

INDIAN BUILDINGS CONGRESS
Minutes of 1st meeting of the Executive Committee for 2023-2024 held
on 28th July, 2023 at Conference Room, IBC HQ at New Delhi

The following members were present: -

S. No.	Name	Designation
1.	Maj. Gen. Ashok Kumar	President
2.	Shri Vijay Singh Verma	Immediate Past President
3.	Shri O.P. Goel	Founder President, IBC
4.	Shri C. Debnath	Vice-President (Virtual)
5.	Shri Hitendra Mehta	Vice President (Virtual)
6.	Shri KK Kapila	Past President
7.	Shri K.B. Rajoria	Past President
8.	Dr. P.S. Rana	Past President
9.	Shri SK Vij	Past President
10	Shri B. Majumdar	Past President
11	Shri D.S. Sachdeva	Permanent Invitee
12	Shri H.S. Dogra	Permanent Invitee
13	Shri Dinesh Kumar	Permanent Invitee
14	Shri VR Bansal	Permanent Invitee
15	Shri Rajeev Kumar Gupta	Hony. Secretary
16.	Shri N.K. Singh	Dy. Secretary (Tech)
17.	Ms. Sunita Joshi	Administrative Officer

ITEM-1: Welcome by the President

At the outset, the President welcomed all the members present in the meeting. He expressed his gratitude to all present and sought guidance of the senior members and support of all present for moving forward. Thereafter he requested the Honorary Secretary to take up the agenda of meeting for discussion.

ITEM-2: Confirmation of the minutes of 8th meeting of the EC held on 09.06.2023 & Recommendations of EC meeting held on 11.06.2023 for election of Office Bearers for the year 2023-24

Since no comments were received, the minutes of the 8th EC meeting held on 09.06.2023 and Recommendations of EC meeting held on 11.06.2023 were confirmed as circulated.

ITEM-3: To discuss Follow up actions on decisions taken in previous EC meetings

i) *Meeting with seven pillars of IBC*

EC noted the information

ii) *Realisation of subscription from Institutional members*

EC noted the information.

The President requested the Hony. Secretary to send a reminder letter to all those, against whom the arrears are pending. The President desired that the IBC Secretariat should talk to all the institutional members over telephone and status should be reported to the EC in the next meeting.

President also requested other senior members to assist in realizing the arrears from the concerned members.

iii) *Increase in number of Membership*

Hony. Secretary informed that effort shall be made to increase the membership. He requested all the senior members to assist in increasing the membership base of IBC through their good offices.

iv) *Report to improve working of IBC in future:*

Following issues were discussed and their outcomes decided:

<p>a) <i>IBC should try to add more pillars from the Private Sector firms.</i></p>	<p>Shri Vijay Singh Verma, Past President apprised that he had written letters and spoken to L&T & Shapoor Ji Pallonji to associate them with IBC as pillar members.</p> <p>The President expressed that IBC must try to associate them by contacting to become pillar members. President also suggested association with IITs, NIITs and other Technical Institutions of relevance and reputation for association and collaboration.</p> <p>Shri S.K. Vij, the Past President suggested that DLF and such like builders can also be made a pillar member.</p> <p>After detailed discussion, it was decided that IBC should associate pillar members from the private sectors of repute too.</p>
<p>b) <i>It was decided that the position of the President should be filled up by rotation from amongst these pillars.</i></p>	<p>EC approved and noted the recommendations and dropped the item.</p>
<p>c) <i>It was also decided that we should have an Administrative Officer in IBC who could be designated as Director General. He should preferably be in the</i></p>	<p>Shri Kapila suggested appointing Executive Director.</p> <p>Shri D.S. Sachdev suggested that for appointment of Executive Director in IBC. He further suggested that the eligibility criteria, duties and the responsibilities</p>

