



Credibility Alliance's New Chairperson Mr Jagadananda

What's News

- **Credibility Alliance has a New Chairperson**
- **Central Accreditation Committee (CAC) meeting held in Delhi office**
- **Credibility Alliance has subscribed to Philanthropy magazine for its members**
- **HR Workshop held in Kolkata**

Credibility Alliance congratulates Mr. Jagadananda, who took over as the Chairperson from Mr Mathew Cherian

At the 6th AGM of Credibility Alliance held in Delhi on October 23rd, 2010, Mr..Jagadananda was elected as the new Chairperson. Mr Mathew Cherian, whose term ended, stepped down from the board and Mr Jagadananda was elected to replace him.

Mr Jagadananda is the State Information Commissioner at the Orissa Information Commission in India and has been a social activist for more than three decades. Until recently, he was leading CYSD (Centre for Youth and Social Development), a grassroots organization working with the tribal and rural poor in Orissa.



He has been the convener of the National Social Watch Coalition, Chairperson of the Voluntary Action Network of India (VANI), Chair of Sa-Dhan, the national network of community development micro finance institutions and Member, National Council on Agrarian reform. He was also actively involved in the National Campaign for Electoral Reform and the Drive against Bribe campaign using the Right To Information (RTI) in 2007.

As a senior Visiting Fellow of CIVICUS he spent considerable time in Africa, Latin America, East Asia and North America in 2004/2005 including the Hauser Centre for Non Profits at the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

The other office bearers who completed their terms are Mr B N Makhija, Mr Venkat Krishnan, Mr Yogesh Kumar, Mr George Varughese and Mr Shyamal Deb. Dr Armaity Desai also stepped down due to health reasons.

The other new members elected to the governing body are Mr Bhushan Punani as the Treasurer, Mr Mukul Goswami, Dr Gautam Vohra, and Captain VP Singh.

Credibility Alliance welcomes our new Board Members with best wishes.

Announcement



Americares India present the 'Spirit of Humanity Awards 2011'

Inviting entries for CSO Partners' Annual Report awards

Second Central Accreditation Committee (CAC) Meeting Held in Delhi

Credibility Alliance organized second CAC meeting on 27th November 2010 in Delhi office Dwarka. In this CAC Meeting 19 organization were discussed for Accreditation . The CAC recommended 12 VO's for accreditation.

Credibility Alliance is delighted to inform that CA Members/ Accredited VOs are now linked to their respective home page on Guide Star India website.

Credibility Alliance has subscribed to Philanthropy magazine

Credibility Alliance has subscribed to magazine "Philanthropy" published by Center for Advancement of Philanthropy for its member organizations. It is a bimonthly magazine. If you are a member and have not received your copy of Sept-Oct 2010 issue, please write to info@credall.org.in



AmeriCares India Presents the 'Spirit of Humanity Awards

AmeriCares India will host the second edition of the 'Spirit of Humanity Awards' on April 2nd, 2011 (Sat) in Mumbai. The event will precede WHO declared World Health Day commemorated on April 7th. Organizations doing exemplary work in the healthcare space among the underprivileged in India will be facilitated in 10 different categories like Women's Health, Child Nutrition etc. In addition to honoring organizations already doing great work, one of the key aims of these awards is to encourage individuals and NGOs to focus on healthcare challenges in the country. Currently, less than 7% of NGOs in India are working in the healthcare sector. This event will also create awareness about various health issues prevalent in the country as well as showcase best practices undertaken by the various NGOs.

NGOs from all across India working in the healthcare space are invited to apply. The winning NGO will receive a trophy along with a cash award of Rs. 1,00,000/- and a citation autographed by the distinguished Jury. Details on how to apply and the last date for applications will be shared shortly.

About AmeriCares India:

AmeriCares India is the India operations of AmeriCares, a global non-profit organization involved with disaster relief and humanitarian aid work (www.americaresindia.org/aboutus). Over the past fifteen years, AmeriCares has worked closely with state governments and leading nonprofit organizations in India to deliver \$48 million worth of life-saving medicines and medical supplies. Currently, AmeriCares works with international and local charitable organizations in India, including non-governmental agencies, hospitals, the Ministry of Health and other organizations to assess humanitarian needs and respond to those that are most critical. More information on AmeriCares India can be found at www.americaresindia.org/aboutus

Globally, AmeriCares has provided nearly \$10 Billion of aid to 147 countries since its founding in 1982. More information on AmeriCares' global programs can be found at www.americares.org

Credibility Alliance organized workshop in Kolkata on 10th Nov 2010

Credibility Alliance conducted a workshop on 10th Nov 2010 at CINI Asha, Kolkata. The sessions were conducted by Dr Hara Prassana Das on Human Resource Policy. The Gist of this Workshop was as follows .

“If People are to be the source of new ideas and a prerequisite for organisational effectiveness, the responsibility of HR is to help the staff be aligned to the purpose and direction of organization through capacity building , succession planning and building trust.”



Dr.Hara Prassana Das conducting the session

Voluntary Organisations Development & Management Training at Action for Agriculture Renewal in Maharashtra (AFARM) on 30th November 2010

The Training was organized at AFARM training centre at Ranje village, 25 Km away from Pune. Ms Veena Gondhalekar from CA Mumbai office was invited to talk on ‘Good Governance, accountability & transparency’.

AFARM is an association of more than 300 Voluntary Organisations working in rural development . It provides training , technical guidance & help to these organizations. There were 22 participants for this training

Ms Veena informed the participants about the norms, both Minimum & Desirable. She also explained about the membership, Process of Accreditation & compliance of norms. Organisation's requested Credibility Alliance to develop related material & forms in Marathi language also.



Credibility Alliance Membership cycle has been changed

Credibility Alliance has changed the membership cycle from April-March to January-December. This has been done because of change of last date of filing of FCRA return and in order to give you sufficient time to provide the required updated details & documents like Annual report (which you publish within 8 months from financial year ending) etc.

Now, the VO has to renew its membership on or before 31st December every year by submitting the Membership renewal Form along with documents and required fee of Rs. 500/-.

For the year 2011, existing member VOs need to pay only Rs 375 for renewal. Since this is the first year the change is being done, CA will accept renewal applications till January 15th, 2011.

VOs which have not renewed their membership last year(April 2010) or any of the previous years, will be liable to give their arrears of balance fee @Rs500 /- per year plus the fee for the year 2011.

For clarifications, please contact Mr Srivastava in Delhi office or Ms Veena in Mumbai office.

INVITING ENTRIES FOR ANNUAL REPORT AWARDS

CSO Partners is pleased to present the Third Outstanding Annual Report Awards for the Voluntary Sector organized jointly with Financial Management Service Foundation (FMSF) and Credibility Alliance.

For details, pls visit announcement section on the CA site, www.credall.org.in

Last date for submission of entries is January 10, 2011

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