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## 45th Engineers' Day Celebrated



(Starting from L to R) 1. Jenab Taj Mohi-Ud-Din, Chief Guest alongwith Er. Braj Bhushan Sharma, FIE, Chairman and Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE, Honorary Secretary garlanding the portrait of Sir M. Visvesvaraya. 2. A section of audience during 45<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day. 3. Er. S. K. Raina, FIE, while delivering the Tribute Lecture. 4. Chief Guest releasing the annual issue of quarterly News Letter of Jammu Centre alongwith members of the Editorial Board.

The 45<sup>th</sup> Engineers day was celebrated by The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2012 at its Institutional Complex, Channi Himmat, Jammu which was attended by large numbers of engineers from the different departments and organizations. This day is celebrated all over the country to commemorate birth anniversary of the greatest engineer Sir M. Visvesvaraya, Bharat Raina. On this occasion Jenab Taj Mohi-Ud-Din, Hon'ble Minister for PHE, Irrigation & Flood Control, Government of Jammu & Kashmir was the Chief Guest.

Rich tributes to Sir M. Visvesvaraya were paid by **Er. S. K. Raina, FIE**, Executive Director, Chenab Valley Power Projects Pvt. Limited in which he highlighted his qualities like Austerity, Integrity, Competence and Discipline.

Earlier, **Er. Braj Bhushan Sharma, FIE, Chairman** of the Jammu Centre presented the *Welcome Address*. He highlighted different problems being faced by engineers which inter alia included unemployment, stagnation and deprivation of time bound promotions. He advocated for time bound promotions for engineers, removal of structural anomalies in engineering services of J&K and jobs to unemployed engineers and requested the Chief Guest to take up these issues with the Govt. for mitigation of engineers' grievances.

On this occasion, the Chief Guest presented *R. L. Sharma Memorial Gold Medal and Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal* to **Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE**, former Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, J&K Govt. & presently Resident Engineer, Married Accommodation Project of Indian Army & Indian Air Force at Jammu for presenting the best and 2<sup>nd</sup> best technical papers during the year 2011-2012.

The Chief Guest also honoured **Er. S. C. Thukral, FIE**; **Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE**; **Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE**; **Er. S. K. Pandita, MIE**; **Er. Ashok Kumar Sharma, MIE**; **Er. Sewa Ram, MIE** and **Er. Rajesh Kumar Angural** with mementoes for presenting two or more technical papers during the year 2011-2012. First issue of 10<sup>th</sup> volume of quarterly News Letter of Jammu Local Centre was also released by the Chief Guest on this occasion in presence of Editorial Board members comprising of **Er. Braj Bhushan Sharma, FIE**; **Er. Rajinder Singh, FIE**; **Er. Anil Verma, MIE**; **Er. C. P. Sharma, MIE** & **Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE**.



ER. B. D. GARG

**Jenab Taj Mohi-Ud-Din, Hon'ble Minister** while addressing the galaxy of engineers present on the occasion appreciated the services rendered by them in building the nation and advised them to follow the footsteps of Sir M. Visvesvaraya. Engineers were also assured by Chief Guest for consideration of the demand of running pay scales to them in the state cabinet so that stagnation is minimized.

The inaugural session was followed by a *Technical Session* which was chaired by **Er. B. D. Garg, IRSE, CAO, USBRL, Northern Railway** in which 7 nos. papers were presented on the theme topic "**APPROPRIATE CLIMATE – RESPONSIVE TECHNOLOGIES FOR INCLUSIVE GROWTH AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**" by **Er. S. K. Sharma, FIE**; **Er. S. C. Thukral, FIE**; **Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE**; **Er. Sewa Ram, MIE**; **Er. Pooja Sharma**, **Er. Rajesh Kumar Angural** and **Mr. Arjun Singh Kotwal**. **Er. B. D. Garg, Chairman** of the Technical Session presented a power point presentation in which salient features of Udhampur to Srinagar Railway line project were depicted and explained in details which was appreciated by the audience.

**Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE; Honorary Secretary** of the Jammu Centre conducted the proceedings of the function and presented vote of thanks to the august gathering.



