

# **Minutes of the XV All India Conference of Directors' of Finger Print Bureaux**

1. The XV All India Conference of Directors' of Finger Prints Bureaux of States/UTs was organized on 4th & 5th February, 2013 by Karnataka State Police under the aegis of N.C.R.B, M.H.A., Govt. of India, New Delhi, under the Chairmanship of Shri Shafi Alam, IPS, Director General, National Crime Records Bureau, New Delhi.
2. A total of 71 delegates from States, Union Territories and from other agencies including officials from CFPB/NCRB & Karnataka Police participated in the Conference.
3. Shri V.Umesh, IAS, Principal Secretary to Home Department, Govt. of Karnataka, Chief Guest inaugurated the Conference by lighting the lamp.

## **INAUGURAL SESSION**

### **Welcome Address**

Shri A.M.Prasad, IPS, ADGP (Crime & Technical Services), Karnataka Police delivered the welcome speech. While welcoming the Chief guest and delegates from states/UTs, he emphasized the importance of Finger Prints as a tool for police investigation, internal security and women's security. He said that Finger Print is one of the most important and basic biometric tools for establishing Identification. Karnataka police had solved many cases through Finger Print where there were no clues for the local police. Karnataka government would provide all support and resource to modernise state Finger Print Bureau. He said that the modernisation of police with the aid of new technology and connectivity at every police station through the Govt. of India's ambitious project, CCTNS incorporating the use of Finger Print science would definitely strengthen our criminal justice system. He especially thanked DG, NCRB for giving them opportunity to organise All India Directors conference of Finger Print Bureaux at Bengaluru.

### **Keynote address by Shri Shafi Alam, IPS, Director General, NCRB**

Director General, NCRB, Shri Shafi Alam, IPS, in his address emphasized the significance of Fingerprint science for personal identification, internal security and referred to Fingerprint as one of the basic component in the Crime & Criminal Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS), the flagship project of MHA, Govt. of India, which will provide connectivity up to police station level.

DG, NCRB said that, the aim of this annual event, which is in 24th year since its inception in the year 1980, is to take stock of the developments taking place in the field of fingerprint science from time to time and to keep pace with it so that we do not lag behind. It has been our aim in the NCRB to spread awareness about the importance of fingerprint science.

He also urged that, the place of Fingerprint is secured in today's world as the paramount Biometric tool for personal identification due to its individuality, uniqueness and its cost effectiveness. The DG thus said, "It is not an over statement, if, I term it, to be the soul of police work. In our country fingerprint science has assumed significant importance, as it is now being linked to a host of public/private service delivery systems where fingerprint is the medium of identification, like the *Aadhaar* project under the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI), banking sector, passport offices,

transport departments, just to name a few. This widespread use of the science would be in the national interest as it would check impersonation and white collar crimes”.

DG, NCRB also took pride to inform that, the flagship project of the MHA, under the e-governance plan, the **Crime & Criminal, Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS)** has become a reality with the launching of the pilot project exactly a month back on the 4<sup>th</sup> of January. Presently most of the police stations in the country function as isolated islands. Through this project, exchange of crime & criminal related information via a dedicated network amongst the police stations will soon become a reality. This will see the networking of more than 15000 police stations and 6000 plus higher offices of the nation with a single application by providing reliable and robust connectivity. He expressed confidence that once this project is in place it will emerge as the real game changer in Indian police. A large number of activists, senior police officers and informed sections of the society have expressed their opinion that the CCTNS project, if implemented fully would be the most significant police reform of the country. He reiterated NCRB’s commitment to this project’s timely rolling out which will carry the connectivity under CCTNS to the logical end, the inter-connectivity of AFISes in States/UTs with that of CFPB/NCRB is envisaged. A national AFIS (NAFIS) is proposed to be set up at CFPB/NCRB at Delhi soon.

DG, NCRB with a note of caution said that despite such rapid developments in the field of science and technology, it is baffling that some States and Union Territories are yet to install AFIS, which is an area of concern. The other important issue is the process of sharing fingerprint data with the CFPB. He regretted to say despite repeated communication with all the concerned States and UTs on a regular basis, some states/UTs have not made any significant progress in this field. Unless and until there is seamless centre-state data sharing, the internal security cannot be secured. It is time that adequate emphasis is laid to this issue because in the absence of a proper data bank, NCRB would not be able to help the different police organisations of the country.

Shri Shafi Alam urged the Congress of top fingerprint brains of the nation to have a brain storming session and to come up with innovations in the field of internal security that will bolster the security apparatus in the country. He, also hoped, the conference to be a step forward in repositioning Fingerprint Science to its’ rightful place in the CCTNS induced environment.

Before winding-up he thanked the DGP, Karnataka Police, FPB Karnataka and others, from the bottom of his heart, for taking pains in organising the event in such a grand manner.

