway Board Secretariat Service (RBSS) 114 SDRs from Batch 68, 69 & 70 of the Central Secretariat Stenographer Services (CSSS) visited the Parliament batch wise, between 07th Apr, to 04th Jun, 2026. A session on Parliamentary procedure was conducted by the Parliamentary Research and Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE).

The trainees were also briefed on Parliamentary Work Management, aimed at deepening their understanding of parliamentary procedures and enhancing their capacity to support the vital functions of governance. They also visited both the houses of the Parliament.








Blood Donation Camp Organised at ISTM Campus

Blood donation is a noble and selfless act that holds the power to save lives and restore hope to those in need. Embracing this timeless virtue of service to humanity, the Institute of Secretariat Training and Management (ISTM) has been organising blood donation camps during various training programmes, in collaboration with Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital Blood Bank, New Delhi.

During this quarter, a blood donation camp was held on the 14th May 2026. The initiative saw enthusiastic participation from 51 donors, as well as faculty members of ISTM. Their generous contributions embody the spirit of compassion and social responsibility that ISTM stands for.



ACTIVITIES OF FTP CELL

ASODR & SDR Trainees undertake Village Attachment and Bharat Darshan

As part of their Study Tour, ASODR trainees of Batches 330 to 334 visited Hyderabad, including the Devnar Foundation for the Blind and Salar Jung Museum, gaining exposure to social initiatives and the region's rich cultural and historical heritage.

ASODR Batches 335 to 340 undertook their Study Tour in the Bhopal–Pachmarhi sector, visiting the Tribal Museum and Silk Centre, among other places. The visits provided insights into tribal heritage, traditional crafts, cultural diversity and developmental initiatives.

SDR Batches 68, 69 and 70 undertook Bharat Darshan to Shimla and Manali, visiting the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Mountaineering and Allied Sports (ABVIMAS) and ICAR Mushroom Centre. The exposure enhanced their understanding of specialised institutions, local development and the region's socio-cultural landscape.

These visits complemented classroom training by providing practical exposure to grassroots realities, cultural diversity, developmental initiatives and the spirit of public service.



VISIT TO NATIONAL ARCHIVES OF INDIA (NAI)











As part of the Foundation Training Programme, 277 Assistant Section Officer Direct Recruits (ASODRs) of the 2024 Batch of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS) and the Railway Board Secretariat Service (RBSS) visited the National Archives of India (NAI) on 25–26 May and 2–3 June 2026. The visit offered the officer trainees valuable insights into the preservation, conservation, and management of the nation's archival records. They were acquainted with the scientific methods adopted for the conservation of manuscripts, official records, maps, and other historically significant documents, as well as the role of modern archival practices in ensuring their long-term preservation and accessibility.

The exposure enhanced the trainees' understanding of archival practices, records management, and the importance of maintaining authentic and reliable public records in government. It also reinforced their appreciation of the National Archives of India as the custodian of the country's documentary heritage and highlighted the critical role of archival institutions in preserving institutional memory, supporting research, promoting transparency, and contributing to informed governance for the benefit of present and future generations.

Valediction and Interaction of ASODRs with Chairperson, Capacity Building Commission

Smt. Radha Chauhan, Chairperson, Capacity Building Commission was the chief guest during the valediction ceremony of the Assistant Section Officer Direct Recruits (ASODRs) of the 2024 Batch, comprising ISTM Batches 330, 331, 332, 333 and 334 of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS). Smt. Radha Chauhan interacted with the trainees and shared her valuable insights on public service, capacity building, and the evolving role of civil servants in achieving good governance.

The event reflected ISTM's continuing commitment to nurturing competent, ethical, and future-ready civil servants and marked an important milestone in the professional journey of the young officers as they prepared to assume their responsibilities in Government service.

















