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### From Chairman's Desk



Dear Fellow Engineers,

I feel honoured and privileged to have taken over the charge of Chairman of The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022. I am grateful to the outgoing Committee of the Centre for this honour bestowed upon me. I value this great honour but more than that I value the opportunity for service to the profession and through that to the country. I am conscious of the heavy responsibility which this office carries. I look forward to the co-operation of the new Committee so that together we may strive as a team and work towards meeting the objectives and goals of this great institution. I hope that the valuable guidance of the Past Chairmen, active support and cooperation of the Committee and Corporate Members shall make my job as Chairman meaningful and fruitful. I will do my utmost to ensure that the image of this great legacy Institution rises to higher heights.

The new team places on record the hard work put in by the past Committees and colleague engineers of this Centre in creating a magnificent infrastructure which is one of the best in the country. But a lot needs to be done for optimally utilizing the facilities already created and making this Centre self-sustaining.

The Committee shall endeavour to focus on increasing industry-academia interaction, generating funds for the improvement of the infrastructure, make whole hearted efforts for improving the working conditions of the engineering fraternity and accelerating the membership drive.

I on behalf of the Committee also take this opportunity to extend our greetings and good wishes to all the Members and colleague engineers a very Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2023 and the forthcoming Republic Day on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

With Warm Regards,

Prof (Dr) Bhawna Sharma, FIE  
Chairman

### 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day Celebrated



1. Shri Shiv Anant Tayal, IAS; Managing Director, JPDCL; Chief Guest while garlanding the bust of Sir M. Visvesvaraya on 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day along with Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE; Chairman, IEI Jammu Local Centre.
2. A view of audience during 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day celebrations.
3. Chief Guest while releasing the Annual Issue of Quarterly News Letter of Jammu Centre along with Members of the Editorial Board.

The 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day was celebrated by The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre at its Institutional Complex, Jammu which was attended by large numbers of engineers from various departments and organizations. This day is celebrated all over the country to commemorate the birth anniversary of the greatest engineer Bharat Ratna Sir M. Visvesvaraya.

On this occasion, **Shri Shiv Anant Tayal, IAS; Managing Director, Jammu Power Distribution Corporation Ltd, Power Development Department, J&K Govt. was the Chief Guest.**

At the outset, Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE; Chairman of IEI, Jammu Centre presented the *Welcome Address*.

Rich Tributes were paid to Sir M. Visvesvaraya by Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; Former Honorary Secretary, IEI Jammu Centre in which he highlighted his sterling qualities like Austerity, Integrity, Competence and Discipline.

Later, Er. P. B. Khajuria, FIE; Ex Commissioner, J&K PDD was honoured by the Chief Guest with **IEI Award** for his outstanding services rendered to the engineering profession and to the Institution of Engineers (India). He was presented with a *Gold Medallion* as a mark of respect.



Chief Guest also presented **R. L. Sharma Memorial Gold Medal** to **Er Ajay Kumar Sharma, FIE** for presenting the Best Technical Paper, **Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal** to Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE for presenting 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Technical Paper and **IEI Bronze Medal** to Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE for presenting 3<sup>rd</sup> Best Technical paper during the year 2021 - 22. The Chief Guest also honoured Er. P K Nanda, MIE; Er. B. L. Rawal; MIE Er. Ranjeev Sawhney; MIE; Er. Vijay Sharma, MIE and Er. Joy Ganjoo, AMTIE with mementoes for presenting two or more technical papers during the year 2021 - 2022.

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## 55<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of IEI held



Newly elected Committee Members 2022 – 2024

**Prof. Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE** took over as the new Chairman and **Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE** as new Honorary Secretary for the sessions 2022-2023 & 2023-2024. Results of elections to the Committee of Jammu Local Centre for the Sessions 2022-2023 & 2023-2024 were also announced by Er. B B Gupta, FIE, Convener; Board Of Scrutineers & Past Chairman of IEI, Jammu Local Centre. The Committee for the sessions 2022-2023 & 2023-2024 comprises of Prof. Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE; Chairman, Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE; Honorary Secretary, Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE (Immediate Past Chairman), Er. C. P. Sharma, MIE (Immediate Past Honorary Secretary), Er. Jatinder Kr Sharma, FIE; Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE; Er. Sudhir Sethi, MIE; Er. Anil Verma, MIE; Er. Samir Sharma, MIE; Er. Nitin Mahajan, MIE; Er. Avneet Kr. Gupta, MIE; Er. Mohinder Singh, MIE; Er. Ajay Sharma, FIE & Er. Jatinder Singh Kapoor, MIE.

