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MESSAGE

It gives me immense pleasure to know that Foreign Service Institute (FSI), Ministry of External Affairs of India is launching a quarterly Newsletter *Videsh Sewa*. I congratulate FSI for the commendable efforts done to show this the light of the day.

FSI, which is an integral part of MEA, has trained new entrants to the Indian Foreign Service (IFS) for more than three decades. Over the years, the mandate of FSI has become more widespread. Every member of the MEA family gets trained at FSI at some point of her/his career. FSI also trains personnel from other government departments who are posted to Indian Missions/Posts.

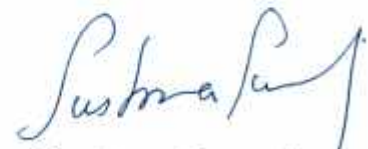
FSI plays an important role in the development partnership programme of MEA and furthering South-South Cooperation. More than 2500 diplomats from 180 countries have undergone training in FSI. This number continues to rise rapidly. FSI's recent initiative to have an online alumni portal for foreign diplomats trained at FSI is in the spirit of *Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam* - 'the world is one family'.

I am delighted to see the diversity in training programmes imparted at FSI. I see that there is perfect blend of theory and practice in the training pedagogy used by the Institute. I have no doubt that FSI is playing a remarkable role in chiseling the skills of Indian as well as foreign diplomats and preparing them for their mission.

The Newsletter is an excellent initiative to provide an overview of activities and training programmes being conducted at FSI. It reflects the Institute's commitment towards sharing its expertise. *Videsh Sewa* is the beginning of a new chapter in the history of FSI.

I wish the FSI team all success.

New Delhi
04 April 2019


(Sushma Swaraj)

Editor's Desk



From the Dean's desk



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Foreign Service Institute (FSI) of the Ministry of External Affairs has made great strides during the more than three decades of its existence since 1986. It is today the premier institution in the country for training of diplomats, both Indian and foreign. The number of training courses conducted, methodology/pedagogy of training, etc. have evolved over time with numerous innovations to meet the diplomatic challenges of the 21st century. The focus today is on intensive courses imparting essential knowledge and diplomatic skills.

FSI training courses for Indian diplomats cover the entire range from newly-inducted Indian Foreign Service (IFS) Officer Trainees to three levels of Mid-Career Training Programmes (MCTPs) to first-time Heads of Missions. In fact, everyone in Missions abroad from Defence Attaches to Cultural Centre Heads to Commercial Representatives and right down to non-representational grade personnel of the Ministry do a stint in FSI.

In parallel, FSI's training vertical for foreign diplomats has gained salience in recent years from the flagship biannual Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFDs) to annual modules in regional frameworks to special thematic training courses to tailor-made, country-specific programmes. This outreach is buttressed by 80 MoUs signed by FSI with counterpart foreign institutions. Amidst all this, there was a much felt need for the foreign alumni numbering over 2500 diplomats from 180 countries to remain in touch with FSI. This was addressed last year when the External Affairs Minister of India launched the alumni network for foreign diplomats which has since been rolled out and is fully operational.

Another long-standing gap in the rapidly expanding scope of FSI activities has been the absence of a Newsletter. I am extremely happy that FSI is now launching the first edition of its quarterly Newsletter 'Videsh Sewa'. The first edition focuses on capturing and showcasing FSI's numerous programmes and activities during 2018-19. The e-version of the Newsletter will be disseminated via the newly-started alumni portal as outreach to our foreign diplomat friends.

I would like to compliment all concerned in FSI and particularly members of the Editorial Board for this endeavour. The Newsletter is yet another step in FSI's quest to become a state-of-the-art centre of excellence for diplomatic training in India and beyond.

New Delhi
April 2019


(J.S. Mukul)
Dean (FSI)

Highlights of 2018

TRAINING FOR OFFICER TRAINEES/ INDIAN DIPLOMATS AND OFFICIALS

Foreign Service Institute (FSI) conducts six months training programme for the Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer trainees (OTs). The purpose of the training programme for OTs is to expose them to the basics of all aspects of India's foreign policy; relevant domestic issues; management/housekeeping tools; diplomatic skills, diaspora and consular issues and other aspects including conversation, writing, negotiations and public speaking skills. FSI additionally provides training to foreign diplomats from various countries apart from training to Indian diplomats and officials.

