

## What does it mean?

The **Certified Program Director (CPgD)** are mid-senior and senior professionals who are equipped and proficient in complex infrastructure programs of significant scale (4000 Cr+). They are responsible not just for program and project success, but for giving strategic direction and decision-making and shall be entrusted with India's most ambitious and challenging infrastructure programs and projects.

**Work Experience:** The professional must have **20+ years** of work experience

**Educational Qualification:** The professional must have **at least diploma** from a recognised institute or university.

## Course Curriculum

The Course for the assessment will be based on the following 21 knowledge areas of the InBoK:

Section	Topics
<b>Program Initiation, Design and Implementation</b>	Initiation and Implementation Plan Benefits Management and Governance
<b>Constituent Project Acquisition</b>	Pre-Project Planning and Contracting Strategies Bidding Documents Preparation and Contract Negotiations
<b>Constituent Project Initiation and Planning</b>	Initiation and Stakeholder Assessment Setting Up Baseline Set-up and Administration Interface and Integration Management
<b>Project Monitoring and Control</b>	Cost Monitoring and Control Schedule Monitoring and Control Management of Payment to Concessionaire/Contractor Integrated Change Management
<b>Managing Constituent Projects</b>	Information Management and Digital implementation Engineering / Design Management Supply Chain Management Construction/ Site Management Quality Management Value Creation and Benefits improvement Safety, Health, Environmental and Security Integrated Risk Management
<b>Project Completion</b>	Program and Project Close-out and Knowledge Management

## Examination Policy

### Examination Pattern

The candidate has to go through a **simulation-based assessment and a panel interview** based on the 21 knowledge areas of **Indian Infrastructure Book of Knowledge (InBoK)**. This will focus primarily on case-study/application of Program Management principles. The candidate needs to score a **minimum of 70% to pass the examination**.

## Training

There will be a mandatory online training of 24 hours which has to be completed by the candidate before applying for the certification. The professional has to register with NICPP to avail this free online training which will be based on InBoK.

## Study Material

The following study material will be available for the candidates after the registration:

1. InBoK
2. Mini InBoK
3. Other in text references

This will be available for free to the registered candidates.

## Eligibility Check and Document Verification

The professional can check their eligibility based on their work experience. He/She needs to sign up to check their eligibility and then apply for the certification.

To apply for the certification, candidates will have to fill in their personal details and upload the related documents which will be assessed by the Desktop Assessor. In case, the documents of the candidate are not approved (NC), he/she will receive messages stating the problems to be rectified and get 2 more chances to re-upload their documents.

## Recertification

The candidate will have to apply for the recertification after 3 years from the date of issuance of the certification. It will be based on the online self-learning modules.

## Guidelines

1. The candidate will be eligible to panel interview only if he/she clear the simulation-based assessment.
2. The candidate will have to join 20 minutes before the start of the simulation-based assessment for the Identity verification.
3. Smoking, drinking, eating and talking is prohibited during the assessment and panel interview.
4. The hall ticket will be generated at least 15 days before the assessment and interview.
5. No electronic device should be near the candidate.
6. The candidate shall only have 2 plain sheets and a ball point pen.
7. The candidate if absent will have to re-apply for the assessment or panel interview.
8. The candidate if failed will have to re-apply for the assessment or panel interview.
9. The candidate after the desktop assessment will have a year to apply for the certification.