Prof. Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE, the new Chairman of the Centre is a Professor in Govt. College of Engineering and Technology, Jammu. She is a Fellow of The Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers, New Delhi; Life Member of Computer Society of India, Mumbai and Life Member of Indian Science Congress Association, Kolkata.

Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE, the new Honorary Secretary has Graduated from Govt. College of Engineering and Technology, Jammu. He has also done MBA from University of Pune. He Joined Power Development Department, J&K Govt. in 2009 and presently is serving as Assistant Engineer.

Er. C P Sharma, MIE, Honorary Secretary of the Centre conducted the proceedings and delivered the Vote of Thanks to the august gathering present on the occasion.



Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE  
Chairman



Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE  
Hony. Secretary

## IEI celebrates World Habitat Day- 2022



1. **Er. Vinod Sharma, FIE; Chief Guest** flanked by **Er. B. B. Gupta, FIE; Past Chairman** & **Er. C P Sharma, MIE; Honorary Secretary** while on the dais
2. **A section of audience during the World Habitat Day Celebrations**

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre celebrated **World Habitat Day** at Channi Himmat, Jammu. A seminar on the theme **"Mind the Gap, Leave No one and Place Behind"** was organized in which large number of engineers, professionals and members of the civil society participated.

On this occasion, Er. Vinod Sharma, FIE; Past Chairman, IEI Jammu Centre & Former Commissioner, FDA (Food & Drug Administration) J&K Govt. was the Chief Guest and Er. B. B. Gupta, FIE; Former Chairman, IEI, Jammu Centre presided over the function.

07 Nos technical papers on the theme were presented by Er. S. C. Thukral, FIE; Er. Ajay Sharma, FIE; Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; Er. Ranjeev Sawhney, MIE; Er. Sumil Goyal, MIE; Er. Joy Ganjoo, AMTIE & Er. Akash Dugotra, AMIE.

All the speakers deliberated on the theme in detail regarding providing of habitats to more number of people and the agencies responsible for the construction of housing schemes must plan the new houses scheme so that the maximum number of population is covered. Moreover, one of the speaker also deliberated that the proper facilities should be provided to the people living in slums and small clusters for healthy environment. He also emphasized that the master plan prepared at huge cost should be implemented in full.

Chief Guest informed the house that all the stakeholders must work together in a effective and mutually beneficial manner to implement measure for a Carbon Free Jammu & Kashmir. He further emphasized to create green zones within Jammu City during implementation of Smart City Mission in Jammu.

Er. C P Sharma, MIE, Honorary Secretary of the Centre conducted the proceedings of the Seminar and presented the Vote of Thanks.



**Engineers presenting their papers on World Habitat Day**



## Incharge D' Affairs

### THE INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS [INDIA], JAMMU LOCAL CENTRE

### The Committee 2022-2024



**Prof. Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE** is working as Professor in Govt. College of Engineering and Technology, Jammu. She graduated in Computer Science & Engineering from Pondicherry

Engineering College, Pondicherry and did M.S. Software Systems from BITS, Pilani. She has done Ph.D in Computer Science & IT from University of Jammu. She is Fellow of The Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers, New Delhi; Life Member of Computer Society of India, Mumbai and Life Member of Indian Science Congress Association, Kolkata. She has authored many research papers which have been published in reputed National & International Journals & Conferences. Her areas of interest include Cloud Computing, Computer Networks/ Software Defined Networks, Formal Computational Theory & Database Management. She is currently holding administrative assignments as Chairperson Startup Cell, President of Institutional Innovation Council (IIC), Convener of ARIIA, Coordinator T&P Cell and NBA of GCET, Jammu besides being Member of various committees of the Institute and the panel of examiners of various Universities. She has organized a number of short-term courses, FDPs, Conferences, Webinars, Seminars, Orientation and Awareness Sessions etc. in the capacity of the Convener & Co-Convener.