## **Address by Shri Lalrokhuma Pachuau, IPS, DGP & IGP, Karnataka**

Welcoming Chief guest Shri V.Umesh, Principal Secretary to Govt. of Karnataka, Home Department, Shri Shafi Alam, Director General, NCRB and all the delegates from states/UTs, Shri Lalrokhuma Pachuau, IPS, DGP & IGP, Karnataka, informed that the Finger Print Bureau of Karnataka is a specialised unit having complete infrastructure with a modern AFIS which was installed in 2003 and is connected to all the districts of Karnataka. The Finger Print Bureau is headed by Superintendent of Police and comprises of 12 DySPs, 33 Inspectors and 46 Sub-Inspectors.

He has informed that state of the art modern complex of Finger Print Bureau with complete facilities was completed in the year 2005. The Finger Print Bureau had helped Karnataka Police in solving many cases of great importance like theft and burglary where entire property lost had been recovered. The Finger Print Bureau had solved 1942 cases through Chance Prints since 2005. Currently it has a database of 2,89,759 Ten Prints card and 18,860 unsolved Chance Prints. The entire Fingerprint unit in the states are equipped with modern equipments for developments of chance prints at the scene of crime. While emphasising the role of Finger Print Expert, he said that a post of DySP was created in Karnataka Police Academy to impart training to the probation officers of the Karnataka State Police

Services and also Sub-Inspectors in modern methods of Finger Print Science. He also expressed gratitude to the NCRB authorities for giving Karnataka Police a chance to host the conference coinciding with the 150<sup>th</sup> year of Indian Policing.

### **Address by Chief Guest Shri V.Umesh, Principal Secretary, Home Department, Govt. of Karnataka**

Inaugurating the conference, Shri V.Umesh, Principal Secretary to Govt. of Karnataka, Home Department informed that the state of Karnataka was the first southern state to host the All India Conference of Directors of Finger Prints Bureaux. He said that Govt. of Karnataka is keen to implement e-governance plan under which 905 police stations of Karnataka will be networked. The state is eager to implement CCTNS project in the state and Govt. will make available more funds to Finger Print Bureau of Karnataka for its further modernisation. He revealed that 9513 cases and 4900 Chance Prints were taken up by FPB & detected 615 cases in the last 3 years. Live scanners would be installed in every police station of Karnataka. He also acknowledged that the Finger Print Science is universally accepted for personal identification and that it is a vital tool for police to deal with criminals. He also said that Govt. of Karnataka is implementing e-governance project 'SAKALA' in which several services would be digitised including police.

He expressed the hope that the two-day Conference would come up with very useful decisions with which the whole country will be benefited and assured that the Government of Karnataka will extend all cooperation and assistance in this field. He also wished the delegates a pleasant and enjoyable stay in Bengaluru in the midst of internationally acclaimed Biannual Aero Show.

### **Vote of Thanks by Shri K.R.Venkatesh, SP/Director, FPB, Karnataka**

At the end of the inaugural session, Shri KR.Venkatesh, SP & Director, FPB, Karnataka, thanked the guests for gracing the occasion despite their tight schedules and also welcomed all the delegates from states/UTs attending the conference.

He also sincerely thanked DG, National Crime Records Bureau, MHA, Govt. of India for giving them an opportunity to organise All India Conference of Directors of Finger Prints Bureaux at Bengaluru. He also thanked Shri Lalrokhuma Pachuau, IPS, DGP & IGP, Karnataka Police and Shri A. M. Prasad, IPS, ADGP (C&TS), Karnataka Police for providing resources and guidance to organise the Conference.

## **TECHNICAL SESSION**

### **Presentation by Shri Purushottam Sharma, IPS**

Shri Purushottam Sharma, IPS, ADGP, MP gave a presentation on Interoperability of AFIS & specifications of AFIS for states/UTs. He said that FED should be fully integrated and compliant with

NAFIS system proposed to be installed at NCRB under CCTNS Project. The agencies which would be selected centrally through RFP, would supply, implement and maintain FED based solutions on the zonal basis and the printing of FP slips on NCRB standard format through laser printer for ridge clarity. He said that the AFISes installed in many states are not functioning properly due to problems in AMCs. The issue of interoperability between States/UTs and CFPB/NCRB will be of huge importance to derive maximum benefit from AFIS. He also conceded that challenges are being faced by several states/UTs and CFPB regarding specifications of hardware, software and their maintenance of AFISes. He also added that most of the AFISes installed in states/UTs are outdated and not compliant with the International standards. He also emphasised the strong need for setting up a NAFIS system to cater the entire country.

Shri Asit Mohan Prasad raised the issue of standardisation of AFIS software for interoperability with states and centre. Shri Purshottam Sharma said that there is a need for standardisation of connectivity module and core functionalities. He also said that States/UTs may consider shorter version of NAFIS specifications for procuring/upgrading AFIS.

The delegate from Mizoram said that the states have no fund to procure AFIS. DG,NCRB, Shri Shafi Alam said that an advisory may be sent to states from NCRB to use modernisation fund to procure AFISes for their States/UTs.