Chief Guest honouring the engineers with mementoes on 45<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS



Er. VINOD KHAJURIA, FIE

**Er. Vinod Khajuria, FIE has taken over as Chief Engineer, Commercial and Survey Wing, Power Development Department in September, 2012.**

He is an alumni of Regional Engineering College (Now NIT), Kurushetra and passed out in 1976. He started his career as Supervisor in Salal Hydro Electric Project, Jyotipuram in 1976 and switched over to J&K Govt. Services by joining Power Development Department in 1977. Later, he remained on deputation to NHPC Ltd. from 1978 to 1981 and was associated with construction of 220KV S/C Sarna-Jammu Transmission Line which was the key line to connect Northern Grid with J&K State at that time. Further, he served in various wings of Power Development Department after his repatriation from NHPC Ltd. in 1981 and rose to the rank of Chief Engineer in 2012. He had a stint in J&K State Power Development Corporation also from 2002 to 2006 and was associated with the construction of prestigious Baglihar Hydroelectric Project, Chanderkot. He was honored with the distinction of representing J&K Govt. in International Conference on transformers i.e. TRANFOTECH-2000 at Mumbai as a delegate from J&K Govt.



Er. N.K. ROHMETRA, MIE

**Er. Narinder Rohmetra, MIE, took over as Chief Engineer, Swalkote Hydro Electric Project, Ramban in May, 2012.** He is an alumni of Regional Engineering College (Now NIT), Srinagar and passed out in 1977.

He started his service career with SICOP, J&K Govt. as Estate Manager in 1977. Later, he switched over to Public Works Department of J&K Govt. & joined as Junior Engineer there. He was promoted as Assistant Engineer in 1983 and Assistant Executive Engineer in 1986 & served in Hydraulic Wing at Jammu & Kathua with a stint in Power Development Department too. He was promoted as Executive Engineer in October, 2004 and served in Public Health Engineering divisions of Udhampur & Kathua where he executed various water supply schemes of both the districts by constructing over head tanks, ground reservoirs, drilling of tube wells and laying of rising main / gravity main / distribution pipe network and filtration plants. Further, he was promoted as Superintending Engineer in the year June, 2007. As Superintending Engineer he served in Hydraulic Circle, Udhampur and later as Project Manager in Economic Reconstruction

Agency of J&K Govt. popularly called ERA. In his stint as SE in ERA he executed 30 MLD Sewage Treatment Plant and laying of sewer in Jammu West comprising of 146 KMs network of main and sewer pipes. Then, he took over as Chief Engineer in Swalkote Hydro Electric Project in May, 2012; which is the biggest Hydel Power Project of J&K Govt. with generation capacity of 1856 MW located at Ramban. He was instrumental in preparation of Detail Project Report for this project under his command as Chief Engineer which comprises of Dam Design, ecological Investigation, Rehabilitation Plan for the persons affected due to compounding of reservoir etc. This report will be ready in Feb., 2013 and tentative cost of this prestigious project is around Rs. 15000 Crores. He has attended a training on Lake Water Quality Management in Japan from January to March, 1996. He has also attended various Workshops/Seminars on Hydrology, Ground Water Management, Trenchless Technology etc. at National Level.



Er. NARAYAN MENGI, FIE

**Er. Narayan Mengi, FIE has taken over as Chief Engineer, Baglihar Hydroelectric Project of J&K State Power Development Corporation in October, 2012.**

He is an alumni of Regional Engineering College (Now NIT), Srinagar and joined J&K Govt. services in 1978 as Junior Engineer. Later, he was promoted as Assistant Engineer through J&K Public Service Commission in 1983. He served as Assistant Engineer / Assistant Executive Engineer in Public Health Engineering / Irrigation & Flood Control Departments at Billawar, Leh, Udhampur & Jammu. Further, he was promoted as Executive Engineer in the year 2004 and Superintending Engineer in the year 2008. He served as SE in Hydraulic Circle / Rawi Tawi Irrigation Construction Circle Jammu & was then transferred to J&K State Power Development Corporation in Feb., 2012. He was promoted as Chief Engineer in October, 2012 and was posted in Baglihar Hydroelectric Project, Chanderkot.