She was awarded Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal by this Centre twice on 37<sup>th</sup> & 41<sup>st</sup> Engineers' Days for presenting 2<sup>nd</sup> Best technical papers during the years 2004 & 2008 respectively. She has also remained on *Editorial Board* of this Centre for the term 2015-2017. It is her 7<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE** is an alumnus of GCET, Jammu and Masters in Business Administration from University of Pune with dual specialization in Finance and Marketing. He

joined Power Development Department, J&K Govt. in the year 2009 & presently, he is working as Assistant Engineer.

He has always remained very active in the employee welfare activities and was elected as General Secretary of Jammu & Kashmir Electrical Engineering Graduates Association (JKEEGA) for the term 2020-22 & presently has been elected as its President for the term 2022- 24. Besides that, he is also Convener of Jammu & Kashmir Power Employees & Engineers Coordination Committee (JKPEECC). It is his 3<sup>rd</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE (Immediate Past Chairman)** is working as Professor in Sher-E-Kashmir University of Agricultural Sciences and Technology, Jammu. He is the recipient of many awards at State & National Level for his

Outstanding contribution to the field of Agricultural Engineering and has authored many Research Papers, Technical Bulletins & Success Stories which have been published in National & International Journals. He is also Member of faculty of Agriculture, Board of Studies, Board of PG Studies, Research Council, Member Secretary of Scientific Advisory Committee & Member of University Extension Council of SKUAST-J.

He is a Life Member of Indian Society of Agricultural Engineering, Indian Society of Krishi Vigyan, Journal of Hill Agriculture, Indian Ecological Society, Indian Society of Progressive Horticulture & International Journal of Agricultural Engineering. It is his 5<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. C P Sharma, MIE (Immediate Past Hony. Secretary)** is former Executive Engineer from Public Health Engineering Department, Jammu & Kashmir Govt. He happens to

be a distinguished alumnus of The Institution of Engineers (India). He has also remained on *Editorial Board* of this Centre for the term 2013-15. He has done a commendable job in generation of funds from the Engineering Fraternity of this region for construction of IEI Complex at Channi Himmat, Jammu.

It is his 4<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE** has been elected from Civil Engineering Division. He is Former Executive Engineer, Hydraulics, J&K Govt., and is presently working as Consultant with a

Construction Company. He has remained as Honorary Secretary of this Centre for the term 1999 - 2001. He has also remained on *Editorial Board* of this Centre for the terms 2002-2005, 2005-2007 & 2009-2011 besides the present stint in this Board. He has also remained in the *Editorial Board* of Jammu Club for publication of its quarterly Newsletter. He is also Life Member of Indian Water Works Association, Indian Institute of Public Administration and Indian Association of Hydrologists. He has been awarded with many awards at the national and international level. It is worthwhile to mention here that Er. Nanda has been associated with this Centre for more than 3 decades & played a very active and sincere role in construction of IEI Complex at Channi Himmat, Jammu for which he was Member of the Building Sub-Committee also. Pertinently, he also played a pivotal role in generation of funds from the Engineering Fraternity of this region for construction of this IEI Complex and has always remained forthright in the upliftment and welfare of this Centre which he himself has helmed for more than 25 years now.

It is his 13<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Jatinder Kumar Sharma, FIE** has been elected from Civil Engineering Division. He is a Retd. Chief Engineer from Hydraulics Wing of J&K Govt.

It is his maiden stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Rabinder Shekher, MIE** and Chartered Engineer, is working as Executive Engineer in P.W.D, J&K Govt.. He has been associated with construction of Narayana Super-Specialty

Hospital from foundation level to its inauguration by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India in 2016. He remained Honorary Secretary of this Centre for the term 2011-2013. He also remained in *Editorial Board* for the terms 2007-2009, 2011-2013 & 2013-2015. He is recipient of R L Sharma Gold Medal 2006 & Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal 05 times. He has also received Rashtriya Gaurav Award by I.I.F.S New Delhi at Chandigarh in the year 2004. He is Professional Engineer (P.Eng.) by Engineering Council of India (ECI) and life member of IRC, IBC, IIBE, MACCE (I) and Fellow of IAStructE (India). He is visiting faculty to deliver guest lecturers in SMVD University and Yogananda College of Engineering and Technology. Recently, he has been declared elected unopposed to the Executive Committee of Indian Buildings Congress, New Delhi for the year 2022-23.

