



World Water Day - 2019 celebrated



1. Er. Ashok Kumar Gandotra, Chief Engineer, PHE, Jammu; Chief Guest flanked by Er. Ravi Chanyal, FIE; Chairman & Er. Vijay Sharma, MIE; Hony. Secretary of IEI, Jammu Centre on the dais while Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE deliberating on the theme.
2. A section of audience during the seminar.

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Centre celebrated **World Water Day** on 22nd March, 2019 at Institutional Complex, Channi Himmat, Jammu by holding a seminar on theme "**Leaving no one behind**". The seminar was attended by a large number of Engineers & Hydrologists from various Departments, Organizations and Senior Engineers.

Er. Ashok Kumar Gandotra, MIE; Chief Engineer, Public Health Engineering Department, Jammu was the *Chief Guest* on this occasion. The function was presided over by Er. Ravi Chanyal, FIE; Chairman, Jammu Local Centre.

On this occasion, 07 Nos. technical papers on the theme were presented by Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE; Er. Vinod Kumar, MIE; Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE; Er. Ranjeev Sawhney, MIE; Er. Sunil Seth, MIE; and Er. Akash Dusgotra, AMIE.

The speakers advocated for judicious use of water so that this essential commodity is available to all the people and no one is left behind and deprived of it. They also lamented the rising pollution levels in River Tawi which are making it difficult to fulfill the demand of portable water for Jammu city through this resource. Further, they expressed their concern regarding over extraction of water from underground resources and straining them. To fulfill the future needs of water for Jammu town, it was felt necessary that Govt. be requested to utilize Chenab River water to offset the gap between demand and supply of water. Lastly, the speakers requested the audience to spread the word "**JAL HAI TAU KAL HAI**" among all the citizens so that importance of water is realized by one and all and it can be preserved through optimum use for future generations. This is all the more necessary because the way the water resources are depleting, it is feared that future wars among humanity will be on water.



Er. Ashok Kumar Gandotra

Chief Guest assured the audience that he is making all efforts to provide 24 x 7 water supply to Jammu town. In this regard, he appealed to the citizens to install float valves in their storage tank taps so that wastage of water can be arrested. He emphasized on the slogan "**Water Saved is Water Produced.**"

Er. Vijay Kr Sharma, MIE; Honorary Secretary conducted the proceedings of the seminar and presented the Vote of Thanks to the august gathering.

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MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Er. Vinod Sharma conferred with FICA



Er. Vinod Sharma, FIE

Er. Vinod Sharma, FIE has been selected as Life Fellow of ICA (Indian Council of Arbitration) in the category of "Engineers" and has been empanelled as Arbitrator. Presently, he is working as Director General, J&K Stationary & Office Supplies and is former Chairman of the Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Centre. It is worthwhile to mention here that Er. Vinod Sharma has held many coveted posts which are otherwise held by IAS/Senior KAS officers. Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation; Vice Chairman, Jammu Development Authority; CEO, Economic Reconstruction Agency J&K & CEO, Jhelum & Tawi Flood Recovery Project are such posts held by him.

It is also worthwhile to mention here that he has been inducted in the common pool of posts in Super Time Scale in the rank of Secretary to J&K Govt. since April, 2018 which is a matter of pride for the engineering fraternity of our state.

This centre feels honoured in congratulating Er. Vinod Sharma for these achievements.

Er. Ajay Gupta superannuates



Er. Ajay Gupta, FIE

Er. Ajay Gupta, FIE working as Executive Director, J&K State Power Development Corporation has retired from J&K Govt. service after rendering more than 39 years of unblemished service in JKPDD/JKSPDC. Er. Gupta was born in Srinagar and did his initial schooling from Srinagar. After that he graduated from REC Srinagar (Now NIT Srinagar) in 1980. During studies, he remained associated with Student Chapter of IEI and Youth Hostel Association of India. He started his service career as Apprentice Engineer in 1980 and got selected as Junior Engineer in JKPDD in 1981. In the year 1982, he cleared J&K Public Service Commission and was appointed as Assistant Engineer in J&K Power Development Department. He cleared Engineers' Accountancy Exam in 1983 and did basic course in French from Jammu University followed by a postal 1 year MBA Diploma from Ahmedabad.

In the year 2008, State Administrative Council appointed him as Chief Engineer, Electric M&RE Wing, Jammu during the Governor's rule at the age of 48+. Since 2015, he also held the joint assignment of Chief Engineer & Executive Director, JKSPDC. In the last leg of his professional career, J&K Govt. gave him the additional charge of Development Commissioner (Power) & was on this post for 92 days during which he ensured completion of Saubhagya Scheme. **Pertinently, Er. Gupta holds the distinction of serving as Chief Engineer/Executive Director for more than 11 years in J&K Govt.** In the year 2019, Govt. appointed him as Advisor (Representing Govt. of J&K) to associate with Indo-Pak Indus Water Commission for 4 days for visit to the Chenab Valley Projects by the Indian and Pakistani High Commissions.

