

RAAH

Research, Analysis and Advisory Hub

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RAAH Policy Bootcamp 2026

BUILDING THE SKILLS, STRATEGY, AND CLARITY REQUIRED TO
NAVIGATE POLICY SPACES.

JUNE 2026

ONLINE

WHY THIS BOOTCAMP EXISTS?

Public policy in India is attracting increasing interest from students and early-career professionals across disciplines. Yet, structured guidance on how to navigate policy spaces strategically remains limited.

Many aspiring applicants struggle to understand how institutions evaluate profiles, what distinguishes strong applications from generic ones, how to build meaningful policy experience, or how to position themselves for opportunities across governance, research, fellowships, think tanks, and higher education pathways.

Too often, preparation becomes fragmented: CVs without direction, SOPs without clarity, networking without institutional understanding, and writing without analytical depth.

The RAAH Policy Bootcamp is designed to address this gap through structured mentorship, practitioner insight, and applied learning to help participants engage with policy and governance spaces with greater clarity, confidence, and institutional awareness.



APPLICATIONS OPEN

27 May 2026

APPLICATION DEADLINE

10 June 2026

PROGRAMME DATES

14 - 26 June 2026

7-Day Intensive Bootcamp

MODE

Online

COHORT FORMAT

Selective and Mentorship Driven

ABOUT RAAH

RAAH (Research, Analysis and Advisory Hub) is a policy research and advisory platform working to strengthen evidence-informed public decision-making in India.

The organisation works at the intersection of policy research, institutional analysis, governance strategy, and capacity building across complex public systems.

Through research, structured learning, and practitioner engagement, RAAH seeks to translate policy complexity into actionable insight.

*Evidence. Strategy.
Impact*



CORE VERTICALS

POLICY RESEARCH

Structured analysis of public systems, policy design, and implementation challenges across governance and development sectors.

POLICY ADVISORY

Institutional and implementation-oriented policy engagement focused on evidence-informed and operationally viable solutions.

CAPACITY BUILDING

Fellowships, bootcamps, and structured learning initiatives designed to strengthen analytical and professional readiness for policy spaces.



WHAT THE BOOTCAMP COVERS

The bootcamp combines institutional understanding, strategic guidance, mentorship, and applied exercises to help participants navigate policy and governance spaces more effectively.

Understanding the Policy Ecosystem

Understanding how ministries, institutions, regulatory bodies, parliamentary committees, and governance systems function within the Indian state and shape public decision-making.

Strategic Applications and Institutional Positioning

Building strong CVs, SOPs, cover letters, application responses, and interview approaches for fellowships, higher education, think tanks, and policy institutions.

Writing, Research, and Intellectual Positioning

Developing governance analysis, policy writing samples, publication strategy, and long-term intellectual visibility within policy spaces.

Navigating Policy and Governance Careers

Understanding pathways into public policy, research, governance advisory, legislative offices, and higher education across diverse backgrounds.

Mentorship and Professional Guidance

A mentorship-driven cohort format with practitioner exposure, peer learning, session recordings, and 1:1 guidance support throughout the programme.

Governance Research and Policy Simulation

Participants will work in teams on a governance survey exercise and present evidence-informed recommendations before senior practitioners in a simulated policy advisory setting. Selected participant articles may also be considered for publication on the RAAH website.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

7-DAY ONLINE BOOTCAMP

SELECTIVE MENTORSHIP-DRIVEN COHORT

INTERACTION WITH SENIOR IAS OFFICERS

GOVERNANCE RESEARCH SIMULATION

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY FOR SELECTED PARTICIPANTS

ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY REPOSITORY

SESSION RECORDINGS ACCESSIBLE

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION AND EXCELLENCE

OPEN TO APPLICANTS ACROSS DISCIPLINES

OPEN TO DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The bootcamp is designed as a structured mentorship-driven programme combining institutional understanding, strategic guidance, practitioner interaction, and applied governance exercises across seven curated sessions.

DATE	SESSION FOCUS	FOCUS AREAS
14 June 2026	Inaugural Session & Cohort Orientation	Programme Structure, Expectations, and Overview
15 June 2026	Understanding the Architecture of Indian Policy Ecosystem	Ministries, Institutions, Regulatory Bodies, Parliamentary Systems, Governance Structures and Policy Implementation Ecosystems
17 June 2026	Strategic Applications & Institutional Positioning	CVs, SOPs, Cover Letters, Application Responses
19 June 2026	Interview Preparation	Institutional Interviews, Profile Articulation, Communication
21 June 2026	Writing, Research & Intellectual Positioning	Governance Analysis, Policy Writing, and Publication Strategy
23 June 2026	Navigating Policy & Governance Careers	Policy Pathways, Think Tanks, Fellowships, Public Institutions, and Career Transitions
26 June 2026	Governance Research & Policy Simulation	Survey Exercise, Governance Analysis, Policy Recommendations, and Presentation
30 June 2026	Certificates & Publication Outcomes	Certificate of Completion / Excellence, and selected publication outcomes

GOVERNANCE RESEARCH AND POLICY SIMULATION

As part of the programme, participants will engage in a structured governance research and policy simulation exercise designed to introduce real-world approaches to public problem analysis and institutional reasoning.