2017 Batch IFS OTs

The IFS Officer Trainees of the 2017 batch joined the FSI for induction level training after completing their three months long Foundation Course at Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration (LBSNAA) in December 2017 for a six-month long training. The training programme of the fresh entrants to diplomatic service includes modules on theories and practice of International Relations, foreign policy, bilateral relations with neighbouring countries and big powers, and multilateral organisations. Modules on finance, accounts, administration, establishment, consular work, passport and visa, international law, protocol, economic & commercial diplomacy, defense diplomacy, cyber security, domestic policy, hospitality and media management are incorporated. Soft power and communication skills are

also stressed upon.

Training is delivered through interactive lectures, group discussions, panel discussions, case studies, role playing and simulation and presentations on topical issues to develop creative thinking.

Hon'ble President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind addressed OTs of 2017 batch of the Indian Foreign Service at



Rashtrapati Bhavan. The President stated that India is fast expanding its global footprint and securing its interests in every part of the world and urged diplomats to help boost economic growth.

As part of the training programme, the Officer Trainees were sent on Mission attachment in different groups to Indian Missions in Bangladesh,

Myanmar, Nepal and Sri Lanka, from 29 January to 2 February 2018. After that they were sent on 'Bharat Darshan' tour from 17 March to 24 March 2018, State attachment from 26 March to 30 March 2018 and Army attachment from 2 April to 6 April 2018. Officer Trainees also called the Hon'ble Vice President and Hon'ble Prime Minister.

A valedictory function was organised on



31 May 2018, which was presided over by Hon'ble External Affairs Minister, Smt. Sushma Swaraj. The following awards were awarded, on the occasion, to deserving Officer Trainees of the 2017 batch.

S no.	Name of the Award	Awardees of 2017 Batch IFS
1.	External Affairs Minister's Gold Medal for the Best Officer Trainee of the 2017 Batch	Mr. Anmol Sher Singh Bedi
2.	Minister of State silver Medal for Overall Personality	Ms. Gaikwad Vishwanjali Murlidhar
3.	Ambassador Bimal Sanyal Memorial Medal for the Best Dissertation	Mr. Niraj Kumar Jha
4.	Trophy for Best Committee	Hostel & Block Committee
5.	Trophies for Best Sports persons	Sundeep Kaushal & Ritu Yadav



Officer Trainees 2018 Batch

Thirty nine Officer Trainees of 2018 batch and two Bhutanese diplomats began their training at Foreign Service Institute on 10th December 2018.



- ▶ A training programme for Commercial Representatives (CRs) from European Union (EU) region was conducted from 25 to 29 June 2018. 18 CRs from the EU region participated in the programme at FSI.



Training for Indian Diplomats and Officials

- ▶ A training programme for Principal Private Secretaries was organised from 8 to 9 March 2018 at Foreign Service Institute in which twenty nine officials participated.
- ▶ Mid-Career Training Programme-III for twenty five IFS officers of 1992 & 1993 batches was conducted from 3 to 20 July 2018. Hon'ble Minister of State External Affairs Gen V. K. Singh (Retd) chaired & addressed the valedictory session of the MCTP-III for 1992 & 1993 batches of IFS officers.



- ▶ Mid-Career Training Programme-I for sixteen Deputy Secretary (DS)/Under Secretary (US) level officers was conducted from 9 to 27 July 2018 at FSI.



- ▶ Mid-Career Training Programme-II was conducted for forty two IFS officers of 2003 & 2004 batches from 3 to 7 September 2018.



- ▶ A training programme was conducted for nineteen Defence Attaches from 8 October to 12 October 2018 at FSI.



- ▶ Indo-US Advanced Licensing and Enforcement Exchange was conducted for ninety seven officers from Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Directorate General of Foreign Trade and Ministry of External Affairs from 29 October to 2 November 2018 at FSI.



- ▶ A training programme was conducted for thirteen Programme Directors of Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) from 30 to 31 October 2018 at FSI.



- ▶ A training programme for Commercial Representatives (CRs) from Gulf, West Asia & North Africa, Eurasia and South Asia regions was conducted from 12 to 16 November 2018 at FSI. 15 CRs from the region participated in the programme.



FSI has launched a special series lecture for the senior officers of MEA. In this series, FSI invited Prof. Jayant R. Varma, Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad to deliver lecture on the topic 'Emerging international financial architecture and trends'. Next lecture in this series was a half day sensitization workshop on 'Disaster Risk Management' in compliance with the Prime Minister's Agenda 10 and Sustainable Development Goals. The workshop was organised for the senior officers of MEA on 5 November, 2018. Executive Director, National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) and Associate Professor, NIDM addressed the participants on 'Disaster Risk Management and Harnessing Synergies'.