It is his 7<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Anil Verma, MIE** has been elected from Electrical Engineering Division. He is working as Assistant Executive Engineer in Power Development Department, J&K Govt. Jammu.

He has remained as Honorary Secretary of this Centre for the term 2007-09. He has also remained on *Editorial Board* of this Centre for the terms 2007-2009, 2009-2011, 2013-2015, 2015-2017 & 2017-2019 besides the present stint in this Board. He was awarded R. L. Sharma Gold Medal by this Centre on 37<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day for presenting the Best Technical Paper during the year 2004 & IEI Bronze Medal on 53<sup>rd</sup> Engineers' Day for presenting 3<sup>rd</sup> Best Technical Paper during the year 2020. It is for the information of our Members that functioning of IEI, Jammu Centre was shifted from Gandhi Nagar Complex to Channi Himmat Complex after taking it over from JKPC Ltd. during his Secretaryship of this Centre.

He remains quite active at socio-societal level also and has remained as Member of the Managing Committee of Jammu Club, Jammu (*Term 2016-2018*) which is considered as the elite club of Service Class Officers of J&K. Notably, he has also remained in the *Editorial Board* of this Club for publication of its quarterly Newsletter.

It is his 10<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Samir Sharma, MIE** has been elected from Electrical Engineering Division. He is working as Assistant Executive Engineer in Power Development Department, J&K Govt. Jammu.

He has remained as Honorary Secretary of this Centre for the term 2005-2007. He has also remained on *Editorial Board* of this Centre for the terms 2005-2007, 2013-2015 & 2019-2022. Presently, he is Vice Chairman of The Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers (IETE), Jammu Sub-Centre & has also remained as its Honorary Secretary for the term 2001-2002. He is also Fellow of The Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers, Member of Indian Science Congress Association & Life Member of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA).

It is for the information of our Members that IEI Complex at Channi Himmat, Jammu was inaugurated during his Secretaryship of this Centre.

It is his 11<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Ajay Kumar Sharma, FIE** has been elected form Mechanical Engineering Division. He is working as Executive Engineer, Irrigation & Flood Control Department J&K Govt. He is a graduate

from Jammu University in 1984 & BE in Mechanical from Punjab University in 1988.

He has also remained on *Editorial Board* of this Centre for the term 2019-2022.

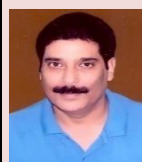
It is his maiden stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Mohinder Singh, MIE** has been elected from Mechanical Engineering Division. He is working as AEE (Mech.) in Jal Shakti Department, J&K Govt. Jammu. He has remained as Honorary Secretary of this

Centre for the term 2013-2015. He is very active and remains associated with the various activities of Jal Jeevan Mission of Jal Shakti Department, J&K Govt. for creating awareness about importance of conservation of water and water resources. He is also very active in the field of fitness, wellness and nutrition arena, Kolkata. He is also Life Member of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) and The Institution of Public Health Engineering.

It is his 7<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Sudhir Sethi, MIE** has been elected from Aerospace Engineering Division. He is former AEE (Mechanical) from J&K Power Development Corporation Jammu. Incidentally, he happens to be the batchmate of Kalpana Chawla; the famous Indian-American Astronaut, and takes pride in being so.

He was instrumental in establishment of J&K Thalassemia Welfare Society, Jammu and presently is its President. He was honoured with R L Choudhary Award by Dr. P. K. Dave, Director, AIIMS, New Delhi in a National Conference held in the year 2002 in which role of Thalassemia Welfare Society, Jammu was highly appreciated. It is the highest Award at national level. He has received many such awards since then for the cause of Thalassemia & organizing many blood donation camps. He is life member of Indian Society of Blood Transfusion & Immunohematology of (ISBIT) India.