राजभाषा अनुभाग

राजभाषा की तिमाही बैठक का आयोजन



संस्थान के निदेशक महोदय श्री राजीव माँझी की अध्यक्षता में दिनांक 24 जून, 2026 को समिति कक्ष में संस्थान की राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन समिति की तिमाही बैठक का आयोजन किया गया। बैठक में संस्थान के संकाय सदस्य और अधिकारीगण उपस्थित रहे। निदेशक महोदय ने तिमाही के दौरान संस्थान की राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन की प्रगति की स्थिति का जायजा लिया। बैठक के दौरान मार्च, 2026 को समाप्त तिमाही प्रगति रिपोर्ट, वार्षिक कार्यक्रम 2026-2027, हिंदी में कामकाज को बढ़ाने के प्रयास आदि विषयों पर चर्चा की गई। सभी सदस्यों ने राजभाषा में काम करने को बढ़ावा देने के लिए सुझाव दिए। जिन्हें निदेशक महोदय ने गंभीरतापूर्वक सुना और उनकी सराहना की। बैठक के दौरान राजभाषा कार्यान्वयन की दिशा में महत्वपूर्ण निर्णय लिए गए। निदेशक महोदय के अभिभाषण के साथ बैठक संपन्न हुई।

हिन्दी कार्यशाला का आयोजन - अप्रैल से जून 2026

दिनांक 25 मई, 2026 को “संघ की राजभाषा नीति’ विषय पर हिंदी कार्यशाला का आयोजन सेमिनार हॉल-04 में किया गया था। यह कार्यशाला संस्थान के सभी अधिकारियों, संकाय सदस्यों एवं कर्मचारियों के लिए आयोजित की गयी थी। कार्यशाला के वक्ता संस्थान के संकाय सदस्य उप निदेशक, श्री बिस्वजीत बैनर्जी थे। सर्वप्रथम संयुक्त निदेशक (राजभाषा प्रभारी) श्रीमती नमिता मलिक ने श्री बिस्वजीत जी का स्वागत किया। तत्पश्चात, उप निदेशक महोदय ने संघ की राजभाषा हिंदी के विषय पर विस्तृत चर्चा करते हुए हिंदी कार्यशाला को आगे बढ़ाया।



उन्होंने कार्यशाला के संचालन की शैली को संवादमूलक रखते हुए प्रतिभागियों को अधिक से अधिक सरकारी कार्य हिंदी में करने के लिए प्रोत्साहित किया। कार्यशाला के अंत में उन्होंने हिंदी के शुद्ध रूप संबंध में प्रतिभागियों का ज्ञानवर्द्धन करने के लिए अभ्यास करवाया। इतना ही नहीं उन्होंने सभी प्रतिभागियों से अपनी पसंद के विषय पर हिंदी में बोलने का अभ्यास भी करवाया, जिसमें सभी प्रतिभागियों ने बढ़-चढ़कर भाग लिया। अंत में संयुक्त निदेशक महोदया ने उप निदेशक महोदय सहित सभी प्रतिभागियों को कार्यशाला में उपस्थित होकर आयोजन को सफल बनाने के लिए धन्यवाद दिया।

Newly Joined Faculty members

During the quarter, ISTM welcomed Shri Suman Kumar, Deputy Director & Faculty Member. The orientation of the newly joined officer was done during the faculty meeting. On this occasion, the Director, ISTM, along with all faculty members, extended a warm welcome to him and encouraged to seek guidance and support as required, fostering a spirit of collaboration and institutional harmony.

Shri Suman Kumar is a distinguished Officer of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS) with a career trajectory defined by high-impact administrative and legal leadership. Joined the Government of India in July 2008 and has since then served in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the National Minority Commission and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy. Possesses a robust dual expertise in Law and Management, underscored by an LLM in IPR and extensive experience in multi-billion rupee policy frameworks.



The legal portfolio spans High Court and Supreme Court litigation management, specialised research on the Uttarakhand Uniform Civil Code (UCC), and comprehensive legislative reviews of the Industrial (Development and Regulation) Act 1951. Expert in bridging regulatory compliance with strategic governance.

He has successfully demonstrated administrative leadership as a member of the team that organized first ever G20 event held at New Delhi and flagship GOI programs like Make in India and Startup India while overseeing administration of statutory bodies and institutes of national importance. In addition to extensive experience in the Central Government and Administrative Laws, possesses hands-on experience of working with State and Union Territory Governments, along with sound knowledge of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime and Labour Laws.

