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Workshop on DMF: To create awareness about the District Mineral Foundation (DMF) in the development of mineral-rich areas, the Centre held a daylong workshop in Bhubaneswar recently.

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Seminar on District Mineral Foundation



In an attempt to create awareness among people about the District Mineral Foundation (DMF) and its role, the Centre for the study of Contemporary Societies (CSCS), a unit of Samarth Jeevan Trust organised a day long workshop on July 30 in Bhubaneswar. In the inaugural ceremony, Chief Guest, Tapan Kumar Chand, CMD, Nalco and Guest of honour, KV Singh Deo, MLA Parthasarathi Mishra, CHRM, OHQ Division, TATA Steel lighted the lamp and officially released the bi-monthly newsletter 'ANWE-SHA' of CSCS. In the seminar, representatives from Gram Sabhas, Zilla Parishad bodies, various associations associated with mining activities, NGOs and other stakeholders affected by the mining operations in different districts of Odisha participated and were enlightened about DMF and how it will safeguard the interest and benefits of the people affected by mining related operations. DMF is established with the objectives "to work for the interest and benefits of the persons and area affected by mining related operation." District Mineral Foundation (DMF) was instituted under the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulations) Amendment Act, 2015. As per the law, DMF has to be set up in all mining districts of the country and mining companies have to contribute resources equivalent to 10-30 per cent of the royalty to this fund. Addressing the media, CMD, Nalco, Tapan Kumar Chand said, "The fund should have a low cost operation and the per capita delivery should be as minimum as possible in order to make the fund a successful one. He further said this method has brought success in many countries including Canada so we expect this fund to bring improvement in the conditions of people."