He has also remained as Member of the Committee of the Institution of Engineers (India), J&K State Centre, Srinagar for the term 2010-2012 in the Aerospace Engineering Division.

It is his 7<sup>th</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Avneet Gupta, MIE** has been elected from Electronics & Telecommunication Engineering Division. He is working as Executive Engineer in Power Development Department,

J&K Govt. Jammu.

It is his 3<sup>rd</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Dr. Jatinder Singh Kapoor, MIE** has been elected from Mining Engineering Division. He did his B. Tech from NIT, Rourkela & MBA (Finance) from IGNOU.

Presently, he is working as District Mineral Officer, Jammu in Geology & Mining Department, J&K Govt.

It is his 3<sup>rd</sup> stint in the Committee of this Centre.



**Er. Nitin Mahajan, AMIE** has been elected from Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering Division. He is an alumnus of Birla Institute of Technology, Mesra (Ranchi) and did his Masters also from the same Institute.

He joined J&K Power Development Department as Assistant Engineer in the year 2011. In his service career with J&K PDD, he has been posted in different wings including Generation, Transmission, Sub-Transmission and Distribution. It is his maiden stint in the Committee of this Centre.



Er Pooja Wazir  
Member Editorial Board

**Er. Pooja Wazir, AMIE** is working as Executive Engineer in J&K Govt. & is an alumnus of Government College of Engineering and Technology, Jammu.

Notably, she comes from the family background of Engineering Profession being the daughter of an eminent engineer Mr A. S. Wazir, former Chief Engineer (R&B), Public Works Department who was honored by the then J&K Govt. with a Gold Medal for being honest to his profession.

She has been a distinction holder throughout and position holder in Civil Engineering. Appointed as Assistant Engineer through J&K Public Service Commission in the year 2007, She is presently posted as Executive Engineer in RUSA Deptt. She has also helmed this Centre as Member of the Committee for the term 2017-2019. She is additionally devoted to Social Service and is an active Member of Police Wives Welfare Association (PWVA), Jammu.

This is her 2<sup>nd</sup> stint as Member of IEI *Editorial Board*.

## IEI Celebrates Energy Conservation Day



1. **Er. Ajay Gupta, FIE; Chief Guest, Satish Chalotra, Keynote Speaker, Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE Immediate Past Chairman & Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE Honorary Secretary on the dais**
2. **A view of audience during Energy Conservation Day celebrations**

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Centre celebrated **Energy Conservation Day** at Institutional Complex, Sector-3, Channi Himmat, Jammu. The function was attended by engineers from various Departments & Organizations and Senior Engineers along with Members of the Committee of IEI, Jammu Local Centre.

The National Energy Conservation Day is celebrated on 14<sup>th</sup> December every year since 1991 to aware people about the importance of energy as well as saving and conserving more energy by using less energy.

On this occasion, Er. Ajay Gupta, FIE Hon'ble Member, Joint Electricity Regulatory Commission, J&K and Ladakh UTs & Former Chairman, The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Centre was the **Chief Guest** whereas Dr. Sanjay Khar, FIE, Immediate Past Chairman, IEI Jammu Centre presided over the function.

At the outset, Dr. Sanjay Khar presented the **Welcome Address** and introduced the relevance of the day to the audience. He spoke about the initiatives of the Institution of Engineers (India) towards sensitizing the society towards the goal of energy conservation. It was followed by a **Keynote Address** by **Er. Satish Chalotra, Former AEE, Power Development Department, J&K Govt. & Certified Energy Auditor, Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Govt. of India**. He emphasized on various initiatives which have earlier been taken up by Govt. of India in rest of the country and now are being vehemently introduced in J&K UT with an objective to reduce the energy consumption in various sectors like Industries/Commercial Complexes / Airports/ Railways through various informative programs.

A **Presentation Contest** on the theme of Energy Conservation was also held amongst the participants from Govt. College of Engineering & Technology, Jammu (GCET) and after evaluation Er. Shranney Sharma and Er. Aakrti Verma stood first and second respectively in this contest.