<i>age group of 50 – 65. Other things being equal, the younger person should be preferred.</i>	remuneration be finalized. After detailed discussions, EC accepted the proposal.
<i>d) It was also agreed to review the entire Administrative set up of the IBC and proper service rules should be framed for them. While framing the new rules, the existing rules may also be referred to.</i>	After detailed deliberations, EC decided that the President to constitute a sub-committee of experts to improve working of IBC
<i>e) It was felt that IBC must also take up R&D work to improve its image and stature in the eyes of Building Industry in the country</i>	After detailed discussion. EC to consider the names of Past Presidents in services / retired E-in-C/ Director Generals and eminent engineers .from the Government services to take up R&D work to improved image of IBC
<i>f) The papers selected for mid-term and annual sessions should be of a high technical standard, so as to keep the members fully engrossed when the deliberations take place.</i>	EC took a note and dropped the item
<i>g) It was also felt that IBC must encourage the younger generation to come forward and, in this context, the upper age limit for election to the GC should be 60 years. The elders can be special invitees to the GC.</i>	EC decided that the upper age limit for election to the GC should be 65 years. The elders can be special invitees to the GC and dropped the item.
<i>h) It was decided that EC should periodically meet to brainstorm, as to how to improve the stature of IBC once every quarter.</i>	President opined that relevant topics may be decided for brain storming sessions.

v) *E-mails received form Sh. S.C. Kakkar Fmr. DS(A), IBC*

EC took note of the matter that a mail has been sent on 21.07.2023 to Shri Pradeep Mittal, Past President under intimation to the Members of the Committee, asking Shri Mittal to make available the information within 30 days as per direction of EC.

Shri H.S. Dogra expressed his deep concern that this case of financial mismanagement of IBC funds has not been taken seriously during the last many years.

Shri O.P. Goel pointed that as per decision of earlier meeting some of the members were supposed to give their report/ documents to the Committee so that Committee could finalize the report.

EC directed the Secretariat to take up with concerned members for making available the desired documents to the committee.

vi) *Recommending Civil Engineering Products by IBC*

Shri D.S.Sachdev mentioned that IBC does not have mandate for approval of products. Shri H.S.Dogra suggested that IBC should take baby steps in this regard. Shri O.P. Goel opined that IBC can take up the work on similar lines as is being done by IRC. Shri V.S.Verma mentioned that to move forward, IBC should take up the task of recommendations of the product as the points raised earlier by Shri Dogra have already been attended in the modified draft Manual.

After detailed deliberations, EC decided that the draft manual be examined by the Advisor (Tech), IBC and his report should be submitted in the next EC.

vii) *Restart Executive Training Program*

Shri K.B.Rajoria suggested that activity of training should be started immediately. After detailed deliberations, EC decided that Shri D.S Sachdev be requested to submit his proposal to IBC regarding Executive training programme for consideration in next EC meeting.

ITEM-4: To discuss Status Report of the Technical Committee of IBC

EC noted the information; However, in respect of 'Document on Common Data Environment' and Elemental Cost Analysis of the Infrastructure projects, Shri V.S.Verma, Chairman of Committee informed that the draft document will be submitted in next one month.

ITEM-5: Matters pertaining to membership of IBC

EC considered and approved all the 15 applications for enrolment as the life-members and one institutional member of IBC.

ITEM-6: Venue & Dates for next meeting of Governing Council

EC suggested that possibilities can be explored for holding next Governing Council by requesting active chapter of IBC like Jaipur State Chapter and IBC Kota local chapter.

The President welcomed the suggestion in this regard and affirmed that IBC will take up the matter with IBC Jaipur State Chapter and Kota IBC Local Chapter.

ITEM-7: The topic for the seminar to be held during Mid-term session

It was decided that the suggestion for topic / theme for holding the next Mid Term Seminar of IBC may be invited from EC & GC members by 20th August, 2023.

ITEM-8: To co-opt members on Governing Council under Rule 9.4.2

Shri Pankaj Tyagi ED (L&A), Indian Railways & Shri Rakesh Kumar, Engineer-in-Chief -cum-Spl. Secretary, BCD were co-opted during 104th GC meeting held on 11.06.2023.

