# CAPACITY BUILDING AT THE NATIONAL CENTRE FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE IN INDIA

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From 16 to 27 February 2026, a delegation from the Alioune Blondin BÈYE Peacekeeping School in Bamako (EMP-ABB) took part in a capacity-building session organised by the National Centre for Good Governance in India.

This session was intended for government officials in decision-making positions within ministerial institutions in Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger, Sri Lanka and Tanzania.

It aimed to provide them with the knowledge, skills and cutting-edge tools necessary to design and implement effective public policies in an increasingly complex and interdependent world.

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The programme's objectives were to:

- improve the strategic leadership and management capabilities of senior executives;
- promote adaptive, accountable and ethical governance practices;
- strengthen innovation and implementation skills;
- facilitate peer learning and collaboration between countries;
- encourage systemic thinking and citizen-centred service delivery.

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It included study and cultural visits to explore the topics taught in greater depth, discover new practices in the field, meet experts, strengthen cohesion and gain a better understanding of Indian culture.

Participants had the opportunity to visit:

- The Forest Research Institute (FRI) in Dehradun;
- The Information Technology Development Agency (ITDA);
- The Gurugram District Administration;
- The Haryana Institute of Public Administration (HIPA);
- The PM Gati Shakti Experimental Centre;
- The Parliament;
- And the Taj Mahal.

# VISIT BY THE ASSOCIATION OF FORMER STUDENTS OF THE PRYTANÉE MILITAIRE – MALI (AEPM)

On the morning of 17 February 2026, the newly elected board of the Prytanée Militaire Alumni Association – Mali (AEPM) paid a courtesy visit to Colonel-Major Souleymane SANGARE, Director General of the Alioune Blondin BÈYE Peacekeeping School in Bamako (EMP-ABB).

This visit was not only an opportunity to officially introduce the new president, Maître Habib KOUMARÉ, and his board, but also to share the strategic action plan they intend to implement to strengthen the association's activities and initiatives.

Discussions focused on possible synergies between the AEPM and the EMP-ABB, as well as on ways to support and assist the school in the successful implementation of its planned actions.

The Director General of EMP-ABB expressed his full support for the Amicale's initiatives and emphasised the importance of the spirit of fraternity and solidarity that unites the former students of the Prytanée militaire. The cordial and friendly discussions helped to strengthen the historical and institutional ties between the two entities.

The visit concluded with a group photo, symbolising the shared commitment to promoting excellence, sharing experiences and institutional cooperation in the service of training and development among current and future executives.

# EMP-ABB Courses of the Month

## PCPSY 1-26 (PNUD-JAPAN)

Psychosocial support for the environment/setting and the One Stop Centre

**Date and Place**
From 02 to 06 February 2026
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

**Founding**
Japan

**Beneficiaries**
Displaced women and young people from Bandiagara, women and young leaders from the host community, regional project coordinator.
15 trainees, including 8 women

**Objective**
Raise awareness among displaced women and young people in central Mali about psychosocial care in the environment/setting and at the One Stop Centre.

**09/02/26** – ***NETHERLANDS*** – Courtesy visit by His Excellency Mr Erick de Feijter, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Mali, to gain a better understanding of how the School operates and identify new avenues for collaboration.

**10/02/2026** – ***DCAF*** – Courtesy visit by Ms Valérie Petitpierre, Head of the DCAF Office in Mali and Representative for the Sahel, as part of efforts to strengthen existing partnerships.

**23/02/2026** – UNITED KINGDOM – Courtesy visit by His Excellency Angus Mckee, accompanied by Brigadier General Thomas Harper, Head of the British Defence Staff for West Africa, and Lieutenant Colonel Sigolene Hobson, UK Defence Attaché to Mali, based in Dakar, to discuss potential avenues for collaboration.

# The EMP-ABB CARESS Reading Club

## 42th Edition
## « Sahel: Battleground between JNIM and Islamic State »

The Alioune Blondin-BEYE Peacekeeping School, through its Centre for Analysis and Research on the Sahel-Saharan Region (CARESS), organised the 42nd edition of its book club on Thursday 12 February 2026 in the CARESS documentation room.

For this edition, the book highlighted was: "Sahel: Terrain of Competition between JNIM and Islamic State" by teacher and researcher Hamed AG Abdoulaye, former CARESS auditor.

In this collection, the author provides a comparative analysis of the internal functioning of Jamaat Nusrat Al-Islam Wal Muslimin (JNIM) and Islamic State in the Sahel (IS-Sahel). According to him, despite their common origins, these two organisations differ markedly in terms of their objectives and doctrines, but offer identical services and requirements in terms of governance. However, he also believes that the federalism of JNIM contrasts with the unitary model of IS-Sahel in their internal structures, hence the differences in their sources of funding and media models.

As usual, the question-and-answer session allowed participants to contribute to the discussion and gain a deeper understanding of the book.

For this edition, the book club brought together CARESS members and club members, including researchers, doctoral students and CARESS master's students, as well as the author's parents, friends and supporters, who enriched the discussions with their contributions.

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