### **Presentation by Padma-Bhushan Shri Chandrashekharan**

Padma Bhushan Shri Chandrashekharan, Ex-Director, FSL, Chennai and Honorary professor, Dr. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu delivered a presentation on “Digital Evidence in Forensic Science especially Finger prints”. He said Digital evidence, also known as electronic evidence stored or transmitted in digital form that a party to court case may use at trial. In his presentation he pointed out the importance of presenting and preserving Digital evidence which by its very nature, is fragile and can be altered, damaged or destroyed by improper handling. He also emphasised the need of training programmes for judicial officers in the country to educate them regarding Digital Evidence in Forensic Science.

### **Presentation by Shri Anil Chawla, Director in-charge, CFPB**

Shri Anil Chawla, Director in-Charge, CFPB delivered a presentation on “**Status of AFIS in states/UTs**” and echoed DG, NCRB’s concern about the tardiness in installation of AFIS in some states/UTs despite NCRB’s repeated direction and reminded the Non-AFIS states about the urgency of installation of AFIS as the pilot phase of Govt. of India’s flagship project CCTNS has already been launched and urged them to expedite the process. The delegates were unanimous in their view that there was an urgent need for all the FPBx to be equipped with AFIS without delay.

Shri Purushotham Sharma, IPS, ADGP, MP and Smt. B. Radhika, Joint Director, NCRB suggested that the states/UTs should make a detailed note about the functioning and the shortcomings of their present AFIS so that the issue can be taken with vendors.

Smt. B. Radhika, Joint Director, NCRB expressed that there is a need of issuing advisory from NCRB/MHA to all Non-AFIS states/UTs regarding installation of AFIS.

**(Action: CFPB)**

## **Presentation by FPB, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh on AFIS**

Shri S.Prabhakar, Police Inspector, FPB, Hyderabad, Andhra Pradesh delivered a presentation regarding functioning of AFIS (FACTS) installed in FPB, Andhra Pradesh. He also said that AP police have been using FACTS system since 2000 and they have installed the latest version FACTS5 at their central site in Hyderabad. The central server at Hyderabad is connected through APSWAN with a desktop based local AFIS, FACTS Finder, installed at 30 District locations. FP Bureau has 4,78,244 ten digit records and 32,041 chance print records. He emphasised that connectivity between FPB, Hyderabad and District Head Quarters was very beneficial in state.

## **Presentation by FPB, Bengaluru, Karnataka on AFIS**

Shri R.R.Sindhey, Police Inspector, FPB, Bengaluru also gave a presentation regarding functioning of AFIS (NEC system) installed in FPB in 2003. He informed that all the police stations in Bengaluru city are equipped with live scanners for taking Finger Prints of suspects and making queries with the FPB records. He also said that Karnataka police has procured 328 Live scanners for the police stations. The district units are connected with central server at Bengaluru by 2mbps DPO network. The Karnataka FPB have detected 2091 cases through AFIS.

### **Discussion on Agenda Points**

Initiating the discussion, the chairperson, Smt. B.Radhika, Joint Director, NCRB, Shri R. Rajasekaran, Deputy Director, NCRB and Shri Anil Chawla, Director in-Charge, CFPB, echoed DG, NCRB's concern about the tardiness in installation of AFIS in some states/UTs. They said all those States/UTs which are still without Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) should install the same at the earliest.

**(Action: CFPB)**

## **I. AFIS**

### **1. Inter State Connectivity of AFIS**

Shri R.Rajasekaran, Deputy Director, NCRB revealed that the connectivity between CFPB and states/UTs FPBx will be provided through CCTNS project. CCTNS also envisages connectivity from police station level upward to District and State level. For this NCRB has signed a MoU with BSNL for connectivity. Connectivity through Satellite will be provided in the areas where the broadband connectivity is not possible.

The delegate from M.P. Shri R. A. Khan, Dy. S.P. asked up to what extent AFIS will be integrated with CCTNS? Shri Anil Chawla, Director in-Charge, CFPB informed that CCTNS project will provide inter connectivity of all the AFIS installed in states/UTs with NAFIS to be installed at CFPB/NCRB. All the FPBx will be involved in the next stage of CCTNS for AFIS integration.

## **2. Dealing with AFIS Vendors**

Shri Tamal Basu, IPS, SSP, CID (HQ), West Bengal pointed out that AFIS installed by M/s CMC Ltd, was not up to the mark as far as after sale service is concerned. The vendor, M/s CMC Ltd. has demanded a huge amount of 41 Lakh for its AMC, which is arbitrary, and thus the system is lying dysfunctional. There is a need to upgrade the system with renewed AMC terms and conditions. This point was also supported by most of the delegates from different states/UTs where M/s CMC Ltd's FACTS is installed. Shri R. Rajasekaran, DD, NCRB said that issue would be strongly taken up by NCRB and the messages will be communicated to M/s CMC Ltd to rectify the shortcoming Sh. Rajasekaran suggested that clause for AMC for at least 5 years should be included when AFIS procurement is planned by the states.

Shri K.R.Venkatesh, SP, FPB, Bengaluru suggested that the upgraded version of the AFIS installed should be provided by the vendor without charging any amount

**(Action: CFPB)**

## **3. National Database**

Delegates of M.P. and Delhi raised the issue of maintaining National database of convicts and arrestees. Shri Anil Chawla said that CFPB is maintaining a National Database, which will be further augmented with the installation of NAFIS under CCTNS project.

