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Chairman

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Dr. S. C. Nimkar
Hon. Secretary

From Chairman's Desk

Dear Engineers,

Worldwide both developing and developed countries are in a struggle to vaccinate their population, which is bearing fruit to a great extent. More than a dozen vaccines now have been authorized around the globe; many more remain in development. The COVID-19 pandemic has been an austere and painful reminder that nobody is safe until everyone is safe. On one side the whole world is fighting hard against the pandemic and on the other side it is thriving hard to revive the economy. The pandemic has caused unparalleled effect on the livelihood of the people. IEI Belapur Local Centre throughout the pandemic period tried to conduct various activities in the online mode.

IEI BLC-FCRIT Excellence Award function was jointly Organised by Belapur Local Centre and Fr. C. Rodrigues Institute of Technology, Vashi. These awards are given biannually. This is second year of awards. We have received overwhelming response from various parts of country. All the statutory days were celebrated by arranging webinars. World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development was celebrated on 4th March 2021 in association with FCRIT, Vashi in which the stress for creating a better world by ending poverty, fighting inequality and addressing the urgency of climate change were discussed. World Water Day was celebrated on 22nd March 2021 in association with Universal Engineering College, Vasai. Theme for this year was "Valuing Water" which aims to create awareness among the population on the importance of freshwater, its true value and how we can better protect this vital resource.

Keshav K. Varkhedkar
Chairman

World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development 2021

World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development was celebrated at The Institution of Engineers Belapur Local Centre in association with FCRIT, Vashi on 4th March 2021 by online mode. Mr. V. Ravikanth, Asst. Vice President, Reliance Industries Ltd was the keynote speaker for the programme. Mr. K. K. Varkhedkar, Chairman, IEI, BLC gave welcome address and elaborated theme of World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development. Mr. Shoiab Shaikh, Asst. Professor, FCRIT introduced Chief Guest. Mr. Ravikhan explained the role of geo-synthetic material in sustainable development. He has also stressed its application in various fields. Carbon footprint reduction is main advantage of geo synthetic material. 70 participants including Professionals, Managers, Policymakers, & Students attended the program. The programme was concluded by giving vote of thanks by Dr. S. C. Nimkar, Hon. Secretary.



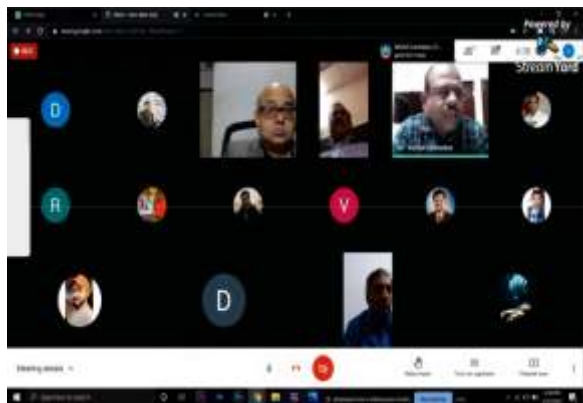
Welcome address by Mr. K. K. Varkhedkar,
Chairman, IEI, BLC



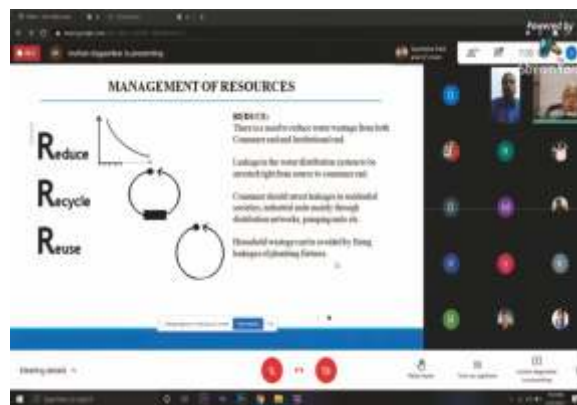
Online presentation by Mr. V. Ravikanth

World Water Day 2021

The World Water Day celebrates water and raises awareness of the global water crisis, and a core focus of the observance is to support the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 6: water and sanitation for all by 2030. Belapur Local Center celebrated world water day on 22nd March 2021 in association with Universal Engineering College, Vasai. Theme for this year is "Valuing Water". Dr. M. B. Dagonkar, Member BOG Water Management Forum and Council Member IEI delivered keynote address. Dr. Jitendra B. Patil, Principal, UCoE gave welcome address. Mr. K. K. Varkhedkar, Chairman, IEI, BLC gave brief information about IEI and elaborated theme of World Water Day. Ms. Makwana Vrushti, UCoE introduced the guest. Dr. Dagaonkar explained importance of water and stressed on its preservation. He also informed audience about future consequences if we continue wastage of water. 117 participants including Professionals, Managers, Policymakers, & Students attended the program. Votes of thanks are presented by Mr. Shreyans Dodia, UCoE. Program was coordinated by Dr. S. C. Nimkar, Hon. Secretary and Prof. Asir Khan, UCoE.



