

## Press release

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### **Indian institutions for Public Administration sign agreement with ENSA Morocco for cooperation in training and capacity building**

In a significant step toward strengthening bilateral ties, two of India's premier institutions—the National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) and the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA)—signed Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with Morocco's École Nationale Supérieure de l'Administration (ENSA) in Rabat today for cooperation in training and capacity building of public servants across both nations.

The MoUs were signed by the Director General of ENSA Madam Nada Biaz, and the Ambassador of India to the Kingdom of Morocco Mr. Sanjay Rana, who represented the Indian institutions. Dr. Surendrakumar Bagde, Director General of the National Centre for Good Governance, and Mr. S. N. Tripathi, Director General of the Indian Institute of Public Administration, along with senior officials and experts from India joined the signing ceremony.

Speaking on the occasion, ENSA Director General Madam Biaz said that the signing of the agreements reflects the spirit of collaboration and the shared commitment of Morocco and India to promoting excellence in public administration, leadership, and governance. She added that the signing of these agreements would enable the development of joint programs, leadership initiatives, and knowledge sharing platforms.

Ambassador Sanjay Rana described the signing as an important milestone in the growing India–Morocco partnership and noted that it reflects the shared vision of Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi and His Majesty Mohammed VI the King of Morocco to deepen bilateral cooperation through capacity building, institutional linkages, and people-centric governance.

Highlighting the synergies between the two nations, Mr. S.N. Tripathi, Director General of IIPA, noted that India's expertise in managing scale, diversity, and use of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for citizen-centric services complements Morocco's robust institutional frameworks and reform-driven administration. Dr. Surendrakumar Bagde, Director General of the NCGG, expressed confidence that the collaboration between ENSA, NCGG, and IIPA will move beyond theoretical cooperation to deliver well-trained public officials, rigorous joint research, and enduring professional networks.

The new agreements further bolster the long-standing partnership between India and Morocco under the Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) program. As India's flagship capacity-building initiative, over 900 Moroccan professionals have participated in specialized training programmes in India over the last 10 years in diverse sectors such as Information Technology, Cyber Security, and Water Management, Accounting, Administration. This latest collaboration reinforces the commitment of both nations to South-South cooperation, creating a sustainable pathway for the exchange of technical expertise and the development of future-ready administrative leaders.

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