

ITEC COURSE
159TH ITP PROGRAMME – PERFORMANCE AUDIT
INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR INFORMATION AND AUDIT (ICISA)
NOIDA, INDIA
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The host has made necessary and meticulous arrangements for airport transfers, accommodations, meals, social outings and study tours. Since the course was held during Ramadhan, they had also arranged for the muslim participants to accommodate our iftar and suhr needs. Food packs were also given to us especially when we had social outings to make sure we could break our fast on time in bus. Facilities provided during our stay at the hostel is a top notch as the participants didn't feel bored as our time were always preoccupied with after-class activities such as playing badminton, gym, playing football, swimming, etc. Facilities inside hostel room were more than enough. We were provided with airconditioner, ceiling fan, computer desktop, refrigerator, kettle, drinking bottles, complete toiletries, and even a big flat screen smart TV in our room. My room was a newly refurbished and renovated hostel room and it was very comfortable and convenient.

The training programme, Performance Audit, is useful for most of us participating supreme audit institutions as this type of audit is being practiced in most of audit institutions. However, I would appreciate if ICISA could consider not to conduct training programmes during certain dates for example this course had taken almost a month of Ramadhan. As it was carried out during Ramadhan, it was quite challenging for the Muslim participants as we had to join the social outings as India was already in its summer time. As far as I was concerned this programme was supposed to be held in February but was postponed to a later date.

Furthermore, I personally think that this course can be shortened to only two weeks as four weeks (25 days) was a bit too long especially for people with family and small children. Furthermore, some study tours were not really relevant to us in audit area as most of it were more on the development of India rather than visiting offices of Audit which I personally think would be more beneficial.

I appreciate for this opportunity as it has given me the chance to visit India and I am very thankful for the sponsorship that India Government has offered us. Furthermore, we really appreciate the educational books gifted to us. However, this can actually be a burden to some of us as it can cause excess baggage especially for some of us that only have limited baggage weight.

I enjoyed my stay especially that the staffs were very friendly and welcoming and always attended to our needs and wants. Furthermore, our welfare was taken care very well because ICISA had arranged for police and ambulance escorts during our social outing and also study tour to Lucknow.

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