

# Dr. Mukesh K. Bhandari

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## Overview

Dr. Mukesh K. Bhandari is a distinguished expert in governance and administrative training, with over 18 years of experience at the National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG). He specializes in designing and delivering capacity-building programs that empower civil servants to excel in their roles.

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## Professional Experience

a) **Training and Capacity Building:**

- Designed and coordinated over **100 international training programs** for civil servants from **34 countries**.
- Organized training programs for premier institutions, including the **Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha Secretariats, Coal India Limited, and KVIC**.
- Conducted specialized programs for state civil services, including **Odisha, Mizoram, Manipur, Jammu & Kashmir, and Arunachal Pradesh**, and for **DANICS services**.

b) **Implementation of National Flagship Schemes:**

- Spearheaded workshops focusing on flagship initiatives such as **SSA, NRHM, TSC, and MGNREGA**, targeting District Magistrates and Chief Development Officers.

c) **International Contributions:**

- Played a key role in training **1,500 civil servants from Bangladesh** and **1,000 from the Maldives**.
  - Part of delegations to **Bangladesh and Sri Lanka**, led by the Honorable Secretary, DARPG, and DG, NCGG, for bilateral talks.
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## Academic Qualifications

- **Ph.D. in Panchayati Raj Institutions (Political Science)**, HNB Central University, Srinagar (Garhwal)
  - **Master's Degrees** in Political Science and Sociology, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
  - **Diploma** in Local Self-Government, All India Institute of Local Self-Government, Bombay
  - **Direct Trainer Skills (DTS) Certification**, LBSNAA, Mussoorie
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## Achievements

- Delivered a talk on “**SMART Career Planning**” at SGGSJ Government College, Paonta Sahib, Himachal Pradesh (2021).
  - Contributed to sourcing and compiling synopses for the **Prime Minister’s Awards** (2012).
  - Trained district officers and gram panchayat members on **indigenous people’s rights** as a resource person for Pragaya International Organization (2007).
  - Served as Field Supervisor for **Lokniti’s Assembly Election Study** in Uttarakhand (2002).
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## Publications and Research Contributions

### Research Studies:

- *Socio-Economic Impact of MGNREGA* (across six states and left-wing districts).
- *Role of PRIs in Implementation of MGNREGA.*
- *Social Accountability Convergence Between SSA & NRHM.*

### Published Articles:

- “Covid-19 evam Uttarakhand ke Prawasi Majdooron ki Samvedana,” *Vaad Samvad* (Jul-Dec 2020, ISSN 2348-8662).
  - “Migration and its Impact on the Political Economy of Himalayan and Sub-Himalayan States,” *JSID* (Jan-April 2024, ISSN 2583-6994).
  - “Visualization of Ayushman Bharat Scheme Before and After its Implementation on Indian Health Governance,” *JSID* (May-August 2024, ISSN 2583-6994).
  - “PMAY Scheme and Socio-Economic Empowerment of Women in Rural India,” [SSRN](#).
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## Key Skills and Areas of Expertise

- Governance and Public Administration
  - Capacity Building and Training Coordination
  - Research in Rural Development and Social Accountability
  - Policy Implementation and Evaluation
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