Er. Ajay Gupta, FIE, Chief Guest lauded the elaborate speech of the Keynote Speaker and appreciated the efforts of the Jammu Local Centre for organizing this event to spread a message among the stakeholders on the need of energy conservation and initiatives being taken by Bureau of Energy Efficiency and Govt. of India on this.

Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE, Honorary Secretary conducted the proceedings of the event & while speaking on the occasion he said that Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi has fixed a goal that for every household in India; access to energy must be affordable and reliable as it empowers people and further improves the ease of living. In line with the goal set for the country; IE (India), Jammu Local Center is also standing at forefront to create awareness among the masses on this day. Lastly, he presented the Vote of Thanks to the august gathering and media personnel for their active participation.



Er. Satish Chalotra



### ***Er. P L Saraf passes away***

Er P L Saraf, Former Executive Engineer & Member of the Institution of Engineers (India) passed away on 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 at Jammu. He is survived by his wife and two sons. He was a respectable Engineer, a therapist, and a social worker. He has left an indelible mark on the hearts and minds of people who had worked or remained connected with him.

He did his BE in Civil Engineering from erstwhile REC Srinagar in 1968. He joined Govt. service on 28.01.1970 and after serving for almost 31 years with J&K Govt. in different departments/locations retired on 30.09.2002.

Coming from an affluent family background, he still was extremely hardworking, dedicated, courteous, compassionate, impartial in his behaviour and truly a people's man - always available for everyone in good & bad times. His zeal for learning new things never stopped even after his retirement. He did a full-time course in Sujok Therapy from Kolkata and started his practice in Jammu. He was an excellent athlete, represented school/college at various levels in Cricket, Badminton, Hockey, and other sports. Being a sports enthusiast, he continued his passion for sports during his entire career and post retirement was really into watching all kind of sports.

A fine human being he will be fondly remembered as someone who always volunteered for a cause, to help the needy or the underprivileged be it relatives or others. He was associated with almost 9 different organizations with a mission to help individuals & society. He also served as a President for Bhartiya Vikas Parishad - Trikuta Nagar Chapter, Jammu.

This Centre expresses its deepest condolences on his sad demise and prays to Almighty to grant peace to his departed soul and courage to the bereaved family members to bear this colossal loss.

### ***Er. R. K. Seli passes away***

Er. Raj Kumar Seli, Former Development Commissioner (Power) & Fellow of the Institution of Engineers (India) passed away on 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2022 at Noida. He is survived by his wife and two daughters. He was popularly known as Er. R. K. Seli and was born in 1951. He joined REC, Srinagar now NIT in 1967 and passed out in Electrical Engineering in the year 1973 with Honours. All through the period of graduation, he was a meritorious and hard working student.

He joined Power Development Department, J&K Govt. as Assistant Engineer in the Year 1973 and by the dint of hard work, sincerity & integrity rose to the level of Chief Engineer and finally retired as Development Commissioner (Power) in the year 2009.

He was most lovable subordinate and a cooperative officer. His way of working both as a subordinate and as an officer was highly appreciable. Moreover, his behavior towards teammates as well as co-workers was always cooperative and submissive.

This Centre expresses its deepest condolences on his sad demise and prays to Almighty to grant peace to his departed soul and courage to the bereaved family members to bear this colossal loss.