Further 16 members are to be co-opted on GC under Rule 9.4.2. After detailed deliberations and considering suggestions received from various members, the following members were co-opted in the GC for the year 2023-24.

1. Shri Binod Kumar Jha, BCD, ML 9810
2. Shri Ravi Kant , CE DDA
3. Shri Shubam Shah (ML 9355) for young Category
4. Prof. (Dr.) Madhura Yadav, Architect – Planner & Director, School of Architecture and Design Manipal University Jaipur
5. Shri K.P. Singh, E-in-C (I) Municipal Corporation of Delhi (ML 3259)
6. Shri G.P. Mathur Managing Director, Gian P. Mathur & Associates (ML 8070)
7. Ms. Veena Sinha IRSEE, Chief Electrical Service Engineer, Northern Railway
8. Er. Toli Bashar, CE, Arunachal Pradesh PWD & Fmr. President, IRC (ML 5451)
9. Shri Siddharth , Assistant Professor, Poomima University, Jaipur (ML-6967), for young Category
10. Shri Ashutosh Kanungo, CE, Madhya Pradesh Industrial Devlp Corporation
11. Shri Krishna Kant, Fmr. UN Expert & CE, CPWD
12. Ms Shikha Chaurasia, Deputy General Manager, ICT Pvt. Limited
13. Shri Gopal Varshney, Chief Engineer, CPWD, BFZ

It was also decided that President will finalize and add more names to fill remaining vacancies.

ITEM-9: To Consider Appointment of Treasurer

Shri Kapila suggested the name of Shri Vijay Choudhary, Chief General Manager, NBCC (I) Ltd. for the post of Honorary Treasurer in IBC. Shri D.S.Sachdev wanted to know whether Shri Choudhary is on pay roll of NBCC(I) Ltd. and suggested to obtain the bio-data of Shri Choudhary from NBCC (I) Ltd and examine his eligibility as per IBC rule.

Another name of Shri Gopal Varshney, CE, CPWD was suggested by the Shri D.S. Sachdev for the post of Hony. Treasurer of IBC.

After detailed deliberations, EC considered and decided to go for Shri Vijay Choudhary, if eligible otherwise Shri Gopal Varshney, CE, CPWD may be got approved for the appointment of Hony Treasurer of IBC from Governing Council.

ITEM-10: To fill vacancies under various Rules 9.1.3.1 to 9.1.3.10

Few suggestions were received for the vacancies. However President was authorized to co-opt the members on behalf of the EC.

ITEM-11: To nominate six members in EC for the year 2023-24

After detailed deliberations and considering various suggestions from the members, EC nominated the following EC members for the year 2023-24.

1. Shri Ravi Kant, CE DDA
2. Ms. Veena Sinha IRSEE, Chief Electrical Service Engineer, Northern Railway
3. Shri Krishna Kant, Fmr. UN Expert & CE, CPWD

It was also decided that President will finalize and add more names to fill remaining vacancies.

ITEM-12: To Consider settlement of disputes raised by M/s RKMT Buildcon Pvt. Ltd, contractor vide his letter dated 12.06.2023

After detailed deliberations, EC decided after taking consent of Contractor, the two amongst five Vice Presidents be nominated for the DRC. The appointment of the Chairman shall be decided by the President.

ITEM 13. To consider unaudited Income & Expenditure statement for F.Y. 2022-23 & 1st April, 2023 to 30th June, 2023 and Estimated Income and Expenditure

EC noted the information

ITEM-14: To consider reframing Guidelines for S.P. Jakhanwal Best Paper Award

EC decided that Shri S.P. Jakhanwal may be consulted in the matter.

ITEM-15: Any other item with the permission of the Chair

In respect of local conveyance to the Honorary Secretary for visiting IBC office and other local offices in connection with IBC work, EC approved to reimburse the conveyance on the basis of Government of India TA rules for local journey.

Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair

Dated 14th August 2023



(Rajeev Kumar Gupta)
Hony Secretary, IBC