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Designed by: Dr. D. S. Meshram



ITPI, Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter Building, Naya Raipur was inaugurated by Shri Mohammad Akbar, Honourable Minister for Transport, Housing and Environment, Forest, Food, Civil Supply and Consumer Protection, Government of Chhattisgarh

INAUGURATION OF CHHATTISGARH REGIONAL CHAPTER BUILDING, NAYA RAIPUR

Shri Mohammad Akbar, Honourable Minister for Transport, Housing and Environment, Forest, Food, Civil Supply and Consumer Protection, Government of Chhattisgarh, while inaugurating the Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter Building at Naya Raipur, on 7th November, 2020; congratulated the present team of Office Bearers of Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter and also the ITPI Headquarter for extending their full co-operation and financial assistant for completion of building in the record time.

He was happy to know that the building will be equipped with computer hardware and software and accommodate library facilities and committee rooms. Honourable Minister, quoting the example of Chandigarh, Jaipur and Bhubaneshwar mentioned that planning has been in forefront in our country, and this tradition need to be followed up. In Chhattisgarh about 44.21% land is under forest cover which accounts for 59,772 sg. km. against 1.35,192 sq. km. land mass of our state and this forest cover requires to be protected to maintain

ecological balance. He also highlighted the need to create awareness about the benefits of planning to the masses. He has also mentioned that there are hardly 90 planners in our state, which is quite inadequate, therefore, there is a need to start Schools of Planning at least in large towns and therefore, Government of Chhattisgarh, will make efforts to open new Schools of Planning in Chhattisgarh. He has also mentioned that he will provide all the assistance to create awareness about planning in the Chhattisgarh state.

Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, Institute of Town Planners. India mentioned that NRDA allotted 1200 sq. mt. land to Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter, ITPI in 2016 while foundation stone was laid on 1st May, 2019 and, today, we are gathered here to inaugurate the building, thus the construction of building has been completed by Shri Zahid Ali, Chairman of Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter and his Team in record time. We thank and congratulate the team and office bearers of CRC, for working hard to complete



the task in record time. He also congratulated Shri Sujit Rodge, Architect who has accomplished not only planning and design but also supervised the construction of building. He then mentioned that CRC building will be equipped with state of art equipment and will be repository of data related to urban development and planning, efforts will be made to focus on education and research activities and will assist the state government by rendering technical imputes. He also congratulated the members of CRC, for putting the confidence in the Executive Committee of CRC, and not to create hurdles in construction and completion of building.



Shri Mohammad Akbar, Honourable Minister delivering the inaugural address



Shri Jjitendra Shukla, IAS Director Town Planning, Government of Chhattisgarh addressing the participants Shri Jjitendra Shukla. IAS, Director Town Planning, Government of Chhattisgarh, in his address mentioned that he has been involved in planning and development activities for quite some time and lamented that his experience shows that much more time is given on implementation / construction work and very less time is given on preparation of Master Plans which should be other way round. Because more time is required to be

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ITPI

The Annual General Meeting of the Institute of Town Planners, India was held on 27th November 2020 at the ITPI HQ. New Delhi, at 14.00 hrs. Welcoming the members to the Annual General Meeting Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, ITPI, mentioned that AGM is being called in accordance with Article 11 to 13 of given for planning, which needs to be prepared taking into consideration past, present and future scenario so as to focus on the fulfilment of the aspirations of local communities. He has also lamented that uncontrolled development is very difficult to control in future, therefore, it is always better to plan in advance i.e. proactive planning is the best option. Planners should not hesitate in giving good suggestions and their suggestions are always welcome, he mentioned.

Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Secretary General, ITPI also narrated the events since establishment of Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter, procurement of land and construction of building and its completion and also put on record the hard work done by Shri Zahid Ali, Chairman of Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter and his team.

Shri Kapoor, also mention that Institute of Town Planners, India will always be prepared to provide all the assistance including finances required by Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter.

Shri Zahid Ali. Chairman of Chhattisgarh Regional Chapter also gave the account of events, which have taken place since the inspection of CRC, in August 2015 and a decision of the Council ITPI taken during the National Town and Country Planners Conference held at Raipur in 2016 for procurement of land and construction of CRC building at Nava Raipur. He thanked the NRDA and all others who have contributed in procurement of land and construction of building specifically ITPI, HQ., for providing financial assistant of Rs. 1.35 crore for construction of building, besides assistance provided for purchase of land from NRDA specifically to Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, ITPI and Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Secretary General, ITPI for their generous assistance and help.

Prof. Abir Bandopahyay, Chairman of the Building Committee of CRC, also addressed the gathering and Shi S. K. Mishra, Secretary, CRC extended the vote of thanks to the dignitaries, participants and members of CRC, for their presence and contribution.

Item No. 1: To receive, consider adopt, the Balance Sheet, and Auditors Report for the year

Memorandum of Articles of Association and Bye-

Laws of ITPI, and then took up the agenda items as

enumerated in Article 20 as given bellow:



ended on 31 March 2020 and the Report of the Council.

Balance Sheet, and Auditors Report

Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Secretary General, ITPI gave the highlights of the Audited Statement of the Accounts for the year 2019-2020; which was already circulated on 29th October, 2020. After discussions the members present, unanimously adopted the Audited Statement and Auditors Report for the year 2019-2020.

Proposed by: Shri Rajnath Kumar Seconded by: Shri Dipankar Sinha

Report of the Council for the year 2019 - 2020.

Secretary General also read the Report of the Council for the year 2019-2020, which was already circulated 29th October, 2020. After discussions the members present, unanimously adopted the Report of ITPI Council for the year 2019-2020.