The delegate of Rajasthan Shri Mohan Lal Sharma, Dy SP raised the issue of interconnectivity between state with central Database at CFPB/NCRB and AFISes of states.

Shri R.Rajasekaran added that CFPB is not getting the required Data (F.P. Slips) from the states. He advised all the states/UTs to send all the F.P. Slips of Convicts and Arrestees to the CFPB for maintaining Central Database. He informed that issue of inter-connectivity of AFISes would be resolved once CCTNS project rolls-out with the installation of NAFIS at CFPB/NCRB.

Shri Purushotham Sharma also advised that States/UTs should ensure to send all the Fingerprint Data to CFPB/NCRB to get maximum benefit.

## **II. MODERNISATION**

### **1. Procurement:**

Most of the delegates suggested that the list of vendors, who are dealing with FEDs and Finger Print materials, must be available on NCRB website. Shri R. Rajasekaran assured that the said list will be uploaded in the NCRB website soon.

**(Action: CFPB)**

### **2. Digital Photography**

Delegate from Odisha Shri Gopal Krishna Mishra, Inspector, raised the issue of digital photography in Fingerprint Science. He also pointed out about the scarcity of consumable materials used in conventional photography. Some other delegates also wanted to know that, can the results of digital photography be admissible in the Court of Law as evidence.

Shri Shibajee Tripathy of CFPB/NCRB informed that the necessary amendments have already been incorporated in the Evidence Act with reference to IT Act 2000 making digital evidence admissible at the court of law and some states like Kerala and Andhra Pradesh among others are already giving evidence with digital photography. The chair also agreed to this and it was decided that the above stated amendment allows the digital form of photography as evidence.

It was also decided that 15 days training in Digital Photography will also be incorporated in the Training programme of NCRB from the next Financial Year, to be held frequently in a year.

(Action: CFPB)

### **III. TRAINING**

#### **1. Training on FEDs**

Kerala delegate was of the opinion that poor quality of FP slips often results in its rejection. This also affects the Database of AFIS and retards its output. He advocated for the use of live scanners in all police stations.

Shri R.Rajasekaran revealed the audience that CCTNS project envisages recording Finger Prints through live scanners (FEDs) in all the police stations and for this detailed guidelines regarding FEDs will be formulated once CCTNS is rolled out. It was also decided by the delegates that FEDs might be installed at state police academy for training to the police personnel.

(Action: CCTNS-Specialised Solutions)

#### **2. Exchange of technical knowledge**

Representatives of Chhattisgarh & M.P. were of the view that FP experts should undertake periodical tours to different FPBx & study their functioning to hone up technical knowledge to keep them abreast of the changes in use of technology

Shri Anil Chawla said that CFPB being the nodal agency is already giving the guidance to the states/UTs whenever request is made for modernization/up-gradation and other related issues of FPBx. He also urged the delegates that the office should be informed well in advance so that a technical person can be sent in time.

#### **3. Accommodation during training**

Representatives especially from North Eastern states were of the view that accommodation should be provided for the trainees attending the 6 months FP course in Kolkata unit and to the officials coming to AIBE.

Shri R Rajasekaran said that NCRB is concerned about this problem and informed that the land has been allocated to NCRB at Mahipalpir, New Delhi where hostel facility has already been factored in the plan and for Kolkata unit NCRB is negotiating with Estate authorities for hostel facilities.

(Action: AD (A), NCRB/ I/c CFPB)

#### **4. Changes in AIBE Syllabus**

Dr Vijyakumaran, Director, FPB, Kerala expressed that there is requirement of change in syllabus of FP expert examination in present scenario with the inclusion of Iris, Palm print, Live scanner, AFIS and recent developments in the field of Biometrics and other modern methods. Shri R.Rajasekaran supported the idea. Shri Anil Chawla also added that questions are being set on Palm prints, live scanners, latest on AFIS, modern methods & photography in theory as well as in Viva of AIBE. Shri R. Rajasekaran and Smt B. Radhika, Joint Director, NCRB suggested that the Examiners of the AIBE should be selected randomly from the pool of FP expert in the country. The criteria for pool

may be laid down later. Accordingly, it was decided to move DG,NCRB for necessary formal approvals.

(Action: CFPB)

## **IV. STAFFING PATTERN**

### **1. Eligibility for the AIBE for FP experts**

Shri Amar Pal Verma, Sr. FP Expert, FPB, Delhi was of the view that the minimum educational qualification and rank for eligibility to appear in the All India Board Examination for FP experts should be Graduation in Science and Sub-Inspector of police or equivalent respectively.

Shri Anil Chawla said that this was already recommended in the 13<sup>th</sup> conference and added that the minimum educational qualifications for eligibility to appear in the All India Board Examination for Finger Print expert should be:

- i) Graduation in science
- ii) Minimum rank to be Sub-Inspector or equivalent
- iii) The cut-off date for (i) and (ii) above is 01 Jan 2014

CFPB will post the list of Books related to Finger Prints and other study materials in the website of NCRB/CFPB.