ONLINE AND OFFLINE COURSES CONDUCTED DURING APR TO JUN 2026

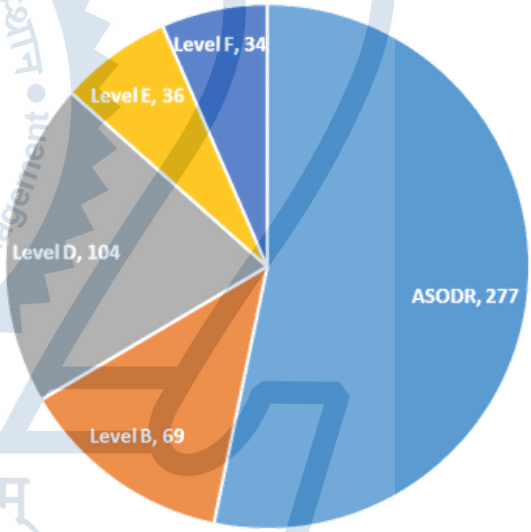
A total of 78 offline, online, and blended courses were conducted by the ISTM during this quarter, and a total of 2,037 officers from various government establishments, including those from the CSS and CSSS cadres, attended these courses.

S.No	Name of course	No. of Courses	No. of Officers / Participants
1	CSS - Central Secretariat Services	14	520
2	CSSS - Central Stenographer Secretariat Services	4	145
3	Calendar Courses - As planned in Annual Training Calender	46	912
4	Organization or Cadre Specific Programme / PT Programmes	16	539
Grand Total		80	2116

CSS - CADRE TRAINING COURSES - 14 COURSES WERE CONDUCTED: -

A total of 14 courses of ASODR, Level B, D, E and F were conducted during this quarter (Apr to Jun 2026). The duration of these courses ranges from two to ten weeks. A total of 520 participants attended the training.

No. of Participants

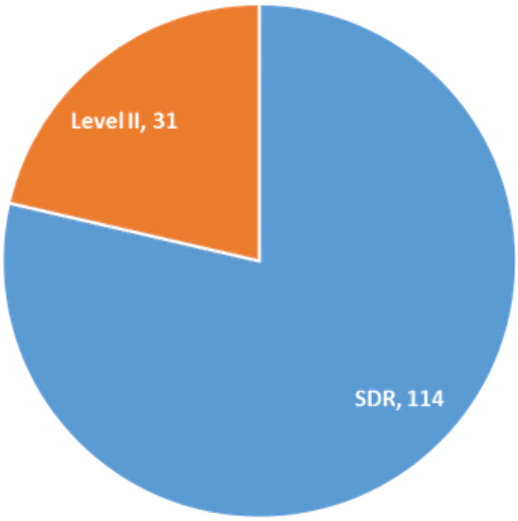


DESCRIPTION OF COURSE NAME:

- **ASODR: Direct recruit Assistant Section Officers**
- **Level B: ASOs of CSS with 6 years of approved service**
- **Level D: SOs of CSS with 4 years of approved service**
- **Level E: US of CSS with 4 years of approved service**
- **Level F: DS and Directors with 4 years of approved service**

CSSS - CADRE TRAINING COURSES - 04 COURSES WERE CONDUCTED:-

No. of Participants



A total of 04 courses of SDR and Level II were conducted during this quarter (Apr to Jun 2026) for the Officers of the Central Secretariat Stenographer Service. The duration of these courses was 2 - 6 weeks. A total of 145 participants attended the training.