Er. K.K. GUPTA, MIE

**Er. Kishore Kumar Gupta, MIE, has taken over as Chief Engineer, Irrigation & Flood Control Department of J&K Govt. at Jammu in October, 2012.**

He is an alumni of Thapar Institute of Engineering & Technology, Patiala (Now Thapar University, Patiala) and passed out in 1980. He started his career as an Assistant Engineer in Hydraulic Wing of J&K

Govt. in 1983. He served as Assistant Engineer/Assistant Executive Engineer in various divisions of Hydraulic Wing of J&K Govt. As Executive Engineer, he envisaged and Implemented Water Supply Schemes for augmentation of Water Supply in Kathua & Udhampur towns under UIDSSMT which helped in ensuring portable water supply to public at large. As Superintending Engineer, he was vested with the responsibility of creating the vital artificial lake thorough construction of a barrage on Tawi River at Belicharana which will add to the aesthetic value of Jammu city. He was promoted as Chief Engineer in October, 2012 and has been posted to head Irrigation & Flood Control Department, Jammu.



Er. H.C. JEARTH, MIE

**Er. H. C. Jearth, MIE has taken over as Chief Engineer, Designs, Inspections & Quality Control Department of J&K Govt. in Oct., 2012.**

He is an alumni of Regional Engineering College (Now NIT), Srinagar and joined J&K Govt. Services as Junior Engineer in 1981. Later, he was promoted as Assistant Engineer through J&K Public Service Commission in the year 1983. He served as Assistant Engineer / Assistant Executive Engineer in various divisions of Hydraulic Wing of J&K Govt. Further, he was promoted as Executive Engineer in the year 2004 and was posted in Public Health Engineering Div.- II Jammu and was fully involved in the construction and commissioning of 1.80MGD Filtration Plant at Boria. Later, he was promoted as Superintending Engineer in the year 2009 and was involved in successful implementation of UIDSSMT programmes and other Irrigation and Flood Control works in Kathua & Udhampur Districts. During his stint as Superintending Engineer, Udhampur he got commissioned Water Supply Scheme, PIE Nallah for augmenting drinking water supply at Bhawan and Adh-kuwari of Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Temple. He also got executed another prestigious project for augmenting drinking water supply in Katra town under Special Task Force during his stint at Udhampur. He was promoted as Chief Engineer in October, 2012 and was posted in Designs, Inspections and Quality Control Department of J&K Govt. as Chief Engineer. He is overseeing major assignments of formulation of new Sanctioned Schedule of Rates as per prevailing market rates and revamping the Material Testing Laboratories at Jammu & Srinagar during his present stint as Chief Engineer.

*.....This Centre extends its heartiest congratulations to all the above engineers and wishes them roaring success on their present positions and all future endeavors. This Centre also congratulates all other newly promoted member engineers and wishes them success on their new positions.*



## 45<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of IEI, Jammu Centre held

The 45<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre was held on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2012 at Institutional Complex, Sector – 3, Channi Himmat, Jammu at 3:00 PM. A large number of corporate members from different disciplines attended the Annual General Meeting. Er. Braj Bhushan Sharma, FIE, Chairman presided over the meeting. The following agenda items were discussed:

### Conformation of Minutes of 44<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.

At the outset, Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE, Honorary Secretary welcomed the members. He took up the matter of confirmation of the minutes of 44<sup>th</sup> AGM which were confirmed with a voice vote. It was informed to the house that these minutes had already been circulated among the members of Committee and stood approved by the Committee.

### Presentation of Annual Report for the year 2011-2012.

Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE Honorary Secretary presented the Annual Report for the year 2011-12, wherein he deliberated upon the activities of the centre during the year. The Annual Report along with the audited statement of accounts had been already circulated among the members.

### Passing of the Audited Accounts for the year 2011-12.

The audited accounts for the year 2011-12 were reviewed by the members and passed by the General House in the Annual General Meeting. Earlier, these audited accounts were placed in the Committee Meeting and were passed by the Committee for presentation in the AGM.

