

Good Governance & Poverty Alleviation

Programmes 2024

1. Dubai & Thailand - 5th to 13th Dec
2. Thailand & Australia - 8th to 18th Dec
3. Australia & New Zealand - 14th to 22th Dec



CBN proudly presents three International Training and Study Tour Programmes for:

National, Provincial and Local

**Government Officials, Elected Representatives;
Members of Parliament, Legislators, Staff of Parliaments/
Legislatures, Mayors, Councilors, Semi Government/
Parastatal Agencies, Board Members, Administrators,
Infrastructure and Public Utility Providers,
Bilateral & Multilateral Funding Agencies
and HRD Managers**



Organized by: CBN International, Australia
in collaboration with its Indian counterpart

ANTICIPATED OUTCOME

When policy makers and officials are exposed to international good practices and extensive exchange of information, it broadens their vision, enhances their understanding and enables them to make innovative improvements to their policies and programmes back home.

About the Organizers

Based in Australia, CBN-International is a capacity building organisation that primarily deals with training, conducting international tours, research and advisory services. A pioneer in the field, CBN-International is headed by Dr. Behnam Ta'i, a former senior staff at the United Nations and visiting professor at the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.

CBN International has designed and conducted a large number of programmes over the last 20 years. More than 4000 elected representatives and officials have participated in these programmes. For a complete profile of past participants visit www.cbnint.org

CBN-International programmes are designed, planned and presented by highly qualified and experienced professionals. The following are some of the resource persons associated with CBN programmes:



Dr. Behnam Ta'i is currently the Managing Director of CBN International. A former senior staff of the United Nations and Visiting Prof. to the University of NSW, Sydney.



Ms. Maria T. Palandy is a senior staff of CBN-International. She is a resource person and in charge of planning and management of Its International programmes.



Mr. Reungvith Vechasart is a Senior Specialist (Organization Development) and one of the main resource persons of CBN International in Thailand



Hon. David Caygill is the former New Zealand Minister of Finance, Trade & Industry. A renowned lawyer by profession, Hon'ble Caygill is one of the main resource persons of CBN International in New Zealand



Prof. Percy Allan is a former Secretary to the NSW Treasury and a recipient of the prestigious award of the Order of Australia for his contribution to public sector financial reform in NSW.



Mr. Alan E. Wilcox has held executive management positions in local and regional governments, and planning positions in the New Zealand Ministry of Works.

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The Programme

Rapidly developing and industrializing countries throughout the world pose a challenge for their national, provincial and local leaders and development managers to keep pace with the provision of adequate public services and address poverty alleviation.

While lack of funds is often discussed as the main constraint for the poor state of public services, international experience suggests that more often than not, lack of effective leadership, planning, management and capacity to mobilize resources, formulate and implement good projects are the main contributing factors; in mobilizing financial and managerial resources to implement projects, build institutional capacity and play a significant role in provision and delivery of public services. This programme focuses on these factors and examines the lessons learnt in the countries to be visited.

Module 1

Good Governance for Poverty Alleviation

Module 2

Institutional Capacity Building and HRD

Module 3

Parliamentary Practices and Procedures

Field visits

Projects that have shown remarkable achievements because of the factors highlighted above will be visited. The focus of the programmes will be on the following modules and field visits.

- Roads and Transport Projects
- Poverty Alleviation Programmes and Social Security Programmes
- Local Authorities
- Energy Projects
- Parliaments/Legislatures
- Health & Hospitals
- Affordable Housing

Registration fees

1. Dubai & Thailand USD - 2999
2. Thailand & Australia USD - 3999
3. Australia & New Zealand USD - 4999

The course/registration fee will cover:

- Professional course fee;
- Hotel accommodation on single room basis;
- Course material;
- Meals (breakfasts); and
- Ground/ Land transportation costs for scheduled field visits within the countries to be visited.

Schedule: Dubai & Thailand

5 Dec: Arrival in Dubai
6 Dec:
7 Dec:
8 Dec:
9 Dec: Leave for Bangkok
10 Dec:
11 Dec:
12 Dec:
13 Dec: Departure for home country

Schedule: Thailand & Australia

9 Dec : Arrival in Bangkok - Thailand
10 Dec:
11 Dec:
12 Dec:
13 Dec: Leave for Australia
14 Dec:
15 Dec:
16 Dec:
17 Dec:
18 Dec: Departure for home country

Schedule: Australia & New Zealand

14 Dec: Arrival in Brisbane Australia
15 Dec:
16 Dec:
17 Dec:
18 Dec: Leave for New Zealand
19 Dec:
20 Dec:
21 Dec:
22 Dec: Departure for home country

Countries to be visited:

Thailand:

Is a constitutional monarchy with a parliamentary system, and its economy is driven by tourism, agriculture, and manufacturing. According to the World Bank, over the last four decades. Thailand has made remarkable progress in social and economic development, moving from a low income to upper middle income country in less than a generation. As such Thailand has been a widely cited development success story with sustained growth and impressive poverty reduction. Thailand provides an excellent setting from which to learn. Many past participants have used in expensive shopping in Bangkok and done high standard in expensive health check up.

