



Vision

*To be a world
class Academic
Institution*

THE INSTITUTE OF CRIMINOLOGY AND FORENSIC SCIENCE

was established by Government of India in 1972 within the Bureau of Police Research and Development following recommendations of the University Grants Commission (UGC) to set up a Central Institute for teaching Criminology and Forensic Science. The UGC had earlier set up an Expert Committee to suggest steps to bring 'Criminology' and 'Forensic Science' into the general stream of university education, pursuant to resolutions taken at UNESCO Symposium (London, 1955) that systematic understanding of Criminology and Forensic Science was necessary for Law Enforcement Officers and the Universities should be encouraged to include these disciplines in their curriculum.

The ICFS made humble beginning in 1972 by organizing 2 training courses for senior officers of the Criminal Justice System. In 1976 it became an independent Department directly under the Ministry of Home Affairs with a wider mandate which included promotion of Criminology and Forensic Science through a variety of means. Since 1972, the Institute has made significant headway in training and research in applied aspects of these two subjects. Over 34,000 officers from Police and Civil Administration, Prosecution, Judiciary, Correctional Administration, Customs, Defence

Mission

- Promoting Criminology and Forensic Science through Education, Research and Training by setting new benchmarks.
- Helping develop a problem solving approach amongst officers of Criminal Justice System by providing a platform for interaction cutting across state boundaries.
- Sensitizing officers of Criminal Justice System and Forensic Scientists to harness potentials of science in Criminal Justice.
- Advancing international cooperation and appreciation in crime control through academic activities and collaborations.

Forces and Forensic Science Laboratories have attended various orientation and specialized courses at the Institute. Officers from foreign countries, namely Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Fiji, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Malaysia, Maldives, Sudan, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan, Palestine, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Uganda and Zambia have also participated in some of these Courses. The Institute has undertaken several research projects in Criminology and Forensic Science and it operates several schemes for promotion of Criminology & Forensic Science.

The Institute was upgraded as National Institute in 1991 and in 2003 the Institute was renamed after *Lok Nayak Jayaprakash Narayan*. The institute also offers M.A./M.Sc. courses in Criminology and Forensic Science since 2004 in affiliation with Guru Gobind Singh Indraprastha University, New Delhi.

Located in Rohini sub-city of the National Capital of Delhi, the Institute has 8 acres campus housing administrative wing and teaching areas (about 9000 sq. mtrs.), Hostel space (2400 sq. mtrs.), several lecture theatres, Seminar rooms, Auditorium besides residential facilities for faculty and staff. The Institute has an Instrumentation wing and several laboratories having state-of-the-art equipment.



Objectives

- To act as National Institute towards advancement of the subjects of Criminology and Forensic Science and towards this end to provide-(i) M.A. in Criminology and M.Sc. in Forensic Science and (ii) undertake research in Criminology and Forensic Science.
- To act as a Centre of in-service training of officers in police, judiciary and correctional services and also others engaged in the criminal justice system and its allied fields and to provide facilities for certificate and diploma courses in the various subjects.
- To act as a reference body in the fields of Criminology and Forensic Science for all national as well as international institutions and provide all types of information to workers engaged in the various studies in these fields.
- To promote international understanding and goodwill by providing facilities for training and research in Criminology and Forensic Science to other countries.

Functions

As per the Ministry of Home Affairs Resolution No. 4/20/70-F (P)II/ICFS/GPA.I dated 25th September, 1976, the functions of the Institute are as follows,

- To conduct Master of Arts and Master of Science courses in Criminology and Forensic Science.
- To organize various in-service certificate and diploma courses as approved by the Government of India from time to time.
- To confer Membership, Associateship and Fellowship to those engaged in the profession of Criminology and Forensic Science.
- To assist the Government of India in formulating policies relating to all matters pertaining to the research and application of Criminology and Forensic Science.
- To collaborate with other institutions, organizations, associations and Societies in India and abroad for the promotion of study of Criminology and Forensic Science, and their application.
- To establish and maintain library and information service to disseminate information to different departments of the Government of India and the State Governments and other institutions in matters relating to Criminology and Forensic Science.
- To offer research fellowship, scholarship, prizes and stipends for fostering the study of Criminology and Forensic Science.
- To undertake aid, promote and co-ordinate research in Criminology and Forensic Science through its own or other agencies including Universities and other institutions of standing.
- To analyse specific problems encountered in the fields of Criminology and Forensic Science referred to the Institute by State Governments or Government of India.
- To undertake all such research and studies either of its own or in collaboration with other organizations or persons on subjects which will serve the cause of Criminology and Forensic Science in the country.
- To publish news-letter, journal, literature on Criminology and Forensic Science which will advance the cause of Criminology and Forensic Science.