Description of Course name:

- **SDR: STENOGRAPHER DIRECT RECRUITS**
- **Level II: PA of CSSS with 4 years of regular service**

CALENDAR COURSES OTHER THAN CSS/CSSS AND CTP - 46 COURSES

S.No	Name of course	Duration From	Duration To	No. of Participants
1	Workshop on Office Procedure & Noting & Drafting	29-Jun-26	1-Jul-26	54
2	Orientation Course for Deputy Secretaries / Directors	29-Jun-26	1-Jul-26	16
3	Proactive Disclosure of information under RTI-Act & Third Party Audit	29-Jun-26	29-Jun-26	28
4	Workshop on Cyber Security	29-Jun-26	30-Jun-26	18
5	Budget Formulation - Utilization and Expenditure Management	22-Jun-26	23-Jun-26	12
6	Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place	22-Jun-26	23-Jun-26	12
7	Public Policy for Good Governance	22-Jun-26	24-Jun-26	17
8	Workshop on Conduct of Inquiry on Complaints relating to Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place	15-Jun-26	16-Jun-26	15
9	Workshop on e-Procurement & GeM	15-Jun-26	17-Jun-26	71
10	Creative and Positive Thinking	8-Jun-26	9-Jun-26	25
11	Capacity Building of the Head of the Organization in Administrative, Vigilance and Financial Matters	8-Jun-26	10-Jun-26	19
12	In-Service Course for Library & Information Science Professionals	8-Jun-26	19-Jun-26	33
13	Leveraging AI Tools in Power Point	1-Jun-26	2-Jun-26	19
14	Reservation in Services for SC/ST/OBC/ExSM/PWDs	1-Jun-26	4-Jun-26	26
15	Right to Information - Public Information Officers	1-Jun-26	2-Jun-26	30
16	Workshop on Team Building and Leadership	1-Jun-26	2-Jun-26	13
17	Handling RTI Matters	25-May-26	26-May-26	21
18	Record Management - Right to Information	25-May-26	26-May-26	24
19	Orientation Training Programme on PFMS	25-May-26	26-May-26	12
20	Seminar on Right to Information	25-May-26	25-May-26	6
21	Handling Parliamentary Matters	25-May-26	26-May-26	7
22	e-Record Management	22-May-26	22-May-26	18
23	Workshop on Emerging Technology and Dashboard	18-May-26	19-May-26	12
24	Use of Artificial Intelligence in Governance	18-May-26	19-May-26	18
25	Administrative Vigilance - Role of IO/PO	18-May-26	21-May-26	21
26	Workshop on Financial Management in Government	11-May-26	13-May-26	22
27	Workshop on Advanced Presentation Skills for Trainers and Administrators	11-May-26	12-May-26	8
28	Workshop on e-Office	11-May-26	12-May-26	15
29	Work Life Balance & Anger Management	4-May-26	5-May-26	15
30	Workshop on Income Tax	4-May-26	4-May-26	20
31	Workshop on Pay Fixation	4-May-26	6-May-26	20
32	Litigation Management	4-May-26	5-May-26	21

CALENDAR COURSES OTHER THAN CSS/CSSS AND CTP - 46 COURSES

S.No	Name of course	Duration From	Duration To	No. of Participants
33	Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal of Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place	27-Apr-26	28-Apr-26	7
34	Orientation Training Programme for the retiring Government officials	27-Apr-26	28-Apr-26	9
35	Improving Productivity through Self Management	27-Apr-26	27-Apr-26	13
36	Programme on Pensions & Other Retirement Benefits	20-Apr-26	22-Apr-26	18
37	Workshop on Office Procedure & Noting & Drafting	20-Apr-26	22-Apr-26	24
38	Data Analytics using MS-Excel	20-Apr-26	22-Apr-26	10
39	Training Programme for CVOs/VOs	20-Apr-26	24-Apr-26	17
40	Workshop on Conduct of Inquiry on Complaints relating to Sexual Harassment of Women at Work Place	20-Apr-26	21-Apr-26	9
41	Workshop on e-Procurement & GeM	20-Apr-26	22-Apr-26	32
42	Proactive Disclosure of information under RTI-Act & Third Party Audit	13-Apr-26	13-Apr-26	12
43	Cash & Accounts	13-Apr-26	12-Jun-26	27
44	Reservation in Services for SC/ST/OBC/ExSM/PWDs	6-Apr-26	9-Apr-26	34
45	Workshop on Unified Pension Scheme/New Pension Scheme	6-Apr-26	6-Apr-26	7
46	Responsible use of AI in Workplace	6-Apr-26	7-Apr-26	25
Total No. of Participants				912

