

Summary of the National Workshop on “Sustainable Consumption and Production” (09.02.2026 to 10.02.2026)

International Centre for Environment Audit & Sustainable Development (iCED) organised a National Workshop on “Sustainable Consumption and Production” on 09th & 10th February 2026 at its own campus. A total of 28 participants from 15 field offices including 13 Group officers participated in the workshop.



Group photo of National Workshop on “Sustainable Consumption and Production”

Dr. Abhishek Gupta, Director General, iCED inaugurated the workshop and welcomed the participants. In his inaugural speech, he highlighted that recently development thinking has shifted beyond economic growth to focus on environmental sustainability, social equity and governance accountability. He stated that Sustainable Consumption and Production is central to the achievement of SDG 12. In the face of growing resource constraints, environmental degradation, and climate change, the way we produce and consume today will determine the sustainability of our future development.

India has demonstrated strong commitment to SDG 12 through initiatives such as Mission LiFE, promotion of resource efficiency, adoption of circular economy models, and strengthened sustainability reporting frameworks. However, effective implementation, continuous monitoring, and robust accountability remain essential for their success.

During this two-day workshop, experts from various reputed institutes like EcoParadigm; Indian Institute of Forest Management (IIFM), Bhopal; International Institute of Waste Management (IIWM), Bengaluru; Indian Railways and Zigma Global Environ Solutions Pvt. Ltd. delivered the sessions during this workshop.

The two days' workshop provided a holistic and in-depth understanding of Sustainable Consumption and Production, including policy and regulatory frameworks; Mission LiFE and SDG-12; national framework indicators and targets of SDG-12; circular economy models for sustainable production and waste reduction; Sustainable Public Procurement; and supporting India on SDG-12 monitoring and reporting.

The discussions during the sessions clearly highlighted the pivotal role of audit institutions in strengthening accountability, transparency and effectiveness in the implementation of policies and programmes related to Sustainable Consumption and Production.

The session-wise details are outlined as follows:

S. No	Resource Person	Session/s
1.	Mr. Pravinjith K.P, Managing Director, EcoParadigm	SDG 12 Monitoring and Reporting – Policies Framework, Data Sources and Comparison to Global Context & National Framework Indicators and Targets of SDG 12
2.	Dr. Yogesh K Dubey, Professor, Indian Institute of Forest Management, Bhopal	Mission LiFE and SDG 12: Promoting Sustainable Lifestyles and Responsible Consumption
3.	Ms. P. Bineesha, Executive Director, International Institute of Waste Management, Bengaluru	Circular Economy Models for Sustainable Production and Waste Reduction
4.	Dr. Jaideep Gupta, IRSEE, Former Additional Member (Railway Electrification), Railway Board & Visiting Professor, Department of Energy Science and Engineering, MANIT, Bhopal	Sustainable Public Procurement: Green Procurement –Indian Railways (Case Study)
5.	Mr. Nagesh Prabhu C.Co-Founder and Director, Zigma Global Environ Solutions Pvt. Ltd	Case Studies of Sustainable Consumption and Production in India

Comprehensive feedback on course designing, duration of workshop and sessions, content, knowledge and its delivery by the resource persons and facilities available at iCED was provided by the participants on the SAI Training Portal. The average feedback of the participants is 8.96 out of 10. Session on “Circular Economy Models for Sustainable Production and Waste Reduction” delivered by Ms. P. Bineesha, Executive Director, International Institute of Waste Management, Bengaluru was rated as the best session with an outstanding score of 9.53 out of 10.

In his valedictory address, Director General, iCED, Dr. Abhishek Gupta extended his heartfelt thanks to all the participants and faculty members for their participation and invaluable contributions to the workshop. He highlighted the importance of continued collaboration, knowledge sharing, and applying the insights gained during the programme to strengthen biodiversity and environmental audit practices in their respective countries. He encouraged participants to carry forward the learnings and reaffirmed iCED's commitment to capacity building and international cooperation.