

Note regarding Two Days Orientation Workshop on National eVidhan Application (NeVA) at Sikkim Legislative Assembly , Gangtok on 2nd & 3rd November 2018

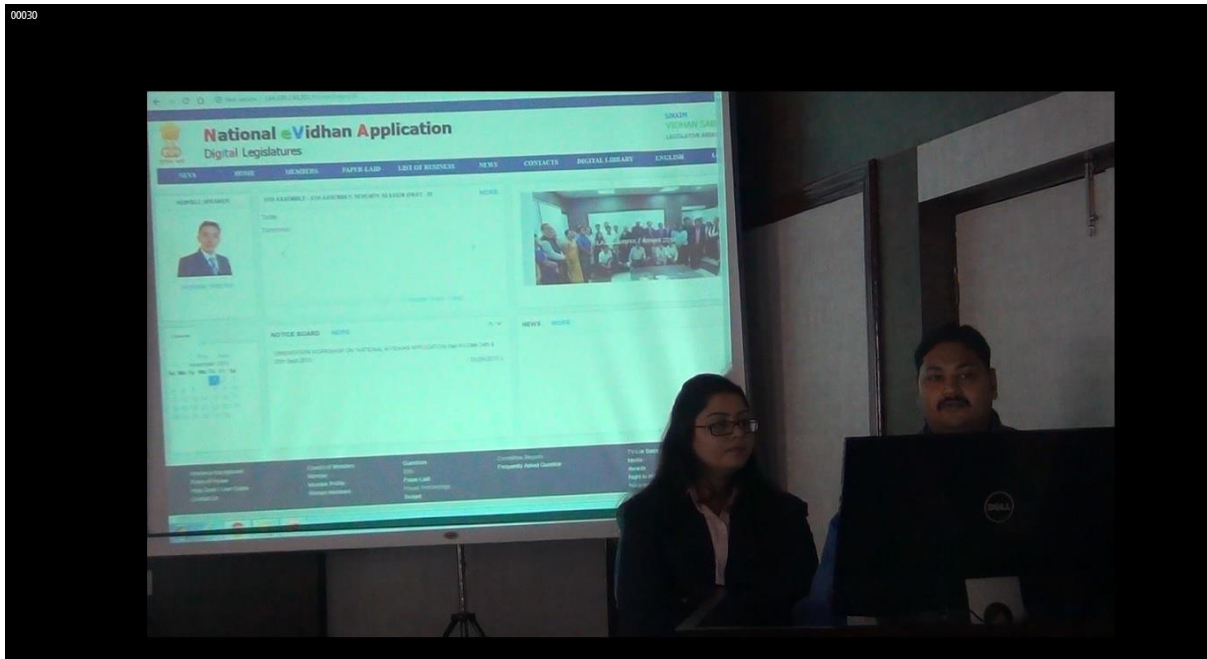


Sikkim Legislative Assembly in Collaboration with Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (MoPA) and NIC Sikkim, successfully conducted a two days' Workshop on National eVidhan Application (NeVA) in its premises on 2nd and 3rd of November 2018. The Workshop was inaugurated by Hon'ble Speaker, Sh. K.N.Rai, in presence of Dy. Speaker, Sh.Sonam Gyatso Lepcha, SLA Secretary, Sh. L.M.Pradhan, SIO NIC Sikkim, Sh. Birendra Chhetri, Law Secretary, and officers from Home Department, Department of IT and Law.

The Hon'ble Speaker very enthusiastically put forward his vision of paperless assembly in the era of Digital World and how he had been putting up his efforts to realise it. SLA Secretary stress on the importance of the Workshop and how it would benefit all the officers and staffs of the Legislative Assembly and other nodal departments.

Technical Features of NeVA was highlighted by Sh. D.K.Basnett, NIC State Coordinator for NeVA Project. Other Technical Sessions and hands-on Sessions were very efficiently managed by Sh. Sameer Vershaney and Sushri Priyanka Barthwal from MoPA, New Delhi. Participants from various departments engaged themselves in hands-on sessions with much enthusiasm.

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Every participant in this Workshop could get the sense of NeVA application which would bring information to all the stakeholders, bring transparency, and save crores of rupees on stationeries. An initiative that would break the department silos, move ahead for Government as a Whole Approach with integrated services to all stakeholders with the latest ICT infrastructure.

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ORIENTATION WORKSHOP ON "NATIONAL e-VIDHAN APPLICATION (NeVA)" Venue: Banquet Hall, Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat			
Session Day 1	Time	Subject	Resource Person
Inauguration	10:00	VIPs move to the Dice	
	10:05	Inauguration of Workshop by Hon'ble Speaker SLA	
	10:05 to 10:10	Address by Secretary, SLAS	
	10:10 to 10:30	NeVA Technical Features	NIC Sikkim
Inaugural address	10:30 to 10:50	Hon'ble Speaker of SLA	
Tea Break 10:50 a.m. to 11:05 a.m.			
Technical Session-2	11:05 to 11:35	Master Data Entry by NeVA Team Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	CPMU NeVA
Technical Session-3	11:35 to 12:20	Question Module by NeVA Team Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	CPMU NeVA
Technical Session-4	12:20 to 1:05	List of Business Module by NeVA Team Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	CPMU NeVA
Lunch Break 1:05 p.m. to 1:35			
Live Demo	1:35 to 3:35	Live Demo Session NeVA	State NIC / CPMU NeVA
Technical Session-5	3:35 to 4:05	Experience Sharing on NeVA by Team CPMU	CPMU NeVA
Technical Session-6	4:05 to 4:35	Group Discussion	CPMU NeVA
High Tea			
End of Day 1			
Session Day 2	Time	Subject	Resource Person
Demo Session	10:00	Data entry for one day Data by State NeVA Team.	State NeVA Team
End of Orientation Workshop			

State Legislative Assembly set to turn paperless, digital

GANGTOK, November 2 (IPR): The functioning of the State Legislative Assembly could soon turn paperless and important data available on a digital platform. Officers and staff of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly and concerned departments of the State government are undergoing an orientation workshop on National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) here at the Assembly secretariat.