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ORGANIZATION SPECIFIC PROGRAMME (OSP) AND PERIPATETIC TRAINING (PT) - 16 COURSES

S.No	Name of course	Duration From	Duration To	No. of Participants
1	Two-Weeks Organisation Specific programme for Enforcement Directorate through Online Mode	29-Jun-26	10-Jul-26	25
2	Five-Days Programme for Office of the Jute Commissioner, Kolkata at Host Permises.	29-Jun-26	3-Jul-26	25
3	Organisation Specific Programme for O/o Chief Postmaster General (Department of Post), Telangana Circle, Hyderabad at Host premises	8-Jun-26	12-Jun-26	25
4	Three Days OSP for NTA, ESIC at ISTM on TNA as Part of Faculty Development	3-Jun-26	5-Jun-26	22
5	Two-Days Organisation Specific programme for AICTE at Host Premises	2-Jun-26	3-Jun-26	27
6	Organisation Specific Programme for O/o Chief Postmaster General (Department of Post), Telangana Circle, Hyderabad at Host premises	18-May-26	22-May-26	25
7	One-week Programme for O/o Surveyor General of India at NIGST, Hyderabad	11-May-26	15-May-26	64
8	One-Week Organisation Specific programme for MY Bharat and NSS at ISTM	11-May-26	15-May-26	26
9	One-Week Organisation Specific programme for MY Bharat and NSS at ISTM	4-May-26	8-May-26	24
10	One-week Programme for O/o Surveyor General of India at NIGST, Hyderabad	27-Apr-26	1-May-26	55
11	Two-Days Programme for IFSCA	22-Apr-26	23-Apr-26	30
12	One-week Programme for O/o Surveyor General of India at NIGST, Hyderabad	20-Apr-26	24-Apr-26	57
13	Two-Days Programme for IFSCA	20-Apr-26	21-Apr-26	27
14	One-day Organisation Specific programme for ICAR at ISTM	17-Apr-26	17-Apr-26	30
15	One-week Programme for O/o Surveyor General of India at NIGST, Hyderabad	13-Apr-26	17-Apr-26	52
16	One-week Cadre Training programme on Training of Trainers Programme on Disciplinary Proceeding and Vigilance matters for the State of Bihar	29-Jun-26	4-Jul-26	25
Total No. of Participants				**539**

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हरी घासों के बीच,
जंगली कहलाएँ।
अपने कुचले जाने,
फिर-फिर उग आने
की नियति के साथ
बेपरवाह कहलाएँ।
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कदमों की आहट के,
पैरों की गरमाहट के,
पदचिह्नों में आहुति हुए,
कोमल कहलाएँ।
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पर अर्पित न हुए
किसी देवता को,
गुमानी कहलाएँ।
जंगली फूल जो बह चलें,
डूबने से अब बचे-तब बचे,
इतना बचे, इतना-सा से बचे,
ज़ार-ज़ार धन्यवाद करते
बचे रहें, बहते रह गए
किस्मतवाले कहलाएँ।

जंगली फूल जो टकराते गए
नदी की लहरों से,
ज्वार और भाटा से,
रहें थोड़े से मटमैले से,
जीर्ण-शीर्ण, कुचैले से,
साहसी कहलाएँ।
जंगली फूल जिन्हें न कुछ रोक सका,
जानते रहें, हर एक फलसफा,
रखा स्वयं में न कुछ स्वयं का,
लहरों में कुछ यूँ बहें,
हर दिशा में लहरों के साथ गए,
अन्वेषण किए नए-नए,
फिर भटकों की नाव बन गए,
अंत में आए किनारे
और फूल कहलाएँ।
जंगली फूल जो किनारों पर आए,
धीरे-धीरे रंग छोड़ते हुए,
मिट्टी में मिट्टी बनकर समाए,
एक ख्वाब पीछे छोड़ गए,
प्रेरक कहलाएँ।
ख्वाब जो वहाँ रहें
कि जाने कब उसी मिट्टी में,
नए फूल एक बार फिर
अनायास ही फूट पड़ें,
और जंगली फूल से...
फूल कहलाएँ।



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