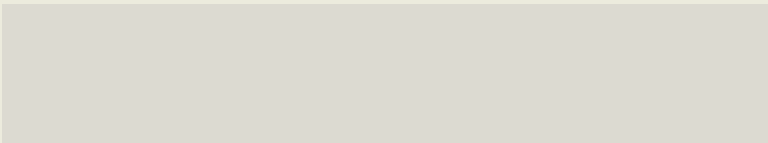
Training for Foreign Diplomats



- ▶ Foreign Service Institute organised the first Special Course for Iraqi and Syrian diplomats from 15 to 25 January 2018. A total of fifty one delegates from Iraq and Syria participated. The Dean of Syrian Foreign Service Academy accompanied the participants. Though, it was for the first time that a group of Syrian diplomats were trained in Foreign Service Institute, it was the second such programme for the Iraqi diplomats.



- ▶ The sixty fifth Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFD) was organised by Foreign Service Institute from 7 March to 6 April 2018. Fifty one diplomats from forty one different countries participated in the Course. The Course was started in the year 1992 and is the flagship Course for foreign diplomats. One of the core principles of India's Foreign Policy has been to work towards building a peaceful, secure and stable world, particularly through forging mutually beneficial relationships with developing countries. PCFD affirms the commitment of India to its friendly countries in sharing the knowledge and expertise in the field of diplomats' training.



- ▶ The second Special Course for Somali Diplomats was organised by FSI from 9 May to 8 June 2018. Twenty diplomats from Somalia participated in the Course.



- ▶ The first Special Course for the Gambian diplomats was organised by FSI from 20 June to 20 July 2018. Twenty diplomats from Gambia participated in the Course. On 11 July 2018, the participants made a country presentation, which gave a detailed insight about Gambian history, culture and politics.



- ▶ The first Special Course for Nigerian diplomats was conducted by FSI from 30 July to 10 August 2018. Twenty five Nigerian Diplomats participated in the course. A special interactive session under the aegis of Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) was organised where ten Indian business houses also participated in the event.



- ▶ At the request from Heads of Missions (HoMs) during informal interactions, the very first Familiarisation Programme for Resident Heads of Mission was organised by FSI from 20 to 24 August 2018. Twenty Heads of Mission from Latin America and Caribbean countries participated in the programme.



- ▶ The sixty sixth Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFD) was organised by FSI from 12 September to 12 October 2018. Fifty one diplomats from forty five different countries participated in the Course. The cultural programme brought together diplomats on to the same stage indicating that culture is the common platform across political spectrum.

- ▶ The first Joint Training Program for Afghan diplomats was organised by FSI from 15 October to 26 October 2018. Fifteen Afghan diplomats participated in the programme. The event was jointly organised by India and China. The programme was a follow up to the Wuhan Summit of April 2018, to strengthen cooperation between the three countries.



- ▶ The first Special Course for Tunisian Diplomats was organised by FSI from 29 October to 9 November 2018. Fifty diplomats participated in the Course. They were accompanied by the Director General and the Course Coordinator of the Diplomatic Institute of Tunisia.



- ▶ An intensive one-week course on 'Diplomacy and Foreign Policy – An Indian Perspective' for diplomats from Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) countries, was organised by FSI from 14th to 20th November 2018. This Course was the fourth edition of the successful week long courses for diplomats from Asia and Europe. Twenty Four diplomats from ASEM countries participated in the course.



- ▶ Pursuant to the fourth India-ASEAN Summit at Kuala Lumpur on 13 December 2005, India has been conducting training programme for diplomats from the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN). FSI in coordination with the ASEAN Secretariat, evolved a programme called, "Special Course for ASEAN Diplomats". The first Special Course for ASEAN Diplomats was held at FSI from 21 August to 22 September 2006. The twelfth Special Course for ASEAN Diplomats was organised from 14 to 27 November 2018. Thirteen diplomats participated in the event.





- ▶ Consequent to Memorandum of Understanding signed by Foreign Service Institute with Myanmar, the first Special Course for Myanmar diplomats was organised from 14 to 27 November 2018. A total of 10 diplomats from Myanmar participated.



- ▶ The third Special Course for Bangladeshi Diplomats was organised by Foreign Service Institute from 19 November to 2 December 2018. Twenty three trainees along with their Principal and Vice Principal participated in the Course. The first Course for Bangladeshi diplomats was organised in 2012 and the second Course was organised in 2017.