### **2. Standardization and uniformity of FPBx**

Shri Gopal Krishna Mishra, Inspector, FPB, Odisha raised the issue that staffing pattern including pay and allowances should be similar in all FPBx in the states/UTs.

Smt. B.Radhika and Shri R.Rajasekaran supported the view and after eliciting the views of all the delegates, it has been decided to constitute a National Committee, comprising of two members of FPBx of states/UTs from each zone in addition to members from CFPB/NCRB. Shri R. Rajasekaran, DIG & DD(Admn.) NCRB is nominated as Convenor of the National Committee The representatives from the FPBx of Delhi, Haryana, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Odisha, West Bengal, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Assam, Mizoram and CFPB, NCRB, are nominated as members of the Committee. The National Committee is mandated to study the staffing pattern, structure, pay and allowances and shall submit a report to NCRB. The DG, NCRB will be requested to take up this matter with the Govt. of India. It was also decided that the Committee will hold its first meeting tentatively on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2013.

(Action: I/C CFPB/DD-Admn.)

### **3. Special Allowances**

Smt. Anjana Kumari, Director, FPB, Bihar, wanted the FP related works to be recognised as technical and special Eye allowances be given to its' officials.

Shri Anil Chawla said that 'The XI All India Conference of Directors of FPBx had recommended granting Eye Allowance to FP Experts. This requires further follow up action by the CFPB and States/UTs. Smt. B Radhika directed Sri Anil Chawla that the issue should be taken up on priority basis.It was decided to write to the states to provide such allowances and declare fingerprint experts as technical cadre, after studying all the States/UTs procedures and allowances given.

(Action: I/C CFPB)



## **V. MISCELLANEOUS**

### **1. Page in NCRB Newsletter & NCRB website**

The conference desired NCRB to dedicate a page in NCRB Newsletter, which will showcase the standout cases where F.P. played an important role in detecting crimes and criminals.

It has also been decided that a page to be dedicated to Finger Prints in NCRB website, and the page may contain success stories of Finger Print Science and a list of standard reference books on FP science. DD- C (II) Sh. P.Gupta has been asked to create necessary space in the NCRB web site for the purpose.

(Action: I/C CFPB/JAD-Trg./DD,C-II)

### **2. Legal aspects in FP-**

Shri Sunil Kumar Sharma, Inspector, FPB, Chattisgarh raised the legal issues involved in collection and use of Fingerprints for prevention and detection of crimes. Shri R. Rajasekaran replied that the legal aspects are defined in the Identification of Prisoners Act 1920 and in the Indian Evidence Act. He also suggested that under the provisions of the Identification of Prisoners Act 1920, states are empowered to make rules for taking, keeping and using fingerprint records of accused/arrestees/acquittal/suspected persons. It was decided to take up the matter with all the States & UTs. To notify the rules for which the draft rules will be sent by NCRB after taking approval of the MHA. All the States/UTs. Fingerprint experts have been asked to send their recommendations for incorporation in the draft rules by May end 2013.

### **3. Recording FP Slips as per PIN**

“The FP records are now computerized & permanent PINs are allotted to every slip and therefore, the FP slips should be recorded according to their PIN, which in turn will facilitate in quick retrieval when required’-this was the opinion of Andhra Pradesh and MP delegates.

Shri Anil Chawla said that FP slips are being recorded in CFPB as per the PIN generated by AFIS. During deliberations it was decided that Henry system of recording should also be continued.

### **4. Elimination Instruction in AFIS**

The delegates from Odisha and MP wanted to know the guidelines regarding the period of retention of FP records of arrestees and convicted persons. According to Shri Anil Chawla, CFPB has prescribed rules for elimination of time barred FP record slips. States/UTs may adopt the same. He said that the elimination rules have been given in the form of an Annexure in the booklet supplied to all delegates attending the conference.

(Action: I/C CFPB)

### **5. Physical copies of FP records**

It has been decided that only original FP slips will be accepted at CFPB/NCRB and States/UTs Bureaux. It has also been decided that the physical copies of the FP slips recorded through FEDs will also be kept in the records.

## **6. Obtaining FP experts' degree from other sources**

Shri P.Prakash, Dy.SP (HQ), FPB, Bengaluru, Karnataka, brought to the notice of the delegates that some universities are awarding Degrees/Diplomas in forensic sciences and on account of these, some people are giving evidence. He sought clarification regarding the admissibility of such practice. At this Shri Shibajee Tripathy, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB clarified that CFPB/NCRB is the sole accrediting govt. agency in the country for Finger Print Experts. Then the gathering unanimously felt the need to adopt a resolution to the effect that only those accredited by CFPB, NCRB would be recognized as Finger Print Experts and such accreditation should be granted to only those who duly pass the All India Board Examination conducted by CFPB, NCRB.