During his tenure as Executive Director JKSPDC, the officer had the privilege to sell the Baglihar Stage-II Power (270 MWs) in the open market at very attractive rates of over Rs. 4/- per unit fetching a total revenue of over Rs. 500 crores to JKSPDC. These rates of sale of power to Bengal, Haryana & Nepal have been the best in the country so far in the hydro sector.

Er. Gupta is former Chairman of the Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Centre & besides this holds Life Membership of ISKCON International, Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), Jammu Club, Royal Spring Golf Course, Srinagar & Jammu Tawi Golf Course. He is also an empanelled Arbitrator with the Institution of Engineers (India) & Fellow of ICA.

This Centre wishes him a happy and prosperous post retirement life.

Er. P. K. Nanda honoured at various fora

Er. P. K. Nanda, MIE; one of the Senior most Members & Former Hony. Secretary, IEI Jammu Centre & Former Executive Engineer, Hydraulic; J&K Govt. presently working as Consultant with a Construction Company from Hyderabad has delivered 3 Nos. lectures from 1st January, 2019 to 31st March, 2019, i.e. Conservation & Preservation of Water in workshop on Water, Sanitation & Hygiene organized by CCDU Dept. Jammu.. The purpose of these lectures was to create awareness among masses for conservation of water. On the occasion, he was honoured by Sh. Chander Mohan Gupta, Mayor Jammu Municipal Corporation, Dr. Raj Kumar Dogra, MD, Swarangan Meditation Trust (NGO) & Er. Vinod Gupta, ED, CCDU, Er. Ashok Gandotra, CE, PHE & Er. Ajay Gupta, Former Chairman, IEL, Jammu Centre.

He was invited to deliver a lecture on 15th March, 2019 on emerging & innovative trends in engineering technology in national conference and Exhibition organized by GCET, Jammu & also participated in Interaction Session with the engineering students of the college. **So far, Er. Nanda has presented 86 Presentations and has been honored 85 times on different occasions by various organizations.**

This Centre feels proud in congratulating Er. Nanda for his untiring efforts in achieving this marvellous and commendable achievements.



Being Honoured by Sh. Chander Mohan Gupta, Mayor Jammu Municipal Corporation on 16th January, 2019



Being Honoured by Dr. Raj Kumar Dogra, MD, Swarangan Meditation Trust (NGO) along with PHE officers on 26th February, 2019



Being Honoured by Er. Vinod Gupta, ED, CCDU, Er. Ashok Gandotra, CE, PHE & Er. Ajay Gupta, Former Chairman, IEI, Jammu on 22nd March, 2019

Seminar on Sensitisation to Earthquake Resistant Design Concepts held at IEI, Jammu



The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre organized a Presentation/Seminar on "Brainstorming Session and Sensitisation to Earthquake Resistant Design Concepts" on 4th February, 2019 at Institutional Complex, Sector - 3, Channi Himmat, Jammu.

On this occasion, Sh. Pankaj Magotra, KAS, Commissioner, Jammu Municipal Corporation was the *Chief Guest*, Sh. Lalit Kumar Mengi, FIE, Former Chief Engineer, PWD (R&B), Jammu & Sh. M. M. Gupta, MIE; Former Chief Engineer, J&K Govt. and MD JKPC, presently Chief Engineer, Shri Mata Vaishno Devi Shrine Board were the *Guests of Honour*.

The talk and presentations on the subject were given by Prof Rupen Goswami, Associate Professor at IIT Madras & Ms. Alpa Sheth, Managing Director, VMS Consultants Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai. The experts interacted with the stakeholders/esteemed audience for implementation of latest developments and updating of codes concerning Earthquake Resistant Design Concepts.

A Large Number of Engineers, Members, Institutional Members, Officers from BRO, Professors, Scientists, Students and Members of the Civil Society from all walks of life attended the Presentation/Seminar.

Er. Vijay Sharma, MIE; Honorary Secretary conducted the proceedings of the seminar and Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE; Former Hony. Secretary; Coordinator of the Seminar presented the Vote of Thanks to the august gathering.

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).

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AMIE EXAMINATION (SUMMER SESSION)

AMIE Section - A & Section - B Summer Session examination will be held from 1st June to 7th June, 2019 at Govt. Boys Hr. Secondary School, Bakshi Nagar, Jammu. All the students appearing in these exams may kindly take note of it.



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FORTHCOMING ACTIVITY

World Telecommunication & Information Society Day

On 17th May, 2019 (Friday)

Theme: "Bridging the standardization gap"

The interested corporate members, colleague engineers & engineering students are requested to submit the papers by 12th May, 2019 upto 4:00 P.M. for the above mentioned activity, so that the same are listed for presentation.

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