

# IOCE EvalPartners profile survey of Voluntary Organizations of Professional Evaluators (VOPEs)

## I. Basic profile information

<b>1. Name and acronym of organization (VOPE)</b>	Development Evaluation Society of India (DESI)
<b>2. Geographic scope of organization</b> (See typology in right column; highlight appropriate level, delete others)	National -- India
<b>3. Contact Details</b>	Name of main contact person: Dr. S. P. Pal E-address: <a href="mailto:desiindia2009@gmail.com">desiindia2009@gmail.com</a> Postal address: D-13, Indraprastha; 114 – I. P. Extension; Delhi – 110092. Telephone: +91-9810770769; +91-11-43305895. VOPE website URL: <a href="http://www.desiindia.org">www.desiindia.org</a> .
<b>4. a. Current formal/ registered membership –</b> numbers of individuals, by their affiliation (if known; please at least give total) <b>4. b. Informal membership</b> (persons on your mailing list)	Government: 5 NGOs/CSOs: Academics: 20 Private sector (consultants): Other: Former government officials-5. <b>a. Total official membership:</b> 30. <b>b. Total informal membership:</b> ____
<b>Year VOPE was founded</b>	2002.
<b>5. Current status</b> (identify which)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charter and bylaws adopted: <b>Yes</b>.</li> <li>• Legally recognized by government: <b>Registered Society under Act of 1860 (India)</b>.</li> </ul>
<b>6. Information about growth:</b> evolution of the number of members or financial resources in the last 5 years.	Financial resources: Membership fees and Revenue share from consultancy by members. DESI has now restricted membership to only evaluation professionals and encouraged some existing members who did not evince primary interest in development evaluation to discontinue membership.
<b>7. Purpose and mission of VOPE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1.Evaluation capacity building of national researchers.</li> <li>2.Advocacy &amp; sensitization to mainstream evaluation in governance in the longer run.</li> </ol>
<b>8. Current strategy and emphasis</b>	Generate financial resources and build capacity of members (learning by doing) to take up the intended activities.
<b>9. Organizational capacity:</b> Please describe your governance structure, leadership, services provided, finances, human resources, linkages with other organizations, etc.	Managed by a Governing Body of 7 executives, headed by the President. Resources are required to realize DESI's short & long-term goals. The current emphasis is on generation of financial resources through consultancy, and human resources through learning by doing. The intended activities for realization of long-term goals will be taken up once resource constraints are overcome. DESI has links with international/national associations. Its web materials are accessed and feedback received from organisations/individuals. DESI has undertaken studies/consultancy from international NGOs.
<b>10. Means of communication with members,</b> e.g. newsletter, listserv, publication, website	Website, e-mails and periodic meetings/discussions. A national conference is being planned.
<b>11. Past events</b> (e.g. during past year)	Two consultancy assignments, two general meetings, some research papers in the website, updating on national evaluation news/events.
<b>12. Forthcoming key events/ conferences –</b> dates,	A national conference during 2012-13. Time yet to be decided. Planning underway.

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<b>13. Name and e-address of person submitting this information</b>	Dr. S. P. Pal. E-mail: <a href="mailto:palsakti@hotmail.com">palsakti@hotmail.com</a> .
<b>14. Date of this update</b>	20 July, 2012.

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Please open [www.desiindia.org](http://www.desiindia.org) to see the changes in the Executive Body of DESI. It will be highly appreciated if you could introduce the following changes in IOCE website as well:

**President: Dr. S.P.PAL**

**Secretary: Dr. Subrato K. Mondal.**

**Treasurer: Dr. Samir K. Mondal.**

There are no other Office Bearers in DESI.

Thanks.

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