- ▶ The first Special Course for Iranian Diplomats was organised by FSI from 26 November to 8 December 2018. A total of twenty four diplomats from Iran participated in the Course. The Iranian diplomats gave a very positive feedback about Indian hospitality and cherished the India-Iran ties.

Training for Officials and other Programmes in 2018

S.N	Training	From	To
1	Accounts Module	10 January	11 January
2	Typing test for Assistant Section Officers	11 January	(One day)
3	68th Integrated Mission Accounting System (IMAS)	15 January	12 February
4	45th Know India Programme	30 January	31 January
5	46th Know India Programme	13 February	(One day)
6	Integrated Mission Accounting System IMAS Retest	16 February	(One day)
7	Promotion Related Training for Section Officers and Private Secretaries	15 February	16 February
8	Promotion Related Training for Personal Assistants	20 February	21 February
9	Promotion Related Training for Assistant Section Officers	28 February	01 March
10	Promotion Related Training for Senior Secretariat Assistant, Junior Secretariat Assistant and Stenographers	06 March	07 March
11	Immigration, Visa and Foreigners Registration and Tracking (IVFRT)	19 March	21 March
12	Basic Training Module I	13 April	20 April
13	Multi Tasking Staff Training I	26 April	03 May
14	Immigration, Visa and Foreigners Registration and Tracking	01 May	03 May
15	Accounts Module	28 May	29 May
16	69th Integrated Mission Accounting System	30 May	26 June
17	Promotion related Training Program for Section Officers and Private Secretaries	14 June	15 June
18	Integrated Mission Accounting System Retest	03 July	05 July
19	Typing test for Assistant Section Officers		
20	Promotion related Training for Assistant Section Officers, Personal Assistants, Senior Secretariat Assistant, Junior Secretariat Assistants and Stenographers	09 July	10 July
21	Basic Training Module II	18 July	25 July
22	Immigration, Visa and Foreigners Registration and Tracking	1 August	7 August
23	Accounts Module	23 August	24 August
24	70th Integrated Mission Accounting System	27 August	17 September
25	Multi Tasking Staff Training II	17 September	24 September
26	Typing test for Assistant Section Officers	26 September	One day
27	Integrated Mission Accounting System Retest	27 September	One day
28	47th Know India Programme	28 September	One day
29	Immigration, Visa and Foreigners Registration and Tracking	08 October	11 October
30	48th Know India Programme	26 October	One day
31	Multi Tasking Staff Training II	29 October	2 November
32	Accounts Module	13 November	14 November
33	49th Know India Programme	22 November	One day
34	71st Integrated Mission Accounting System	15 November	07 December
35	Integrated Mission Accounting System Retest	14 December	One day
36	Basic Training Module III	17 December	24 December

A Glimpse of Cultural Extravaganza at the Foreign Service Institute



Cultural performance by participants of 65 Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats at Foreign Service Institute on 6 April 2018.

Cultural performance by participants of 66 Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats at Foreign Service Institute on 12 October, 2018.

Simba (Grenada)-1st Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Course, Andre (Barbados) - 63rd Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats, Melinda (Dominica) - 65th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats, Sheldon (Saint Kitts & Nevis) - 64th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats. All in one frame on 12 November, 2018 with the help of FSI alumni portal. FSI is the common thread.



Feel of Indian Culture by Gambian diplomats, 20 July, 2018.



Yoga session for ASEM participants, 17th November, 2018.

Know India Programme

Know India Programme (KIP) is a flagship initiative for diaspora engagement which familiarises Indian-origin youth (18-30 years) with their Indian roots and contemporary India, through a three-week orientation programme organised by the Ministry of External Affairs. The programme aims to promote awareness of Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs) and Overseas Citizens of India (OCIs) about life in

India and the advancements made by the country in different spheres like science & technology, economy, industry and commerce, communication and information, education, and connects the Indian diaspora youth with Indian roots, culture and heritage.

In 2016, the scheme was revamped to increase duration from 21 to 25 days, with a ten day visit to one or two States

in India, and preference is given to PIOs from Girmitya countries. Under the programme, Indian-origin youth submit their applications for participation to the Indian Missions/Posts abroad. A maximum of 40 Indian diaspora youth are selected for each programme and are provided full hospitality in India. In 2018 five Know India Programmes participants attended modules at FSI.