(Action: I/C CFPB)

### **Presentations on 2<sup>nd</sup> day**

#### **Presentation on 'Pehchan Kaun' by Sh. Narayan Prasad, Inspector, FPB, Haryana**

Shri Narayan Prasad, Inspector, Haryana police delivered a presentation on identification of suspects through '**Pehchan Kaun**' mobile van in different locations in the state. Through his presentation, he informed that 'Pehchan Kaun' mobile vans are equipped with hand held scanners with local database of criminals. They have 25 RQWs (Remote Query Workstations), which are connected to their AFIS.

The delegates from Assam wanted more information regarding hand held devices (HHDs). Smt. B. Radhika instructed CFPB to get information from Haryana and sent it to the Assam Bureau and other States/UTs for their information. She appreciated the Haryana effort and suggested other states to start similar projects in their states/UTs.

(Action: I/C CFPB)

#### **Presentation on 'Clues Team' by FPB, Andhra Pradesh**

Shri Somasekhar Reddy, Director, FPB, Andhra Pradesh gave a presentation on identification of criminals through '**Clues Team**' project running in 30 districts of Andhra Pradesh. He disclosed that the 'Clues Team' mobile vans are equipped with live scanners, FP taking kit, video cameras and still cameras and other necessary forensic equipments to deal with Scene of Crime (SOC). He also said that 'Clues Team' are providing all possible assistance and guidelines to the investigating officer and also coordinating with the medical officer or other scientific experts for prompt inspection of the scene of crime.

Smt. B. Radhika requested Shri Somasekhar Reddy to send details of background note, gazette notification etc. for dissemination to the States/UTs to enable them in preparing similar proposals for states/UTs.

#### **Presentation by Shri R. Rajasekaran, IPS, Deputy Director, NCRB on Identification of Prisoners Act-1920**

Sh. R. Rajasekaran discussed various provisions and sections of Identification of Prisoners Act 1920 in detail and the need of amendments in the Act. He said that this is the only Act which empowers

the magistrate to direct any person to give measurements/photographs. NCRB made a proposal to amend this Act in May 2011 and Draft Act was prepared in tandem with BPR&D. He also said that on the lines of recommendations of Police commissions, law commissions and Justice Malimath Committee, we may adopt a resolution urging the central government to amend this Act. He also said that under the provisions of this Act, States/UTs are empowered to make their own rules under this act and urged the states to send copies of the amendments and Rules, if made, to CFPB/NCRB.

### **Presentation by Shri Prashun Gupta, DD, NCRB on Annual Statistical Report (ASR) System**

Shri Prashun Gupta, Deputy Director, NCRB & Shri M.V.S.S.Sastri, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB delivered presentation on “**Annual Statistical Report**”, a software application developed by NCRB in house for collecting annual statistical data from States/UTs online which is used for the publication of “**Finger Print in India**” of CFPB, NCRB. He also said that ASR formats are simple to use and will save time to send data to NCRB.

The ASR system software was highly appreciated by all the delegates. It was decided to upload it in our website with user access to all the States/UTs FPBx for regular posting of details.

## **PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLOSING SESSION**

### **Address by Shri A.M.Prasad, ADGP, Karnataka**

Shri A. M. Prasad, ADGP (C&TS), Karnataka thanked all the delegates for actively participating in the Conference. While emphasising the importance of Finger Print Science, he said that FPB Karnataka, had played a vital role in the identification of criminals in many important cases.

Shri A. M. Prasad welcomed Chief Guest of the Valedictory function Sh. Ashok Dalwai, IAS, Deputy Director General, UIDAI, Bengaluru and invited him to deliver the key note address which included a presentation on “**Aadhar/UID- A Biometric Identification System**”.

### **Key note address and presentation on “ Aadhar/UIDAI Biometric Identification System” by Shri Ashok Dalwai, IAS**

Shri Ashok Dalwai, IAS welcomed all the delegates and thanked Karnataka police for inviting him to deliver the key note address on this important occasion. He said the Govt. of India’s project of ‘Aadhaar’ will provide a unique 12 digit identification number to every resident of India, which will be necessary to avail all social services in future. UIDAI will ensure that every resident will have Aadhaar registration and the target is to enrol all residents. Aadhaar is using key biometric features like Iris, Fingerprints and photographs for identification. He had dwelt in detail regarding the coverage of Aadhaar scheme, enrolment procedures, de-duplication processes and other related aspects. He has stated that UIDAI had enrolled 32.20 crore residents under Aadhaar scheme as on date. The UIDAI has the technological capacity to process I million queries per day.

## **Address by Shri Lalrokhuma Pachuau, DGP, Karnataka**

Shri Lalrokhuma Pachuau DGP, Karnataka state welcomed chief guest Shri Ashok Dalwai, IAS and thanked all the delegates for participating in the Conference at Bengaluru. He hoped that every delegate enjoyed their stay at Bengaluru and wished them well. He was of the opinion that the hosting of the conference will enrich the state of Karnataka.

## **Vote of Thanks**

Shri Anil Chawla, Director In Charge, CFPB, NCRB thanked and congratulated all the delegates for participating in the conference and enriching the proceedings with valuable inputs which in turn helped in resolving various thorny issues relating to Fingerprint Bureaux of the nation.

