



THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF WELDING

(A Member Society of The International Institute of Welding)

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Dear friends,

A number of significant events of the Institute have occurred since our last Newsletter.

Firstly, the National Welding Meet 2010 (NWM'10) was conducted by Chennai Branch at Hotel Sunway GRT Grant, Puducherry on 6th August 2010. Around 150 delegates attended. Chennai branch needs to be congratulated on the excellent way they organised the event.

Secondly, the AWS Lecture series has become an important Annual Event of the Institute and this year Mr. Walter J. Sperko, **Chairman, ASME Section IX and President, Sperko Engineering Services, Inc. Greensboro, North Carolina USA** visited India to deliver the AWS Vth series of lecture on **"The Secrets to Using ASME Section IX"**. Needless to mention, this was a very popular topic and Mr. Sperko delivered his lecture in Pune, Mumbai, Baroda, Surat, Delhi, Kolkata and Chennai. Our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Sperko for his efforts. We also thank Mr. N. K. Sarkar who coordinate the above programme very efficiently and successfully.

The 44th Annual General Meeting of the Institute were held on the 25th of September 2010 at Hotel The Golden Park, Kolkata. I once again thank all the branches for their cooperation in holding the Annual General Meeting in time.

During the gathering of the members for the Annual General Meeting and Council Meeting, opportunity was taken to have daylong meeting of Steering Committee for the 64th IIW Annual Assembly and International Conference. I am glad to report that there had been significant progress towards organising this mega event. With the appointment of **KW Conference** for Assembly and International Conference and **Unitech Expo** for Welding Exhibitions, venues for all programmes and meetings were finalised.

Opportunity was also taken to have a ½ day Strategy Session to deliberate on and develop Phase-II of our Strategic Plan for 2010-12. A presentation was made by Executive Director on latest achievements, status and vision for phase-II followed by Vision Plan 2011-12 by Chairman, G. P. Committee. Members will agree that there have been significant achievements in the first 2-years but we need to take the Institute's activities another step up during the next 3-years and we expect to finalise Phase-II of the Strategic Plan in the next Council Meeting.

I would end by wishing all members and their families and friends a joyous festive season starting with the Navratri, Durga Puja, Dushera followed by Deepavali.

Regards,

Parimal Biswas
Hony. Secretary General, IIW-India

44th Annual General Meeting

The 44th AGM of the Institute was held on Saturday, the 25th September 2010 at the Piccadilly Hall, Hotel The Golden Park, Kolkata at 5:30p.m. Altogether 56 members attended the AGM. The new Council Members elected in the Council for the year 2010-11 are given below:

President: Mr. R. Ravi

Past Presidents: Mr. C. C. Girotra
Mr. A. K. Mukherjee

Vice Presidents:

Mr. P. K. Das Mr. R. Srinivasan
Dr. A. K. Bhaduri Mr. M. D. Agrawal

Hony. Secretary General:

Mr. Parimal Biswas

Hony. Treasurer: Mr. A. K. Datta

**Members representing Fellow/
Member/ AM/ APM:**

Mr. N. K. Sarkar Dr. Hasan Shaikh
Prof. S. K. Agrawal Mr. T. A. Ramesh
Mr. K. K. Kashyap Mr. B. K. Mishra
Mr. Som Ashutosh

**Members representing Industrial
Corporate Member:**

M/s. ESAB India Ltd., Chennai
M/s. IGCAR, Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu
M/s. GEE Limited, Thane, Maharashtra
M/s. MAILAM India Ltd., Pondicherry,
Tamil Nadu
M/s. Larsen & Toubro Ltd., Powai,
Mumbai
M/s. Sur Iron & Steel Co. (P) Ltd.,
Kolkata
M/s. ADOR Welding Ltd., Mumbai

Chairman of various Committees:

International Comm.: Mr. R. Ravi
Technical Comm.: Dr. S. K. Albert
G. P. Comm.: Mr. S. K. De
Finance Comm.: Mr. A. K. Datta
Education Comm.: Mr. Amitava Mukherji
ANB-India Comm.: Mr. B. K. Mishra

National Welding Meet (NWM) 2010

The National Weld Meet (NWM-2010) were organised by Chennai Branch this year at Hotel, the Sunway GRT Grant on **Friday, the 6th August 2010** on the theme "**Recent Advances in Welded Fabrication**". Around 42 papers were presented in two parallel sessions. Around 15-delegates attended. This one-day event was a grand success.

AWS Lecture Series V

Mr. Walter J Sperko, Chairman, ASME Section IX and President, Sperko Engineering Services, INC., Greensboro, North Carolina, USA, was nominated by the AWS to deliver the **AWS Lecture Series - V** in India on the topics 'The Secrets to using ASME Section IX' as it would be relevant to the Indian fabrication and construction industry.

Mr. Sperko's lectures were held in seven Indian cities, hosted by five corresponding branches of IIW-India from 3rd September and continued till 11th September, 2010. The lectures were delivered at the following venues, and attended by about 700 delegates as follows:

Date	venues	No. of participants
03.09.10	Delhi	54
06.09.10	Kolkata	130
07.09.10	Chennai	136
08.09.10	Pune	80
09.09.10	Mumbai	112
10.09.10	Surat	75
11.09.10	Baroda	75

The lecture duration at each venue was four hours. Each delegate was handed over a CD containing the complete presentation for future reference, and these also included the latest modifications to ASME Section IX that were accepted as recently as in August, 2010.

Calendar of Events

• **Annual Branch Seminar of IIW-India Kolkata Branch WELD 2010** will be held on 20th November 2010 at Hotel Golden Park, Kolkata on the theme "**Welding – Its progress in Industry**".

• **IIW International Congress 2010:** The IIW International Congress will be held at Sofia, Bulgaria from 21-24 October 2010. Programme and on-line registration are available on the congress website: <http://iiwcongress2010.com>

• **National Welding Seminar 2010:** The NWS 2010 will be organised by Vizag Branch during **21st-23rd December** this year at Gurjada Kalakshetram / Training and Development Centre, Visakhapatnam SteelPlant, Ukkunagaram, Visakhapatnam.

• **64th IIW Annual Assembly & International Conference 2011:** The 64th IIW Annual Assembly & International Conference will be held at Chennai from 17-22nd July 2011. The 64th Annual Assembly will be held at Hotel Le Royal Meridian, Chennai from 17-22nd Jul, 2011, whereas the **International Conference (21-22nd Jul, 2011)** and **WELD INDIA 2011 Exhibition (21-23rd Jul, 2011)** will be held at Chennai Trade Centre, Chennai.

ANB Refresher Course Calendar (IWCP):

Baroda: 19th – 23rd Oct., 2010.

Vizag: 26th – 30th Oct., 2010.

Kolkata: 9th – 13th Nov., 2010.

Chennai: 30th Nov – 4th Dec., 2010.

Mumbai: 14th – 18th December, 2010.

NWTCS Certification:

Two welder's certification were conducted by IIW-India at IPFT (Rishi Laser), Pune for 10-candidates and DBTI (Park Circus), Kolkata for 8-candidates by Mr. K. V. Rangachari and Mr. S. C. Mitra respectively.

ANB Refresher Course:

Three ANB-India Refresher Course were organised at Rourkela (8-candidates), Kolkata (10-candidates) and Chennai (25-candidates). Altogether 43-candidates participated in this Transition Arrangement programme.

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