Dubai:

Is one of the seven United Arab Emirates (UAE). It is the most populous city in the UAE and has transformed from a small fishing village and pearling center to a regional transport and tourism center for the Middle East. Dubai has grown into the most progressive and modern city in the region. The massive growth of Dubai in the recent decades provides ample opportunity to learn from; the processes and cause of success will be examined. In this programme other emirates like Abu Dhabi will be visited for comparison and analysis. Dubai also provides good opportunity for shopping.

New Zealand:

Will provide an excellent opportunity for the participants to study the country's experience in good governance specially public sector reforms to improve delivery of public services. Governed as a unitary parliamentary democracy New Zealand's key industries are agriculture, tourism, and manufacturing. It is celebrated for its unique biodiversity, rich Māori heritage, and progressive social policies, including being the first country to grant women the right to vote in 1893. The visit will mainly concentrate on the development activities and good practices in and around Auckland city relevant to the objectives of the programmes.

Australia:

Is the world's sixth-largest country by total area and is a diverse and vibrant nation. Governed as a federal parliamentary democracy, Australia's economy is driven by mining, agriculture, and services sectors. Australia has had in excess of three decades of unprecedented economic growth and offers lessons to be learnt from its good governance specially social security and poverty alleviation programmes, effective delivery of services and high quality infrastructure in urban and regional settings. This program will be held in the Queensland cities of Brisbane and Gold Coast.

Useful questions and answers:

1. Is the air tickets included in the course / registration fee?

A. NO.

2. Can I pay the course fee on arrival?

A. NO. Participants should complete registration before arrival.

3. Can I register and participate in one part of a Programme?

A. YES, but the course fee will remain the same

4. What transport is covered in the course fee?

A. Ground transport by coach for scheduled field visits within the countries visited.

5. Does the registration/course fee cover airport to hotel transfer?

A. NO. Participants should pay for their transport to hotels and back to Airport.

6. Is there a deadline for registration?

A. Registration is on a first come first serve basis, till slots are full.

7. Can I arrive a day or two earlier or leave a day or two later?

A. Yes, but you should make your own arrangements for extra nights.

8. What is the cost of air ticket to participate in the Programmes?

A. We are not able to give you the price of an air ticket from your country to the destination. You should obtain this information from your local travel agent.

Some photographs of the past programmes



Hon. David Caygill, former New Zealand Minister of Finance, Trade & Industry discussing with participants of a previous programme held in Auckland, New Zealand.



Engr. Abdulla M. Rafia, Asst. Director Gen. Env. & Public Health Affairs Dubai Municipality with the participants of a previous programme in Dubai.



Special tailor made programme was organised for a group of officials from Nagaland, India. Here the group is seen during their visit to Kuala Lumpur City Hall, Malaysia.



Welcome upon arrival in Thailand



Classroom Session in Singapore



Presentation of Certificate in Australia



Hon. Fikile De Villiers Xasa, Speaker, Eastern Cape Provincial Legislature, SA receiving a memento from President of the National Assembly and Speaker of the House of Representatives of Thailand, during



Mr. Michael Trevor Nunulrea and Mr. Philip Leo, distinguished participants from Department of Prime Minister & NEC, Papua New Guinea being welcomed on arrival to a previous programme held in Thailand.

Source of Funding

Applicants and their departments should find their own sources of funding, either from their governments or through funding agencies such as bilateral or multilateral agencies. Kindly note that 90% of our participants are funded by their own governments or departments. The other 10% have received sponsorship from international agencies. In the past, funding agencies such as UNDP, World Bank, DFID, CIDA, SIDA, AUSAID, GTZ and ADB have sponsored some participants. The success in securing sponsorship depends on your own working relationship with these agencies. It should be noted that obtaining sponsorship is competitive and applicants should therefore apply to more than one agency and follow up properly in order to increase their chances of being successful.

How to register and participation.

process is simple

1. you email us:
 - your full name,
 - your position,
 - photocopy of your passport,
 - phone number/whatsApp
 - source of your funding,
2. Upon acceptances of your registration, we will send you the invoice for payment.
3. Upon the receipt of your registration fee, we will help you with obtaining visas, and will provide advice for your travel arrangements.

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