**Er. Parshotam Lal Saraf, MIE**  
Retd. Executive Engineer  
(27.09.1944 – 04.11.2022)

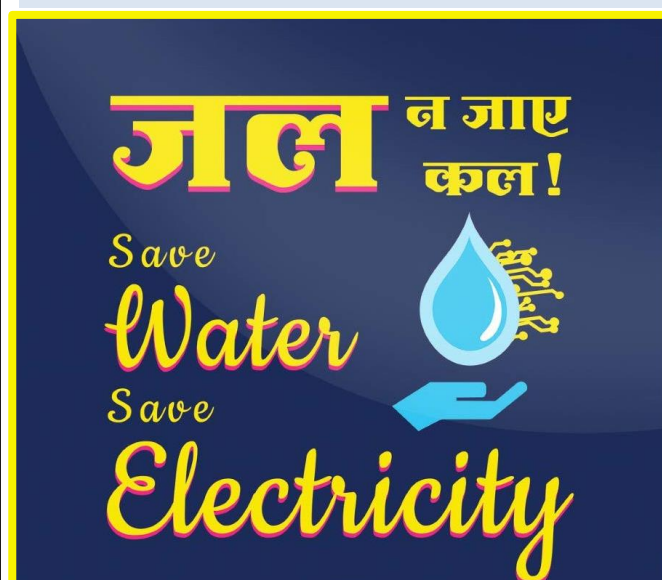


**Er. R K Seli, FIE**  
Retd Development Commissioner  
(Power)

### **LIST OF NEW & UPGRADED MEMBERS**

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre congratulates the following engineers who have been enrolled as Corporate Members of the Institution of Engineers (India).

F-1289779	AJAY KUMAR SHARMA
F-1290106	RAJINDER KUMAR PANDIT
F-1291064	PURAN BHARAT GANDHI
F-1292524	YUDH VIR GUPTA
F-1293148	SHAKTI SAGAR
M-1760623	SUNIT KUMAR
M-1763509	TRIBAWAN NATH PANDITA
M-1768446	PROVIN BHAT
M-1769566	INDERPREET SINGH
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AM3033999	PUNEET SINGH
AM3044796	ISHANI GUPTA
AM3046578	DEEPAK DUTT
AM3048635	MARAJ HUSSAIN
AM3050257	PRANAV CHOPRA
AM3052039	KARAN BHARDWAJ
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## 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day Celebrated

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**Engineers while receiving mementoes from the Chief Guest on 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day**

In addition to above, first issue of 20<sup>th</sup> Volume of quarterly News Letter of Jammu Local Centre was also released by the Chief Guest in presence of Editorial Board comprising of Dr. Sanjay Khar, Er. Anik Gupta, Er. Samir Sharma, Er. Sunil Seth, Er. Ajay Sharma & Er. C P Sharma.

Chief Guest highlighted role of engineers in the development of the country especially remarkable progress achieved in the space sector, chipset designing and modern artificial intelligence based applications to prepare the country to make huge impact on the world map. He acknowledged the role of J&K Engineers in both public & private sector for making land mark progress towards the development of the Union Territory. He also sought cooperation from the Institution in creating a techno-vibrant environment in Jammu region so that dearth of skilled & technically sound manpower is addressed and void felt by public and private sector are addressed.

The *Inaugural Session* was followed by a *Technical Session* which was chaired by Er. Vinod Malhotra, FIE; Former Development Commissioner, Town Planning, Jammu in which 05 Nos papers were presented by Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE; Er. Ranjeev Sawhney, MIE; Er. Joy Ganjoo, AMTIE & Er. Akash Dugotra AMIE, on the theme "Smart Engineering for a Better World".

Er. C P Sharma, MIE; Honorary Secretary of the Centre conducted the proceedings of the function and presented Vote of Thanks to the august engineers, guests, line departments and media persons for making this function a success.

## FELICITATIONS TO THE GOLD, SILVER & BRONZE MEDALLISTS!

This Centre extends its heartiest Congratulations to Er Ajay Kumar Sharma, FIE for bagging R L Sharma Memorial Gold Medal & Er. B L Rawal, MIE for bagging both the Rudra Bhagwati Silver Medal & IEI Bronze Medal on the 55<sup>th</sup> Engineers' Day.



## FORTHCOMING ACTIVITY

### World Water Day

On 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2023 (Wednesday)

Theme Topic: "Awaited"

The interested Corporate Members, Colleague Engineers & Engineering Students are requested to submit the Papers by 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 for the above mentioned activity, so that the same are listed for presentation.

**The Institution of Engineers (India)  
Jammu Local Centre**

wishes a very  
*Happy & Prosperous*  
*New Year 2023*

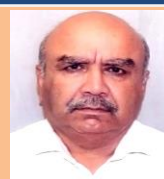
**TO ALL THE ENGINEERS**



## Editorial Board



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Editorial Director



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