

ASSOCIATION NEWS

Activities of The Association of Engineers, India during July-December 2018

The Association of Engineers, India has stepped in to the **Centenary Year** during 2018-19. A number of events are being organized during this time. The Association has an addition of seven Corporate Members since the 98th Annual General Meeting, 2018. The Association publishes its Journal regularly. During July-December 2018, important activities of The Association are briefed as follows.

A. Regular courses conducted by the Association

The course on ‘**Advanced Diploma in Industrial Safety**’ affiliated to West Bengal State Council of Technical Education & Vocational Training and Skill Development is conducted by the Association with a sanctioned intake of 40 candidates. 34 students were admitted to the Advanced Sanctioned Diploma in Industrial Safety (ADIS) course in the year 2018-19. On July 20 2018, Inauguration of the ADIS programme for the 2018-19 session was held.

Admission to the course on ‘**Construction Supervisor**’- ‘**O**’ (Ordinary) and ‘**A**’ (Advanced) Level, with a duration of 6 months each affiliated to West Bengal State Council of Technical Education & Vocational Training and Skill Development will commence soon to be conducted by the Association.

B. Promoting Rain Water Harvesting

The Association of Engineers, India (AEI) is trying to promote the practice of rainwater harvesting since 2007 considering the imminent scarcity of potable water. For raising awareness about rainwater harvesting, local Newspapers as well as Facebook are being involved.

C. Teachers Day Celebration

Students of Semester I and III of the Advanced Diploma in Industrial Safety (ADIS) course organized celebration of the Teachers’ Day on September 09 2018 at the Training Centre of the Association. Teachers of the ADIS course and Council Members of the AEI addressed the students citing different case studies and giving good advices. Students performed some cultural programmes and felicitated the teachers and members of the association. The celebration was over with a cordial note among the teachers and students.

D. Organized Centenary Seminar on “Challenges and Prospects of Engineering Professionals in India”

A Seminar on “Challenges and Prospects of Engineering Professionals in India” was organized on November 17 2018 at Government College of Engineering and Ceramic Technology, Beliaghata, Kolkata- 700010. The Association of Engineers, India in association with Government College of Engineering and Ceramic Technology, Kolkata organized this seminar. All the dignitaries were felicitated by wearing Uttariya, memento of the Association of Engineers, India and another memento prepared by the Government College of Engineering and Ceramic Technology, Kolkata. The Centenary Souvenir was then released by Prof. Dr. Saikat Maitra, the Inaugurator of the Seminar and other dignitaries on the dais.

Prof. Dr. Saikat Maitra, the Hon`ble Vice Chancellor of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal inaugurated the Seminar and delivered the Inaugural address. The Chairman of the Centenary Committee and also the Vice President of the AEI, Er. R.C. Bhattacharya welcomed all the participants present in the seminar and spoke on the rich heritage of the Association. Prof. Dr. N.R. Banerjee, the other Vice President of The AEI and former Vice Chancellor of Bengal Engineering Science University, Shibpur, Prof. Dr. A.R. Thakur, Former Vice Chancellor of West Bengal University of Technology, Kolkata and Prof. Dr. Krishnendu Chakrabarty, Principal of Government College of Engineering and Ceramic Technology, Beliaghata, Kolkata also addressed the gathering. Towards the end of the Inaugural session, Padma Shri Prof. Dr. Ajoy Kumar Ray, former Director of Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur, Howrah delivered the Keynote Address. Prof. Dr. Santanu Das, Convener of the Centenary Celebration Committee gave a Vote of Thanks at the end.

There was a Technical Session in which Er. S.N. Basuray, Secretary of the AEI, Dr. K.N. Sen of L & T, Mr. Amit Kumar Basu of Indian Oil Corporation and Dr. Sanchayan Mukherjee of Kalyani Govt. Engineering College, Kalyani presented their papers related to the topics of the Seminar.

A Panel Discussion was also arranged on the topic of the Seminar at the Last Session. Panelists were Prof. Dr. Krishnendu Chakrabarty, Principal of Government College of Engineering and Ceramic Technology, Beliaghata, Kolkata, Mr. Parimal Biswas, Honorary Secretary General, Indian Institute of Welding, Kolkata, Prof. Anil Kumar Ghosh, President of Institute of Science, Education and Culture, Kolkata, Dr. K.N. Sen of L & T Limited, Prof. Subhasis Bhaumik of Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur, Howrah, Er. S.K. Nag, Principal of Training Institute of The AEI and the Coordinator was Prof. Santanu Das, Convener of the Seminar. Lot of interactions took place among the

panellists and the audience and a number of good recommendations emerged out of the same. Closing remarks on the panel discussion were made by Prof. K. Chakrabarty.

E. Conducting Fifth Batch of Six Weeks Suryasakti Skill Development Programme

The 5th Suryasakti Skill Development Programme was organized by the AEI on November 24– December 30 2018 at the Training Centre of the Association at Salt Lake City, Kolkata. Out of nine candidates admitted, eight persons successfully completed the training programme and certificates were issued to them.

F. Creating an Archive of the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India

Published articles in the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India that are available since the year 1937 were digitized. An Archive of the Journal of the Association of Engineers, India was made in the website, www.i-scholar.in/index.php/jaei that can be surfed by the readers. Thanks to M/s. Informatics Publishing Limited, Bangalore for completing this task.

Honorary Secretary

NEW ENROLMENT OF MEMBERS SINCE THE AGM OF THE YEAR 2018 HELD ON JUNE 29 2018

Sl. No.	Name	Grade	Date of Election
1.	Er. Krishna Nirmalya Sen	Life Fellow	19.09.2018
2.	Er. Avinandan Khaira	Life Associate Member	19.09.2018
3.	Er. Suvro Mukherjee	Associate Member	19.09.2018
4.	Er. Shamik Parbat	Life Fellow	01.12.2018
5.	Er. Sk. Sarif Mohammad	Life Fellow	01.12.2018
6.	Er. Sadhan Kumar Roy	Life Fellow	01.12.2018
7.	Er. Sudip Sengupta	Fellow	01.12.2018