Participants of Know India Programme, 2018

Field Visits



▶ *Iraqi & Syrian Diplomats visit Agra Fort on 20 January 2018*



◀ *Iraqi & Syrian Diplomats visit Taj Mahal on 20 January 2018*



▶ *Indian Foreign Service Officer Trainees of 2017 batch visit Kathmandu on a neighboring Mission attachment to Nepal in January, 2018*



▶ *Indian Foreign Service Officer Trainees of 2017 batch visit Bhairab Bridge in Bangladesh on 5 February 2018*



Participants of the 66th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFD) visit the Indian Express Office on 24 September 2018



12 Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), 4th Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) and 1st Special Course for Myanmar diplomats visit the Taj Mahal, Agra on 18 November 2018



Visit to Election Commission by Somali diplomats on 16 May 2018



Visit to Jaipur by the participants of 65th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFD) on 29 March 2018



Participants of the 66th Professional Course for Foreign Diplomats (PCFD) visit the office of Infosys Limited on 1 October 2018



Bangladeshi trainee diplomats call on the Hon'ble Vice President of India on 22 November 2018



Visit of Bangladeshi Diplomats to the office of Tech Mahindra, Hyderabad on 26 November 2018



Visit to Fatepur Sikri by Iranian diplomats on 2 December 2018



12th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) course participants visit the National Gallery of Modern Art, New Delhi on 23 November 2018



Participants of the 1st Special Course for Tunisian diplomats visit Rashtrapati Bhawan on 2 November 2018



Visit to India Gate by Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) diplomats on 25 November 2018

Eminent Visitors during 2018



Shri Ravi Shankar Prasad (Hon'ble Minister of Law & Justice and Electronics & Information Technology, Government of India) delivered a lecture on 4th July 2018 at FSI during the Mid-Career Training Programme – III.



General Vijay Kumar Singh (Hon'ble Minister of State for External Affairs) interacted with the participants of Mid-Career Training Programme – II at FSI on 7th September, 2018.



Shri Hardeep Singh Puri (Hon'ble MoS (i/c) Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India) visited FSI on 23rd April and delivered a lecture to the IFS OTs of the 2017 batch.



Shri P.P. Chaudhary (Hon'ble Minister of State, Law and Justice, and Corporate Affairs, Government of India) delivered a lecture in FSI on 6th July 2018, during the Mid-Career Training Programme – III.



Admiral Sunil Lanba (AVSM, PVSM, ADC, 23rd Chief of the Naval Staff of the Indian Navy) delivered a lecture and interacted with the participants of the Mid-Career Training Programme – III at FSI on 3rd July 2018.



Mrs. Cherie Blair (British barrister, lecturer, and writer. She is married to Tony Blair) visited FSI on 15th March 2018 and interacted with the IFS Officer Trainees of the 2017 batch on the theme 'Where Law Meets Politics'.

Visitors to FSI



Students of University of New South Wales, Australia visited FSI, on 15 January 2018.

The students from Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) countries paid a visit to Pravasi Bharatiya Kendra during their stay at FSI on 10 May 2018.

The students from the University of Giessen, Germany visited FSI on 4 December 2018.

Dr. K. Sudhakar, Kidney Transplant Surgeon, Indira Gandhi Government General Hospital & Post Graduate Institute, Pondicherry, delivered an insightful lecture on the topic 'Save Your Kidney' on 10 December 2018. The lecture was attended by the staff of FSI.



FSI Outreach

FSI has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with various countries as a part of its outreach programme. Below is the list of MoUs signed till end 2018.

