

FORENSIC SCIENCE

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National Institute of Criminology & Forensic Science (NICFS)

The NICFS was originally set up as a Central Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science by the Government of India in 1973 as a part of the BPR&D. The need for such an institution was recommended by a sub-committee set up by the University Grants Commission in 1969. In 1976, it was separated from the BPR&D and given an independent status under the Ministry of Home Affairs. Its charter was defined in the Government of India's Resolution dated September 25, 1976. According to its charter, it has to act towards advancement of knowledge in the field of criminology and forensic science; to organise in-service training courses for officers in the police, judiciary and correctional services and to act as a reference body in the field of criminology and forensic science for national as well as international institutions.



Unarmed Police Organisation

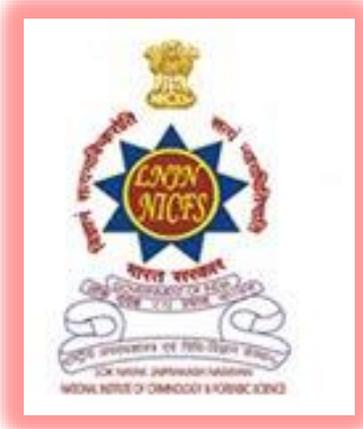
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Over the years, the Institute has grown from strength to strength and has developed as a unique Institution, which trains, in one place, the higher level functionaries of the entire Criminal Justice System, i.e. the Judiciary, the Police, the Correctional Services, Directorate of Prosecution etc., not only from within the country but also from abroad. It was renamed as the National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science on 5th March, 1991.

The Institute earlier functioned in rented building at Vasant Vihar, Safdarjung Enclave and Jhandewalan Extension till December, 1990. The Institute was shifted to its own 5-acre campus at Sector-3, Rohini, Delhi in December, 1990.

NICFS stands out uniquely amongst the training Institutes in the country as it is the only Government Institute:

1. where joint training is conducted for all components of Criminal Justice System and not to only one;
2. where Criminology and Forensic Science are taught;
3. where Post Graduate Diplomas and Certificates are awarded to working Forensic Scientists; and
4. where Judicial officers are imparted training on the subjects of Criminology and Forensic Science regularly.



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Special Features

- It is the only Institution providing comprehensive facilities for training , teaching and research in both the Criminology and Forensic Science under one roof
- It is the only Institution organizing training programmes for functionaries of all the segments of the criminal justice system, in composite groups, enabling useful inter-segment interaction on criminal justice issues.
- It is the nodal and the only institution organizing formal training programmes for working forensic scientists in the country
- It is the only Institution offering need-based professional education courses to working forensic scientists, leading to award of Diploma and Certificate to them
- It maintains constant, symbiotic and purposeful interaction with academics and scientists of disciplines relevant to the criminal justice process