He summarised the proceedings of the two-day conference. He requested all the delegates to initiate follow up action on Recommendations on priority basis and expressed his gratitude to the officers/officials of the Karnataka police and FPB, Karnataka state, for the hospitality shown, as the host, in organising the XV All India Conference of Directors of Fingerprint Bureaux and also applauded his team from CFPB/NCRB for their whole-hearted cooperation to make the event successful.

Shri R.Rajasekaran, IPS, Deputy Director, NCRB, read out the recommendations adopted during the conference.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS OF XV ALL INDIA CONFERENCE OF DIRECTORS OF FPBx**

- 1. This conference urge that necessary amendments in the IDENTIFICATION OF PRISONER'S ACT, 1920 in the light of recommendations of Police Commissions, Law Commissions and Justice Malimath Committee may be made by the central government, expeditiously.**
- 2. Unique and successful cases solved with the help of Finger Prints should be published in NCRB newsletters for which required space would be dedicated for Finger Print matters. A fingerprint site in the NCRB website will be started by technical team headed by the DD, technical Sh.P.Gupta for posting articles, judgements, good practices from various States/UTs.-Time frame by April end 2013**
- 3. AFIS document of standards (benchmarking guidelines) and documents to be uploaded on NCRB website for enabling the States/UTs to go and post their comments. (Time frame- within a fortnight)**
- 4. The Non AFIS states should try to get AFIS as quickly as possible and in this regard NCRB/MHA will send advisory to all the non -AFIS states. (Time frame by April end 2013)**
- 5. In cases where scientific investigations are carried out by means of Finger Print Experts' Opinion and other forensic examination report and produced in the court of law and the evidence of FP Experts is recorded, the copy of judgment should be obtained from the court to get enlightened about the effect of expert's opinion on the case & sent to the States/UTs FPBx and post it in the Fingerprint site of NCRB Website**
- 6. Draft staffing pattern, structure, qualifications and Cadre rules of Finger Print Bureaux may be prepared and sent back to NCRB from States/UTs for standardization and uniformity of FP Bureaux – for this purpose a committee is constituted with representatives from CFPB/NCRB, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Delhi, Haryana, Odisha, West Bengal, Assam and Mizoram representing different zones under the chairmanship of Dy. Director, (A&T), NCRB and this committee will study the existing pattern etc and will submit its recommendation to NCRB for taking up this matter with MHA, GOI. – (Time frame -3 months from the date of issue of these minutes or July 31<sup>st</sup> 2013 whichever is earlier).**
- 7. The AIBE conducted by NCRB will have panel of expert examiners from all over the country and the examiners will be randomly selected using software**

**to keep high standards and transparency in the matter of selection of examiners. Further, all the fingerprint experts of States/UTs FPBx to send questions to CFPB for preparing a question bank for randomization & preparing question papers. -Time frame-One month & as an ongoing activity. (Action-DD technical, Sh. P.Gupta for preparing this randomization software to enable this.)**

- 8. The conference recommends that only those accredited by CFPB, NCRB would be recognized as Finger Print Experts and such accreditation is granted to only those who pass the AIBE.**
- 9. Wherever there is a shortfall of finger print experts the state governments may consider re-employing the retired finger prints experts to meet out the shortfall till the recruitment and training of new recruits in FP science are done.**
- 10. FED to be included in the curriculum of Training of S.I.'s in the PTCs across India.**
- 11. It was also decided that the finger print course syllabus need to be revised by the committee set up at point No. 6 of the resolution and submit report to the DG, NCRB for approval. (Time frame-3 months)**
- 12. It was unanimously decided that rules should be prepared by all the States/UTs under the Identification of Prisoners Act 1920 for which draft rules should be provided by NCRB in consultation with the proposed committee set up at point No. 6 of the resolution. -(Time frame-3 months)**

**List of Delegates of The XV ALL INDIA  
CONFERENCE OF DIRECTORS of FPBx  
on 4th & 5th FEBRUARY 2013  
Bengaluru – Karnataka**

**I. National Crime Records Bureau, New Delhi**

1. Smt.B.Radhika, IPS, Joint Dir./IG,NCRB
2. Sh. R.Rajasekaran, IPS, Dy.Director, NCRB
3. Sh. Prashun Gupta, Dy. Director,NCRB
4. Sh. Anil Chawla, Director I/C, CFPB/NCRB
5. Sh. Manotosh Sarkar, Dy.Sp(FP), CFPB/NCRB
6. Sh. M.V.S.S.Sastri, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB
7. Sh. Aftab Alam, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB
8. Sh. Shibajee Tripathy, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB
9. Sh. Anil Kumar Gaynar, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB
10. Sh. S.K.Tiwari, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB
11. Dr. Nishant Singh, Inspector, CFPB/NCRB