SL	Name of country	Date	SL	Name of country	Date
1	Peru	26 May 1997	39	Iraq	23 August 2013
2	Russia	10 June 1999	40	Liberia	11 September 2013
3	Uruguay	06 December 1999	41	Kuwait	08 November 2013
4	Sudan	09 April 2000	42	Macedonia	17 December 2013
5	Chile	10 August 2000	43	Bahrain	19 February 2014
6	Argentina	30 August 2000	44	Fiji	19 November 2014
7	Guyana	28 November 2000	45	Costa Rica	16 March 2015
8	Croatia	05 January 2001	46	Qatar	25 March 2015
9	Panama	02 February 2001	47	Mongolia	17 May 2015
10	Egypt	03 February 2001	48	Trinidad & Tobago	05 June 2015
11	Colombia	05 March 2001	49	Turkmenistan	11 July 2015
12	Cuba	13 March 2002	50	Jordan	11 October 2015
13	Tunisia	07 May 2002	51	Maldives	11 October 2015
14	Palestine	29 August 2003	52	Montenegro	20 May 2016
15	Canada	13 October 2003	53	Morocco	31 May 2016
16	Uzbekistan	06 November 2003	54	Ghana	13 June 2016
17	Bulgaria	28 July 2004	55	Intra-BRICS	16 October 2016
18	Afghanistan	01 September 2004	56	Kyrgyzstan	20 December 2016
19	Venezuela	02 September 2004	57	Turkey	1 May 2017
20	Namibia	24 February 2005	58	Spain	30 May 2017
21	Norway	17 June 2005	59	Germany	31 May 2017
22	Saudi Arabia	24 June 2005	60	Dominican Republic	03 October 2017
23	Mexico	21 October 2005	61	Italy	30 November 2017
24	Indonesia	23 November 2005	62	Syria	25 January 2018
25	Ecuador	18 July 2006	63	Oman	11 February 2018
26	Romania	23 October 2006	64	Azerbaijan	04 April 2018
27	Brazil	12 September 2007	65	Guatemala	7 May 2018
28	Serbia	17 September 2007	66	Ethiopia	9 May 2018
29	Philippines	05 October 2007	67	Myanmar	10 May 2018
30	Nigeria	15 October 2007	68	Netherlands	23 May 2018
31	Czech Republic	19 November 2007	69	Somalia	5 June 2018
32	Ukraine	28 March 2008	70	Greece	18 June 2018
33	South Africa	04 June 2010	71	Suriname	20 June 2018
34	IBSA	18 October 2011	72	Seychelles	24 June 2018
35	Korea	21 March 2012	73	UAE	25 June 2018
36	Yemen	03 April 2012	74	Cambodia	29 Aug 2018
37	Bangladesh	10 February 2013	75	Malta	17 Sep 2018
38	Iran	04 May 2013	76	Tanzania	16 Oct 2018



New Postings

List of Foreign Service Institute personnel who joined the Institute in 2018

Sl. No.	Name	Designation
1	Shri Oscar Kerketta	Additional Secretary
2	Shri Rahul Shrivastava	Joint Secretary
3	Shri R.K. Chandolia	Economic Advisor
4	Dr. N.K. Kumaresan Raja	Deputy Dean (Academic)
5	Dr. Rajiv Kaushik	Faculty
6	Dr. Shikha Gupta	Faculty
7	Dr. Shilpa Bagade	Faculty
8	Dr. Amit Kumar Gupta	Faculty
9	Shri Rajendra Meena	Assistant Section Officer
10	Shri O.P.Meena	Assistant Section Officer
11	Shri Rabindra Das	Multi Tasking Staff
12	Shri Indrajeet	Multi Tasking Staff

List of Foreign Service Institute personnel who were bid adieu from the Institute in 2018

Sl. No.	Name	Designation
1	Smt. Sangeeta Bahadur	Additional Secretary
2	Shri Oscar Kerketta	Additional Secretary
3	Shri Manish	Joint Secretary
4	Shri Rajiv Mishra	Economic Advisor
5	Smt. Shradha Gautam	OS Assistant
6	Shri Vipin Kumar	OS Assistant
7	Shri Amit Kumar	OS Messenger
8	Shri Sumit	OS Messenger

Pedagogy



New Initiatives

In 2018, an Academic Wing was established at Foreign Service Institute, which is headed by Deputy Dean (Academic) and comprises of four faculty members.

In the same year the Institute launched its Alumni Portal for its foreign delegates. Till the end of 2018 a total of 117 course titles were added, and a total of 2721 members and 134 Missions have registered in the portal.



A structural mentoring programme was introduced for IFS OTs of 2017 batch with each OT attached to a Joint Secretary as mentor for five years to act as friend, philosopher and guide.

FSI became a member of the International Forum for Diplomatic Training (IFDT)



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About Foreign Service Institute

The Foreign Service Institute (FSI) was established in 1986 by the Government of India primarily to cater to the professional training needs of the Indian Foreign Service and the Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi. Foreign Service Institute has diversified its activities to include Courses for foreign diplomats in its efforts to build bridges of friendship and cooperation with countries around the world and Courses of interest to staff and officers at all levels of the Ministry of External Affairs as well as other Civil Services. The Institute is located at Baba Gangnath Marg, Old JNU Campus, New Delhi.

Foreign Service Institute is headed by the Dean, a senior Foreign Service officer of the rank of Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs. The current Dean is Amb. J.S. Mukul. The Foreign Service Institute, primarily has an extensive guest faculty drawn from experts in the field of academics and research, the media, public life, industry and trade, senior serving and retired diplomats and other government officials.

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