

International Training Programme on “Health Security and Protection of Workers”

1.	Name of the Institute	V.V. Giri National Labour Institute
2.	Title of the Course	International Training Programme on “Health Security and Protection of Workers”
3.	Proposed dates and duration of the Course in Weeks/ Months	February 04-22, 2019 Three Weeks
4.	Eligibility Criteria for Participants	Senior and middle level functionaries from Government, Senior and middle level representatives of Trade Unions, Senior and middle level representatives of Employers’ organizations and Industries. This programme is only for foreign nationals sponsored by Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India. The Participant should have working knowledge of English.
	a) Educational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education in Social Sciences • Education in occupational safety and health • (not medical professionals strictly)
	b) Work Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum five years of experience
	c) Target Group/ Segment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers/Representatives specializing on Social Security • Officers/Representatives specializing on Health Insurance and Security • Officers/Representatives specializing on Safety and Health
5. a	Aim	Market-oriented reforms in the health sector have led to low efficiency of resource allocation and utilization, increasing inequality as well as reducing the ability of the poor to access health care services. This situation creates greater health vulnerability for those who are at greater risk of disease but not under the cover of social protection, such as workers in the informal economy.
5. b	Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To identify the growing occupational and safety risks of workers due to informalisation of work. • To understand the issue of health protection and promotion at workplace.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To understand the need for universal maternity benefits to include women in the workforce. <p>Understand the need for health insurance of workers in order to meet health related insecurities.</p>
5. C	Justification/Rationale	<p>Globalisation has led to increasing informalisation of work in the developing countries, whereby workers have less access to social protection. On the one hand flexible, precarious and insecure forms of work with greater health risks have increased. On the other hand, safety and protection systems designed for formal workplaces and workers are inaccessible to informal workers. Moreover, in many developing countries, governments have been compelled to limit welfare programmes including health services through public expenditure. This has increased health insecurities and vulnerability for majority of the workers in the developing countries. It is in this context that the present Course has been designed.</p>
6. .	Detailed Course Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Globalisation, new forms of work and the growing occupational and safety risks of workers; Economic reforms and outsourcing and informalisation of work and its impact on workers; Impact of industrial health policies; Need for Universal Health Insurance.
7.	Profiles/CVs of the Faculty	<p>COURSE DIRECTOR:</p> <p>Dr. Ruma Ghosh is a Faculty Member of V.V. Giri National Labour Institute since 1998. She is a Sociologist by training and has completed her Masters in Sociology from the Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and M.Phil and Ph.D in Sociology of Work and Health from the Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. Dr. Ruma coordinates the Centre for Labour and Health Studies in VVGNI. Her professional</p>

		<p>interest lies in the area of Sociology of Work and Health and she has been concentrating her research in the area of labour in the informal economy with focus on Social Security & Protection, Livelihood Security, Health Security and Protection of Workers. She has undertaken several research projects revolving around these themes many of which are sponsored by the government and International Organisations. The courses/training programmes conducted by her also revolve around these areas besides which she has been conducting Courses on Research Methodology for young research scholars and a three-week International Training Programme on Health Security and Protection of Workers as a part of ITEC/SCAAP trainings sponsored by MEA since 2003.</p> <p>She has presented several papers in National/ International Seminars on these issues and has coordinated a number of workshops and seminars. She has a number of research publications in the form of articles, research monographs and edited book. She is the Associate Editor of the Institute's academic journal Labour and Development and is the Editor of the Institute's Newsletter Indradhanush. She has been the Member-Convener of two National Sectoral Innovation Councils of the Government on Occupational Safety and Health (NSIC-OSH) and Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (NSIC-RSBY). She is associated with major professional bodies like Indian Sociological Society, Indian Society of Labour Economics as a Life Member.</p> <p>OTHER RESOURCE PERSONS</p> <p>Prof. Ritu Priya Mehrotra, teaches in the Centre of Social Medicine and Community Health, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. She specializes in the area of (1) Public policy formulation and analysis interlinking epidemiology, political economy & health culture, (2) Impact of public policies on health of migrant labour, the urban poor and dalit groups, (3) Interdisciplinary health research methodology. Prof. Mehrotra has held several</p>
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		<p>important positions and has been Advisor, Public Health Planning at the National Health Systems Resource Centre (National Rural Health Mission, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI).</p> <p>Mr. P.K. Goswami is a Deputy Director (Industrial Safety and Health), Labour Department, Government of Delhi. He is a highly accomplished professional with strong experience in Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) management skills. He has a proven track record of prevention of accidents and successful implementation of OSH management system in variety of industries in India.</p> <p>Mr. Goswami is a B. Tech (Bachelor of Technology - Chemical), Harcourt Butler Technological Institute, Kanpur University and a MBA from Jamia Millia Islamia University, New Delhi. He has a Masters in Occupational Safety and Health from International Training Centre, International Labour Organization (ITC-ILO), Turin, Italy (One full year – 60 European Credit Transfer System and a Post Graduate Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health ITC- ILO, Turin, Italy. He also attended a Summer School on “Occupational and Environmental Determinants of Disease” at the School of Medicine of University of Brescia, Italy in 2014.</p> <p>He has excellent enforcement skills, thorough knowledge of Participatory Action Oriented Training (PAOT), as well as proficiency in conducting and defending proceedings before court arising under the Factories Act, 1948 and Building & Other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and condition of service) Act, 1996.</p> <p>He has been conducting safety inspections and surveys in various industries under Factories Act in and construction sites under building and under Building & Other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment and condition of service) Act. He has delivered lecture on OSH to safety professionals and factory Inspectorate of various States. He also delivers talks to the</p>
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8.	Expected outcome of the Course	At the end of the Course participants will be better equipped to understand how to deal with issues such as occupational safety and health and improving health security and protection of workers.
9.	Mode of Evaluation of Performance of the ITEC Participant	Each participant would be required to make a presentation on a theme related to the course in the context of their country. A panel of faculty members would evaluate the presentation. Feedback questionnaires would also be used for regular evaluation.
10.	Course Director	Dr. Ruma Ghosh rumaghosh.vvgnli@gov.in