Participants will work in teams to examine a governance issue through a small survey-based or evidence-oriented exercise, identify implementation and institutional challenges, and develop structured recommendations grounded in analytical reasoning and policy understanding.

The simulation is intended to familiarise participants with how governance problems are approached within policy environments, from problem identification and evidence interpretation to communication and recommendation framing.

Final presentations will take place in a simulated setting before senior practitioners and jury members. Selected participant submissions may also be considered for publication on the RAAH website.



SIMULATION FRAMEWORK

TEAM-BASED GOVERNANCE EXERCISE

SURVEY / EVIDENCE COLLECTION

INSTITUTIONAL PROBLEM ANALYSIS

GOVERNANCE RESEARCH AND INTERPRETATION

RECOMMENDATION & PRESENTATION

PRACTITIONER EVALUATION

CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE FOR OUTSTANDING TEAMS



MENTORS AND PRACTITIONERS

Practitioner engagement grounded in governance, institutions, and public policy practice.



Shri J.K. Dadoo, IAS (Retd.)

Former Additional Secretary and
Financial Advisor,
Department of Commerce,
Ministry of Commerce and Industry



Parneet Kaur

Founder, RAAH; Formerly with
Rajya Sabha Secretariat,
Ministry of Rural Development, and
Offices of Members of Parliament



Dr. Partha Sarathi Mishra, IAS

Director-cum-Additional
Secretary, Public Enterprises Department,
Government of Odisha

WHO SHOULD APPLY

The programme is designed for students, graduates, early-career professionals, and individuals from diverse academic and professional backgrounds seeking to engage more meaningfully with public policy, governance, and institutional spaces.

The bootcamp is particularly suited for those exploring pathways into public policy, governance research, think tanks, fellowships, legislative offices, development institutions, higher education, and related governance and policy spaces.

No prior background in public policy is required. The programme is structured to help participants build foundational understanding while developing greater strategic clarity, analytical confidence, and institutional awareness.

Applications are open to both domestic and international participants.



PROGRAMME FEATURES

**OPEN TO APPLICANTS ACROSS
DISCIPLINES**

**NO PRIOR POLICY BACKGROUND
REQUIRED**

**FOUNDATIONAL AND APPLIED
POLICY ORIENTATION**

**DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL
PARTICIPATION**

**STRUCTURED FOR BOTH
ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL
PATHWAYS**



PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

Building greater analytical clarity, institutional understanding, and strategic orientation within policy and governance spaces.

- Develop stronger understanding of governance systems and institutional structures
- Build more strategic approaches to CVs, SOPs, applications, and interviews
- Develop policy writing samples and governance-oriented analytical work
- Strengthen professional and intellectual positioning within policy spaces
- Gain exposure to collaborative governance research and policy thinking
- Build an initial portfolio of work through policy writing and analytical exercises
- Selected participant submissions may be considered for publication on the RAAH website
- Selected participants may also be considered for future internship opportunities at RAAH, subject to organisational requirements and availability



PROGRAMME ORIENTATION

**MENTORSHIP - DRIVEN
LEARNING**

**GOVERNANCE AND
INSTITUTIONAL ORIENTATION**

APPLIED ANALYTICAL EXERCISES

**COLLABORATIVE COHORT
ENVIRONMENT**

**LONG TERM POLICY
ENGAGEMENT**



ADMISSIONS PROCESS

Submit your Application

Interested applicants are required to complete the online application form available on the RAAH Policy Bootcamp webpage.

Application Review

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Shortlisted applicants will receive a selection communication within seven working days of submission.

Fee Payment

Selected applicants will be required to complete the programme fee payment within two working days of receiving the confirmation email.

Confirmation of Admission

Admissions will be confirmed upon successful fee payment and will remain subject to cohort capacity.

Cohort Commencement

Selected participants will join the June 2026 cohort for the RAAH Policy Bootcamp.



PROGRAMME INFORMATION

PROGRAMME FEE (INDIA)

Rs 2999 INR

PROGRAMME FEE (INTERNATIONAL)

\$49 USD

MODE OF DELIVERY

Online

SESSION ACCESS

Recordings accessible throughout the programme

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10 JUNE 2026



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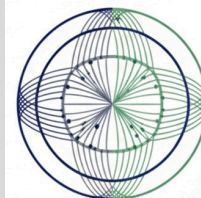
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