

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Activities of The Association of Engineers, India during June–December, 2015

The Association of Engineers, India has, at present, a total number of Corporate and Non-Corporate (i.e., Associates and Institutional) Members of 976 till today. The Association publishes its Journal regularly. During June-December 2015, important activities of The Association are briefed as follows.

- A. Details of regular courses that were conducted by the Association during last six months are given below:
- With the admission of 28 students in the new batch in July 2015, the course on 'Advanced Diploma in Industrial Safety' is being continued with the affiliation of West Bengal State Council of Technical Education.
 - In July 2015, a new batch of 13 students was admitted in the Ordinary, 'O', Level of the course on 'Construction Supervisor' affiliated to the West Bengal State Council of Technical Education.

Conducting campus interviews is a regular feature for students of the above-mentioned courses. Companies like Sapoorjee Palanji and others conduct Campus Interviews at the Training Centre of the Association at Salt Lake City, Kolkata.

B. Events on Rain Water Harvesting

The Association of Engineers, India is trying to spread the practice of rainwater harvesting among people since the year of 2007 considering the imminent problem of usable water scarcity. In this direction, one day seminars, one/two days training programmes, mass awareness programmes, etc. have been being organized.

- The Association of Engineers, India conducts discussion sessions on Rainwater Harvesting on the Second Sunday of every month from 10.30 to 11.30 am at its Training Centre at IA-11, Salt Lake, Sector-III, Kolkata- 700097 (near Tank No. 13). Participants are taken to rainwater harvesting installations at the AEI to show them rainwater harvesting structures and to have the feeling that this could be easily implemented at any place. Experts from the AEI discuss various issues related to erecting rainwater harvesting system and also demonstrate some experiments regarding water quality.
- In order to attract participants, TV channel, Radio and local Newspapers are being involved

to broadcast/ publish the need of rainwater harvesting. The matter is being publicized through Facebook. Through this Journal of the Association of Engineers, India, it is also tried to propagate the idea of rainwater harvesting to its readers.

C. Annual General Meeting of the Association

The 95th Annual General Meeting of the Association of Engineers, India was held on June 27 2015 at the Training Centre of the Association as per the provision of the Clause 64 of the memorandum and Article/ Regulation of the Association. Apart from the regular business of the AGM, election of the new Council Members for the year 2015-16 and 2016-17 was announced with the induction of 08 new members.

D. Signing of Agreement for Abstracting and Other Services Related to the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India

An Agreement has been made on July 03 2015 between The Association of Engineers, India and M/s. Informatics Publishing Limited, Bangalore for Digitization of the published articles in the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India since the beginning as per its availability, extraction of Metadata, assigning DOI number to each article, providing Abstracting service, and marketing of the journal on revenue sharing basis.

E. Report on Teacher's Day Celebration

On September 05 2015, Teacher's Day was celebrated by the students of Advanced Diploma in Industrial Safety course at the Training Centre of the Association. Students welcomed teachers' with flower bouquet with an inaugural song by a student, the celebration started. The President of the Association, Prof. Madhusudan Bhattacharyya presided over the event and addressed the audience. He urged all to practice safety engineering after gathering knowledge from the course on Safety Engineering. He also recalled the role of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan as a teacher. The President next cut birth day cake, and cake pieces were distributed among all persons present.

Few students spoke about the Teachers' Day, and some others made some artistic performance. Amidst a solemn and joyous atmosphere, some teachers spoke about Teacher's Day and shared various experience of their student lives and professional lives. Most of the teachers delivered extempore speeches on topics decided through lottery. The event ended with distribution of snacks.

F. Inauguration Ceremony of the Courses for the New Batch of Students

In the new session 2015-16, an inaugural ceremony was held on July 25 2015 to welcome the

new batch of Advanced Diploma in Industrial Safety and Construction Supervisor. Prof. M. Bhattacharyya, the President of the Association, delivered the inaugural address, and outlined various aspects of the said course and their importance in industry. He urged the students to be serious about the course content and to try. Other teachers of the course also spoke about to implement the knowledge acquired in practice. Other teacher of the course also spoke about their industrial experience and the industrial relevance of this course.

G. Launching Association Website

The new website of the Association, www.aeindia.org.in, is launched. It is being augmented gradually. Detail of different short courses, custom-made training programmes, workshops and lecture seminars may please be found out in the website. Invitation to different meetings conducted time to time can also be found out in the website.

Honorary Secretary

NEW ENROLMENT

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