

India Members Chapter

Comments: Provided in the following is a brief summary of India Members Chapter activities during the year from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

- As one of Chapter's main objective, we continued to provide guidance to new immigrants to channel their way through the Association's registration process.
- The Chapter organized multiple events, including pizza and presentation events, and a summer picnic that contributed to the professional growth and career development of its members. These events further provided opportunities for its members to meet, exchange views and experiences, establish networks, and lastly, to socialize.
- From 58 registered Chapter members, the Chapter's membership roster grew to 86 registered members during the last period (and is still growing). The membership list includes, Indian or Indo-Canadian Professional Engineers (P.Eng.), Professional Geoscientists (P.Geo.) and Members-in Training (MIT) within the Province of Manitoba.
- The Chapter opened a chequing account at Assiniboine Credit Union.
- The Chapter created multiple social media platforms including, Facebook, LinkedIn, and WhatsApp to stay in touch with its members and executives.
- The Chapter partnered with other ethnic chapters to establish an annual GPA-based \$500 award for IEEQ members. The cost to each of the three Chapters was \$167/year.
- Collaboration with other ethnic chapters was further enhanced by attending each other's events, knowledge sharing as well as planning for joint events. For future joint events, IPAC (India, Philippines, Arab & Chinese) term was formulated.
- A couple of informal social events, on July 22 and on November 21, were organized with Mr. Grant Koropatnick and his spouse to acknowledge his unrelenting support for our Chapter. These events were attended by Chapter executives and their significant others.
- Four executive meetings were held during the period to plan for future events and discuss lessons learned from past events. These meetings took place on July 28, November 15, January 30, and March 27. Invitations were also sent to Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba representatives to attend these meetings.

- The Chapter held its first annual picnic on August 13, 2016, at St. Vital Park, which was attended by close to 50 people.
- The Chapter is currently working on creating a Profile as well as creating a website to garner more interest from the community at large.
- The Chapter provided feedback on the Chapter Constitution Refresh Project which the Council has embarked upon.
- The following sub-committees continued to facilitate and coordinate:
 1. Mentoring New Engineers/Geoscientists – Mr. Jitendra Paliwal
 2. Finance and Fundraising – Mr. Ketan Josh
 3. Public Relations and Outreach- Mr. Vaibhav Banthia
 4. Upkeep of the Constitution – Mr. Ketan Joshi
- On March 13th, 2017, the Chapter's second dinner meeting and technical presentation event was held. Ms. Lindsay Melvin, President of Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba, provided an enthralling presentation on "Expectations on Engineers" and Mr. Krishnamurthy Vijayan gave an educative presentation on Mobile substations. In addition to the executives and invited guests almost 34 members joined the event.
- On May 30th, 2017, the Chapter held its AGM which was preceded by a very well received presentation from Ms. Sharon Sankar on "Navigating the Registration Process at Engineers Geoscientists Manitoba". The AGM included the President's Report, Financial Report, followed by Election of new executives. Four executives were elected for a two year term and two executives were elected for a one year term setting the stage to elect four executives each year to facilitate continuity of 50 percent of the executive every year. In a subsequent executive meeting, one advisor was elected for three year term. The complete list of all the executives and advisors and their respective terms is attached as Appendix 1. In addition to the executives and invited guests almost 40 members joined the event.
- The planned future activities are as follows:
 1. IPAC Picnic at St. Vital Park, August 19, 2017
 2. Tour of StandardAero Facilities, October 12, 2017
 3. Celebration Night Dinner in April 2018
 4. Work is in progress to complete Chapter's profile and website
- Members interested in finding out more details and/or to join the India Chapter are requested to email India Chapter at egmindiachapter@gmail.com.



**INDIA CHAPTER OF ENGINEERS GEOSCIENTISTS
MANITOBA**

EXECUTIVE ELECTED AT THE GENERAL MEETING OF MAY 30, 2017

VAIBHAV BANTHIA	PRESIDENT	TERM 2 YEAR (NEW)
JITENDRA PALIWAL	VP TECHNICAL	TERM 2 YEAR (NEW)
NISHANT DHRUVE	VP COMMUNICATIONS	TERM 1 YEAR (NEW)
KETAN JOSHI	VP FINANCE	TERM 1 YEAR
ANAND BIRUR	COUNCILLOR	TERM 1 YEAR (NEW)
SILONI GOEL	COUNCILLOR	TERM 2 YEAR (NEW)
ASIT DEY	COUNCILLOR	TERM 1 YEAR
KRISH VIJAYAN	COUNCILLOR	TERM 2 YEAR (NEW)

ADVISORS APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE ON MARCH 16, 2016

RAMKRISHNA GODSE	TERM 2 YEAR
MADHAV SINHA	TERM 1 YEAR
ARUN OGALE	TERM 3 YEAR

EX-OFFICIO MEMBER

RAMESH GUPTA	PAST PRESIDENT	TERM 2 YEAR (NEW)
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