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Government of India
Ministry of Communications & Information Technology
Department of Information Technology
National Informatics Centre
A-Block, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi – 110 003

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Dated: 23.01.2007

Subject: Constitution of Committee for formulating 'Policy and Procedures for Implementation of Web Accessibility Standards.'

The undersigned is directed to say that with the approval of the Competent Authority, a Committee for formulating '**Policy and Procedures for Implementation of Web Accessibility Standards**' consisting of the following members is constituted:

Chairman

Shri A. Mohan, Deputy Director General & SIO, NIC, Tamil Nadu State Unit.

Members:

1. Dr. V.V.S. Murthy, Scientist 'F', NIC-HQs., New Delhi.
2. Mrs. Neeta Verma, Scientist 'F', NIC-HQs., New Delhi.
3. Shri D.C. Misra, Scientist 'F', NIC-HQs., New Delhi.
4. Dr.(Mrs.) Savita Dawar, Scientist 'F', NIC-HQs., New Delhi.
5. Shri V. Raghunathan, Scientist 'F' & SIO, NIC, Kerala State Unit.
6. Mrs. Suchitra Pyarelal, Scientist 'E', NIC-HQs., New Delhi - Convenor.

The Committee shall in the Policy address the following issues:

1. Adherence by HOGs/HODs/SIOs to Basic W3C Standards by all existing portals Web-enabled applications.
2. Once the basic W3C standards are implemented all HOGs/HODs/SIOs must ensure that all existing portals and web-enabled applications adhere to Web accessibility-W3C standards as a second activity/phase.
3. It must be made mandatory that all the new web sites/portals/web applications implement the Basic W3C Standards and Web accessibility standards.
4. Data centres of Head Quarters and State Unit should have conformance mechanisms to verify and ensure that all web sites/portal/web applications hosted by NIC are complaint with W3C standards.
5. The Case studies and procedures prepared by NIC Collabcad division and E-Governance Standards division may be taken as the sample documents for the procedures.

The Terms of Reference of the Committee is as follows:

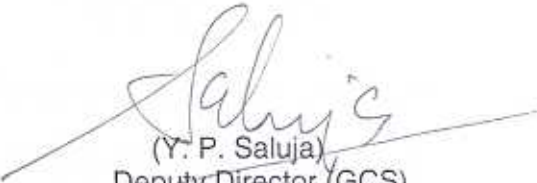
1. Committee shall formulate the Policy for implementation of Web Accessibility Standards.
2. Committee shall bring out the procedure that shall be made mandatory for all NIC professionals for implementation.
3. Committee shall formulate the migration path for the existing web sites and applications in a phased manner.
4. Committee shall indicate that the time frame for migration of the existing web sites and applications.

The Committee shall submit its draft document on 'Policy for Web Content Accessibility Standards' by 28.02.2007.


(Y. P. Saluja)
Deputy Director (GCS)

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1. PS to DG for information of DG (NIC) please.
2. All Concerned Members.
3. Dr. P. Balasubramanian, Scientist 'F', NIC-HQs., New Delhi...for information please.
4. Mrs. Suchitra Pyarelal, Scientist 'E', NIC-Hqs., New Delhi ---Convenor.


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