**II. FPB, Karnataka Police**

12. Sh. K.R.Venkatesh, Supdt. of Police, FPB, Bengaluru
13. Sh. M.Prabhuswamy, Dy.SP, FPB, CR, Bengaluru
14. Sh. K.B.Balakrishna, Dy.SP, FPB, SR, Mysore
15. Sh. M.B.Somesh, ACP, FPU, Mysore City
16. Sh. P.Prakash, Dy.SP (HQ), FPB, Bengaluru
17. Sh. B.J.Sirurmath, Dy.SP, FPB, NR, Belagavi
18. Sh. H.A.Ankegowda, ACP, FPB, Bengaluru City
19. Sh. Harishchandra Hejmadi, Dy.SP, FPB, WR, Mangalore
20. Sh. R.R.Sindhey, PI, FPB, Bengaluru
21. Sh. M.B.Gunjikar, PI, FPB, Bengaluru
22. Sh. M.C.Kumaraswamy, FPU, Mysore
23. Sh. M.T.Hegde, PI, FPU, Bengaluru Dist.
24. Sh. S.Rajashekhar, FPU, Shimoga
25. Sh. B.S.Chowhan, PI, FPU, Bellary
26. Sh. Sharanappa.L, PI, FPU, Dharwad
27. Sh. S.Venkatesh, PI, FPU, Mandy
28. Sh. A.C.Gowrish, PI, FPU, Tumkur
29. Sh. S.M.Hiregowdar, PI, FPU, Belagavi
30. Sh. Mahantesh.S, PSI, FPU, Dharwad
31. Sh. M.S Parashuram Rao, PSI, FPU, Haveri
32. Sh. Raghu M.S, PSI, FPU, Bengaluru City
33. Sh. H.N.Ramachandre Gowda, PSI, FPU, Bengaluru City
34. Sh. Rudresh A.K, PSI, FPU, Shimoga
35. Sh. Thippeswamy.B.M, PSI, FPU, Kolar
36. Sh. Hanumantraju.S, PSI, FPU, Tumkur
37. Miss Jayalakshmi, WPSI, FPU, Bengaluru City

### **III. Andhra Pradesh-Hyderabad**

- 38. Sh. Somasekhar Reddy, Director (SP) FPB
- 39. Sh. S. Prabhakar Rao, PI, FPB

### **IV. Assam-Guwahati**

- 40. Sh. Jatindra Nath Bhattachariya, Dy.SP,Director
- 41. Sh. Chandan Gayan, Inspector, SFPBV.

### **V. Bihar-Patna**

- 42. Sh. Pankaj Kumar Raj,IPS, SP, FPB
- 43. Smt. Anjana Kumari, Dir., FPB

### **VI. Chattisgarh-Raipur**

- 44. Sh. Sunil Kumar Sharma, Inspector, FPB

### **VII. Delhi**

- 45. Sh. Rajendar Kumar Vajpayee, ACP, Director. FPB,
- 46. Sh. Amar Pal Verma, Inspector FPB,
- 47. Sh. A.D. Sah, SSO-I(FP),CFSL, CBI

### **VIII. Haryana-Madhuban**

- 48. Sh. Vikram Kapoor, Dy SP, FPB
- 49. Sh. Narayan Prasad, Inspector, FPB

### **IX. Himachal Pradesh-Shimla**

- 50. Smt.. Punita Bhardwaj, IPS, S.P (CID) CRIME & DIRECTOR
- 51. Sh. Vijay Kumar Sharma, Dy SP, FPBX.

### **X. Jharkhand-Ranchi**

- 52. Sh. Neeruj Sahay, State Examiner of FP

### **XI. Kerala- Thiruvananthapuram**

- 53. Sh. Dr. K. Vijayakumaran Nair, Director (SP)

### **XII. Madhya Pradesh-Bhopal**

- 54. Sh. Purushotham Sharma, IPS, ADGP55.
- 55. Sh. P.C. Yadav, Dy SP
- 56. Sh. R.A. Khan, Dy SP

### **XIII. Maharastra-Pune**

- 57. Sh. S.R. Gaikwad, Sr. PI, FPB

### **XIV. Mizoram-Aizawl**



58. Sh. H. Sangchungnunga, Joint Director, FSL

### **XV. Odisha-Bhubaneswar**

59. Sh. M.A. Akhaya, IPS, IGP cum Director, SCRB.

60. Sh. Gopal Krushna Mishra, Inspector

### **XVI. Puducherry**

61. Sh. M. Prasad Rao, PI, SFPB

62. Sh. R. Arimadhivendan, FP Expert/ASI

### **XVII. Punjab-Phillaur**

63. Sh. Pradeep Kumar, Dy SP cum Director, FPB

64. Sh. Munish Kumar, SI, FPB

### **XVIII. Rajasthan-Jaipur**

65. Sh. Mohan Lal Sharma, Dy SP, FPB

66. Sh. Alok Srivastava, Inspector, FPB

67. Sh. Mukut Singh Chauhan, Inspector, FPB

### **XIX. Tamilnadu-Chennai**

68. Sh. S.Krishna-murthy, SP, FPB

69. Sh..V.Subburaman, Dy SP

### **XX. West Bengal-Kolkata**

70. Sh. Tamal Basu, IPS, SSP CID (HQ)

71. Sh. Dipankar Chakrabarthy, I/c Director, FPB