The two-day workshop has been organized by the Union Parliamentary Affairs ministry with support and coordination from Sikkim Legislative Assembly Secretariat and National Informatics Centre (NIC) Gangtok. The workshop was inaugurated this morning by SLA Speaker K.N. Rai.

"In this age of artificial intelligence and digital overreach, the NeVA project

of the government of India is a welcome initiative. It is imperative that we switch to the digital way of life and paperless functioning and thus this workshop I believe will take us a step ahead in that direction," said Speaker Rai after digitally inaugurating the two-day workshop.

He shared that the Sikkim Legislative Assembly had already realized a few years ago about the need to go digital and had consistently corresponded with the concerned ministries in the Centre government. He shared that the journey was not easy but expressed hope that this workshop would help realize the vision. He urged the resource persons from the ministry to impart effective training through the course of the workshop. He called upon the participants to make the most of the opportunity and learn every detail of NeVA.

The Speaker further stated that with the support from the Union ministry, the State Legislative Assembly will soon adopt paperless functioning and all the data and proceedings of the Assembly sessions would be carried out digitally. He said the initiative would not only reduce the cost of stationery and other paraphernalia but would also contribute to the

preservation of the environment by not using paper.

SLA secretary L.M. Pradhan, in his address, said the two-day workshop had been organized to equip the officers and staff the Assembly secretariat and concerned departments to transition into digital mode of functioning. He shared that digitization had always been a part of the scheme of things of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly, and substantial progress had already been made. He added that the Assembly secretariat had over the years strengthened its IT cell with technically sound manpower, and added support from NIC Gangtok. He thanked the visiting team of experts from the Parliamentary Affairs ministry to facilitate the workshop.

Earlier, NIC Gangtok technical director D.K. Basnet made a brief presentation on the technical features of the NeVA. He explained that NeVA is a common digital platform with the tagline - One Nation One Application, accessible through a common website and mobile application for all the States Legislatures and the Parliament. He stated that the aim of the project is to make



the functioning of State Legislative Assemblies more participative, responsive, transparent, productive and more accountable to the public. It is an environment-friendly initiative aimed to digitize and make available State Legislature documents, including debates, speeches, committee reports, notices and questions on the internet.

He added that with the implementation of NeVA in the State Legislatures, the entire function of the Assembly would be carried out digitally. Questions and E-papers would be laid on the floor of the House and accessed by the members using multi-purpose touch screens. The functioning of the committees of the Assembly would also be paperless. He also explained the role of NIC in facilitating

the process of digitization.

The technical sessions were facilitated by Sameer Varshney, NeVA manager and Priyanka Barthwal, coordinator NeVA, both representing the ministry of Parliamentary Affairs. The two resource persons imparted hands-on training on aspects such as master data entry, question module, and list of business module. The participants were also given a live demonstration on NeVA, which was followed by experience sharing on NeVA and group discussion.

The workshop had the presence and participation of SLA deputy Speaker Sonam Gyatso Lepcha, Law department secretary, State Informatics Officer, NIC Gangtok, and officers from the State Home, Law and IT departments.

NSUO demands Centre for NRC in Sikkim

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GANGTOK, November 2: The Nationalist Sikkim United Organisation (NSUO) yesterday submitted memorandums addressed to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Home minister

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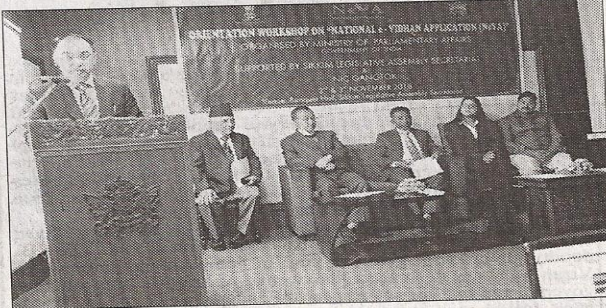
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Workshop on National e-Vidhan Application concludes

GANGTOK, November 3 (IPR): The workshop on National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA) which was underway at Sikkim Legislative Assembly secretariat concluded today wherein the resource persons from the ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Sameer Varshney, NeVA manager and Priyanka Barthwal, NeVA coordinator provided hands-on practical based training on data entry to all the participants. The second day workshop commenced with a brief deliberation from the additional secretary (Debates) on procedure of questioning employed by Sikkim Legislative Assembly.

The first half of second



day's session, comprising of the resource personnel from the ministry of Parliamentary Affairs provided mock training to the officials and staff of the editorial and debates section, legislative and parliamentary section and committee section of Sikkim Legislative Assembly secretariat respectively. Officers from other

government departments were also provided with hands-on experience on the data entry process during the workshop.

The resource personnel from the ministry of Parliamentary Affairs were presented token of appreciation by the secretary Sikkim Legislative Assembly L.M. Pradhan at the end of the two day orientation workshop.

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