Welcome address by Mr. K. K. Varkhedkar,
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Key note speaker Dr. M. B. Dagonkar,
Member BOG Water Management Forum, IEI

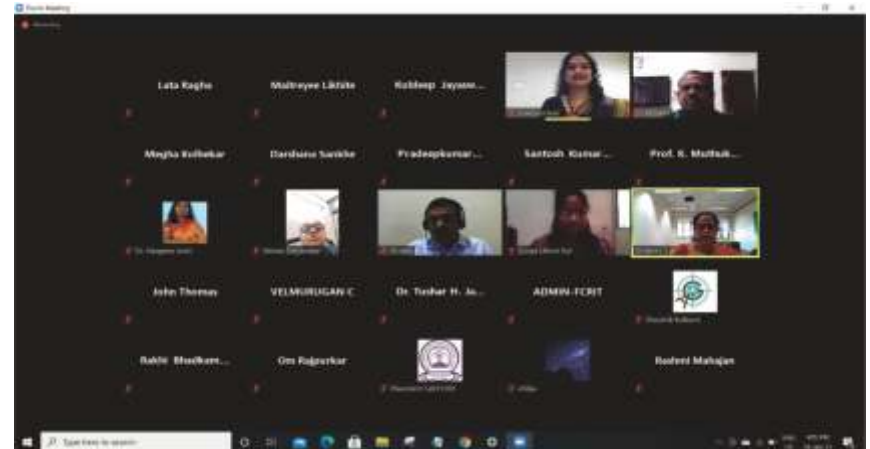
IEI BLC –FCRIT Excellence Awards 2021

IEI BLC-FCRIT Excellence Award function was jointly organised by Belapur Local Centre and Fr. C. Rodrigues Institute of Technology, Vashi. These awards are given biannually. The brochure for this edition was launched on August 1st, 2020 and widespread publicity was given. The IEI BLC-FCRIT Excellence Awards has various categories like Industry Excellence (IE), Academic Excellence (AE) and Research Excellence (RE) for teaching faculty as well as students. Among the students awards, there are sub-categories for undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD students. In this edition, a new sub-category "Regional" was introduced to encourage participation from the local Institutes. Also, among the Industry Excellence category, a new sub-category of "Start-up Excellence" was introduced to encourage this new form of entrepreneurship. The submission guidelines were made available to the applicants along with the brochure.

This year, hundred proposals were received in various categories. Proposals came from premier Institutes like IIT Kanpur, IIT Bombay, IIT Guwahati, IIT Roorkee, NIT Rourkela, NIT Raipur, VJTI Mumbai. Approximately 50% of the applications came from outside Maharashtra. There was one invited proposal from college of Education, South Africa too. Judges panels with diverse and vast experience evaluated the proposals. Some of the Judges were senior Professors from academia, research Institutes, while some were from foreign Universities. Some were experienced Industry persons and some young entrepreneurs too. The host Institute was allowed to participate in this event as the Judges were completely outside the Institute. There were twelve winner trophies declared from various categories. In addition to winners, two other best proposals were awarded recognition. The awards function was conducted online during the Valedictory function of ICNTE-2021 hosted by FCRIT; on 16th January 2021. Dr. Mohan Dagaonkar Council Member (IEI Kolkata) spoke on this occasion about the golden history of IEI and the vision of IEI. Mr. Keshav Varkhedkar, Chairman IEI Belapur Local Centre, elaborated the activities of BLC and laid out the details of the excellence awards to the audience. The awardees

were felicitated online with verbal appreciation, and they shared their thoughts distantly. During this event, many eminent personalities praised the initiative. Among them were Prof. J. Ramkumar IIT Kanpur, Prof. Satyendra Mittal IIT Roorkee, Prof. Sunil Kr. Pandey Principal, ITS Gaziabad, Prof. Rajkumar Pant IIT Bombay and Prof. Shripad Mahulikar IIT Bombay. The winner in the RE (Faculty-National) category Prof. J. Ramkumar said that the awards like this are an encouragement for the researcher and every such effort to appreciate motivates them to span greater heights. The winner in AE (Faculty-National) category Prof. Shripad Mahulikar expressed the need for collaboration to raise the quality of teaching and research. Among the student awardees, Mr. Abhinay Kumar (IIT Guwahati), recipient of RE (Student-PhD) category, also shared that he felt very encouraged and motivated receiving this award.

Organising committee comprises of Mr. K. K. Varkhedkar, Dr. M. B. Dagaonkar, Dr. S. C. Nimkar, Mr. V. C. Kamble, Mr. S. P. Singh from Belapur Local Centre and Mrs. Sadhana Pai, Dr. Sushil Thale, Prof. Aiyar, Mr. Khirsagar and Dr. Pritha Bhattacharya from Fr. C. Rodrigues Institute of Technology, Vashi. Prof. Megha Kolhekar from FCRIT was the convener of the award function. The entire function was a grand success in spite of the social distancing norms followed under pandemic conditions because of modern video conferencing tools and Internet connectivity. Many participants expressed their happiness about the way the award function was organized.



Notice for 27th AGM

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NOTICE

12.03.2021

To,
All IEI Members,
Belapur Local Centre,
The Institution of Engineers (India)

**SUBJECT: 27th Annual General Meeting of
The Institution of Engineers (India) - Belapur Local Centre (IEIBLC)**

Dear Members,
The 27th Annual General Meeting of Belapur Local Centre of the Institution of Engineers (India) will be held on 23rd April 2021 at 6.30 pm by online mode due to corona pandemic situation. (Link will be shared 2 days before meeting)

1. To Confirm the Minutes of Meeting of the 26th Annual General Meeting of the Belapur Local Centre, held on 18th October, 2019.
2. To Consider the Annual Report of the Belapur Local Centre and the Audit Report for the year 2019-20.
3. Appointment of Auditor for the year 2021-22 and to fix their remuneration.

You are requested to actively participate in the meeting with your valuable suggestions to help the growth of our Centre.

Thanking you,
Your's faithfully,

(Dr. Samir C. Nimkar)
Hon. Secretary

Encl:

1. Minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting held on 18th October 2019.
2. Copy of the Audited Accounts along with Audit Report for the year 2019-2020 including Balance Sheet, etc.

Agenda approved by the Chairman, IEI, BLC

Er. Keshav K. Varkhedkar
Chairman

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