

Extract of page 2, 3, 25 and 26 of the Memorandum of Association (MOA) /BYE-LAWS:

(Full version of MoA/Bye-laws is available in <https://www.ncscm.res.in/wp-content/uploads/download/MOA.pdf>)

Functions of NCSCM

NCSCM shall perform all required functions in fulfillment of its objectives, including but not limited to the following:

- A. Congregate and propagate knowledge in partnership with relevant national and international institutions, including the following:
 - a. Collect and compile all relevant and credible data on ICZM in India and outside; update such data periodically; and create and maintain mechanisms for easy access and dissemination of all such data;
 - b. Review and analyze information gathered from the other countries on application of ICZM with aims to identify, compile and develop documentation on the best practices, successes and failures of ICZM;
 - c. Develop wider understanding of the coastal and marine area related activities in India to recommend suitable ICZM applications to the Indian context.

- B. Carry out applied, advanced and futuristic research, in partnership with relevant national and international institutions, to fulfill the aims of building the requisite research skills, knowledge and capacity needed in India for effective management of the coastal and marine areas; with specific focus to the following:
 - a. Conservation of the living and non-living resources of the coastal and marine areas;
 - b. Security of life, property and livelihood, and building resilience and adaptation capacity of the coastal and island communities;
 - c. Promoting role of women in management of the resources of the coastal and marine areas;
 - d. Promotion of environmentally sustainable and socially responsible equitable economic growth and development in the coastal areas.

- C. Actively promote opportunities for young researchers in India to undertake applied research, studies, national and international training and all such other relevant programs so as to build the skill and capacity base necessary for managing the country's coastal and marine areas in future;

- D. Documentation and dissemination of practical management applications related to ICZM, including guidelines, tools, analytical models and manuals for planning and implementation of ICZM plans; including all such activities required to prepare such guidelines, tools, analytical models and manuals;
- E. Capacity building of Union and State Government staff and officials involved in the regulation and management of coastal and marine areas in India; including organizing training programs for such capacity building;
- F. Providing platform for exchange of views and soliciting agreements among coastal and island communities, experts and government agencies with respect to regulation and management of the coastal and marine areas;
- G. Advisory to Union and State Governments and other stakeholders, in pursuance of the aim and objectives of NCSCM, including undertaking all such activities needed to provide such advisory support;
- H. Developing and maintaining websites; organizing conferences, meetings and workshops; and undertaking all other similar activities to achieve the objectives of NCSCM;
- I. Receiving funds, grants, endowments, and use these in furtherance of the objectives of the NCSCM as per the rules and regulations of the NCSCM.
- J. Undertaking and/or supporting audits of all accounts of NCSCM; and reporting expenditure to SICOM as per the rules and regulations of the NCSCM
- K. Procuring, operating and maintaining research laboratories, buildings and other civil works, goods and equipment, and other associated services in pursuance of the aims and objectives of NCSCM;
- L. Hiring, contracting or appointing individuals or firms, both national and international; and undertake all such other human resources management functions so as to be able to attract brilliant researchers and highly competent professionals to NCSCM, and to be able to undertake high quality applied, advanced and futuristic research in pursuance of the objectives of NCSCM.

Activities of NCSCM

- A. The objective of the NCSCM is defined in the MOA. The NCSCM has been established by SICOM on behalf of the MoEF to advance the integrated coastal management approaches in India through provision of requisite advanced knowledge and capacity building activities. The activities are defined in the MOA under paragraph 6 as functions of the NCSCM. Specifically, the activities of NCSCM will include the ones described in paragraphs (B) through (K) below:
- B. Congregation and propagation of knowledge in partnership with relevant national and international institutions, including the following:
 - a. Collecting and compiling all relevant and credible data on ICZM in India and outside; updating such data periodically; and creating and maintaining mechanisms for easy access and dissemination of all such data;
 - b. Reviewing and analyzing information gathered from the other countries on application of ICZM with aims to identify, compile and develop documentation on the best practices, successes and failures of ICZM;
 - c. Developing wider understanding of the coastal and marine area related activities in India to recommend suitable ICZM applications to the Indian contexts.
- C. Carrying out applied, advanced and futuristic research, in partnership with relevant national and international institutions, to fulfill the aims of building the requisite research skills, knowledge and capacity needed in India for effective management of the coastal and marine areas; with specific focus to the following:
 - a. Conservation of the living and non-living resources of the coastal and marine areas;
 - b. Security of life, property and livelihood, and building resilience and adaptation capacity of the coastal and island communities;
 - c. Promoting role of women in management of the resources of the coastal and marine areas;
 - d. Promotion of environmentally sustainable and social responsible equitable economic growth and development in the coastal areas.
- D. Actively promoting opportunities for young researchers in India to undertake applied research, studies, national and international training and all such other relevant programs so as to build the skill and capacity base necessary for managing the countries coastal and marine areas in future;

- E. Documenting and disseminating practical management applications related to ICZM, including guidelines, tools, analytical models and manuals for planning and implementation of ICZM plans; including all such activities required to prepare such guidelines, tools, analytical models and manuals;
- F. Capacity building of Union and State Government staff and officials involved in the regulation and management of coastal and marine areas in India; including organizing training programs for such capacity building;
- G. Providing platform for exchange of views and soliciting agreements among coastal and island communities, experts and government agencies with respect to regulation and management of the coastal and marine areas;
- H. Advising the Union and State Governments and other stakeholders, in pursuance of the aim and objectives of NCSCM, including undertaking all such activities needed to provide such advisory support;
- I. Developing and maintaining websites; organizing conferences, meetings and workshops; and undertaking all other similar activities to achieve the objectives of NCSCM;
- J. Procuring, operating and maintaining research laboratories, buildings and other civil works, goods and equipment, and other associated services in pursuance of the aims and objectives of NCSCM;
- K. Hiring, contracting or appointing individuals or firms, both national and international; and undertake all such other human resources management functions so as to be able to attract brilliant researchers and highly competent professionals to NCSCM, and to be able to undertake high quality applied, advanced and futuristic research in pursuance of the objectives of NCSCM.