### Appointment of Auditors for the year 2012-2013.

It was unanimously decided by the house to re-appoint M/s S. Sethi and Co. as auditor for the year 2012- 2013. The house was informed that the auditor has agreed to audit the accounts of the Centre on the previous fees of Rs. 5000/- only.

While concluding the 45<sup>th</sup> AGM, Er Rabinder Shekher, MIE thanked the members for sparing their valuable time and attending the AGM. He also thanked the Chairman of the Jammu Local Centre Er. B. B. Sharma, FIE for chairing AGM.



*Engineers participating in Annual General Meeting*

# FELICITATIONS !



**Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE while being decorated with Gold & Silver Medals by the Chief Guest on 45<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day**

This Centre congratulates Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE, former Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, J&K Govt. & presently Resident Engineer, Married Accommodation Project of Indian Army & Indian Air Force at Jammu for winning both the R. L. Sharma Memorial Gold Medal and Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal for presenting first best and second best technical papers respectively, during the year 2011-2012. The Medals were presented to him by Jenab Taj Mohi-Ud-Din, Hon'ble Minister for PHE, Irrigation & Flood Control, Government of Jammu & Kashmir on 45<sup>th</sup> Engineers Day celebrated by this Centre on 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2012.

**Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE, is the Second Engineer of this Centre who has won this coveted distinction of bagging both Gold as well as Silver Medals on Engineers' Day.** Earlier, this distinction had been earned by Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE, the incumbent Honorary Secretary of this Centre.

### AMIE SECTION – A [ WINTER SESSION ] EXAMINATIONS HELD

AMIE Section – A Winter Session examinations were held from 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. to 4<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2012 at Govt. Polytechnic for Women, Shiv Nagar, Jammu. 476 candidates appeared in this examination. This Centre is grateful to the Officer-In-Charge of the examinations and the staff who remained associated with the examinations for extending full cooperation for conducting the examinations smoothly.

### LIST OF NEW & UPGRADED MEMBERS

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre congratulates the following Engineers for getting themselves enrolled as corporate members of the Institution of Engineers (India).

1.	Er. M. L. Gandotra, MIE	CV
2.	Er. Priya Bavaria, AIE	ET
3.	Er. Deepak Byotra, MIE	MC
4.	Er. Rahul Gupta, AIE	AS

## IEI COMPLEX



Facilities available at Institutional Complex, Channi Himmat, Jammu.

The Institution has created facilities at Institutional Complex, Sector - 3, Channi Himmat, Jammu which comprises of 03 Nos. AC Double Bed Rooms, 03 Nos. Non - AC Double Bed Rooms, 01 No. AC Lecture Hall and 01 No. AC Auditorium.

The rooms can be utilized by the Corporate Members of the Institution for their / their guests' use. Lecture hall and Auditorium can be utilized for techno - commercial activities like Technical Seminars, Commercial Exhibitions, Science Exhibitions, Book Fairs, etc. related to engineering / technological fields and the like.

*It is pertinent to mention here that "Donation to the Institution is exempted from Taxable Income of the donor under Section 80G(5) (vi) of Income Tax Act.*

Hence engineers of this region are requested to donate generously for the upliftment of Jammu Local Centre.



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## FORTHCOMING ACTIVITY

### World Water Day

On 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2013

#### Theme Topic: "Water Cooperation"

The Interested corporate members, colleague engineers & engineering students are requested to submit the papers by 15<sup>th</sup> March 2013 for the above mentioned activity, so that the same are listed for presentation.

They are further requested that in their papers/power point presentations theme topic should be adhered to and focus should be on the Local problems and new innovative ideas be suggested instead of downloading the content from Internet.

## NEWS FROM HEADQUARTER

The council had approved the proposal to offer the grade of Associate Member (AMIE) instead of Associate (AIE) to those who has passed Sections A & B examination of the Institution or having its equivalent qualification for the grant of Corporate Membership subject to revision of the appropriate Bye - Laws and Regulations of the Council and approval of the General Body of Corporate members at its Extra Ordinary General Meeting (EGM) and Special General Meeting (SGM).



## EDITORIAL BOARD



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