Proposed by: Prof. Dr. Pankaj Bahadure

Seconded by: Shri Sourabh Suman

Item No. 2: Election of the Members of the Council in place of those Retiring: The Scrutinizers' Report on the Council Elections for the year 2020 - 2021.

The Scrutinizers' Report for the ITPI Council Elections for the year 2020 - 2021 was presented by Dr. Sandeep Kumar Raut, Scrutinizer and declared following members as elected for the Council for the year 2020 - 2021.

General Constituency

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Special Constituency (Chairmen of Regional Chapters)

James Mathew Prof. Dr. Ashok Kumar A. K. Srivastava Jitender L. Bhople Gurpreet Singh

Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram; Milind B. Patil; and Pradeep Kapoor would be Ex-officio members being immediate Past President Vice-President and Secretary General respectively (as per Bye-Law No. 35).

Item No. 3: To appointment Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

The members decided to continue M/s Sarkar and Associates as Auditors for the year 2020 - 2021 on the same remuneration fixed during the year 2019 - 2020 in AGM.

Proposed by: Shri Rajeev Malhotra Seconded by: Shri K. P. Subramanian



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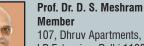
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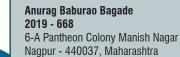




Networking Meeting of Planning Schools



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NETWORKING MEETING OF PLANNING SCHOOLS / INSTITUTES

The Institute of Town Planners, India organized Networking Meeting of all the schools / institutes recognized by ITPI, on 12th December, 2020 (online) at ITPI, HQ. The networking meeting was Chaired by Shri N. K. Patel, President, ITPI, who in his presidential address noted that the basic aim of this meeting is to achieve synergy between the Schools of Planning and the ITPI to understand the challenges being faced by the town planning education and also by the Schools / Institutes imparting town planning education. Such meetings will also be organised for the professionals, specifically with Town and Country Planning Department of States and Central Governments to achieve interface between the education and profession. He then invited Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President Emeritus, ITPI to introduce the agenda.

Prof. D. S. Meshram, while introducing the agenda mentioned that, in order to achieve the interface between planning education and profession, ITPI has been convening such meetings at certain intervals. He then narrated the issues slated for discussion which includes 'achieving interface between education, industry and market'; 'initiating B. Planning and integrated planning programmes'; 'standardisation of nomenclature of planning programs'; 'curricula revamping with focus on latest technologies'; 'an initiative of State

and Central Governments'; 'up-gradation of skills of professionals and teaching faculty / department's'; 'networking among students from recognised Institutions by ITPI'; 'measures to increase the number of students for undergraduate planning program'; and 'addressing shortage of planning professionals and teaching faculty (demand and supply)'. He then mentioned that three experts from education have been invited to present their views after that there will be open house discussions.

Prof. Dr. P. S. N. Rao, Director, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, in his presentation underlined that B. Planning needs to be energised, therefore, all the Schools imparting planning education should start B. Planning programs on priority. There should be separate examination for planning students and accordingly, NTA have been approached by ITPI, as planning is separate and distinct discipline and not the appendix of Architecture or Engineering. The integrated 5 vear program leading to Master of Planning degree be promoted with provision of exit after 3rd year, to give wider choice to students. Curricular revamping is being done periodically and regularly and efforts should be made to include latest innovations and technologies like GIS, GPS, artificial, intelligence, etc.; beside the central and state governments schemes / programs also merit inclusion in the

syllabus. Teachers training program should be introduced however, it is more important that teachers should upgrade themselves.

Prof. Dr. N. Sridharan, Director, SPA, Bhopal, in his presentation was of the opinion that all the schools recognised by ITPI needs to start B. Planning and Integrated Planning Programs, beside he has also suggested to explore the possibility of initiating integrated Ph. D program as well. Rural planning and development should also be included in the curriculum and also in planning studios. 24 Regional Chapters of ITPI located in state capitals, should be encouraged to initiate short term capsule program for development of professionals. He also brought into focus the urgent need to standardize the nomenclature of undergraduate and postgraduate programs as B. Planning and M. Planning. He then pointed out that number of applications for undergraduate planning program are reducing year by year therefore, effort needs to be made to attract students at 10 + 2 level to opt for planning discipline.

Prof. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Dean (Academic), SPA. Delhi in his presentation while giving logic for expansion of town planning profession and education brought into focus four aspect i.e. (i) demographic: as the population is slated to increase from 31% to 50% by 2050; (ii) number of cities and towns will also increase in terms of area and population; (iii) economics: cities will be producing more GDP, and will produce more wealth, more employment, more taxes, and (iv) under 73rd and 74th Constitution Amendments DPCs and MPCs are required to be created. He touched yet another aspect, by mentioning that planning profession being interdisciplinary the aspect of communication and negotiation skill assumes priority as market activists dominate the scene while planners are apologetics. Envisioning cities as commodity is not correct, he lamented.

Shri S. B. Khodankar, Secretary General, ITPI mentioned that networking meeting of planning schools will be followed by the interaction with Directors / Chief Planners of Town and Country Planning Department of States and Development Authorities and professional from planning practise/ profession.

After presentations by Key-Speaker open house discussions were taken up in which following members participated and raised certain issues as given below:

 Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Former Secretary General, ITPI mentioned that NOS-Plan was created at the initiatives of ITPI in 1971, to provide the platform to students of planning from various schools, with the objective to develop the community of planning students for becoming better planning professionals of tomorrow. However, certain issues among the students came to fore and therefore, ITPI intervened and sorted the same. NOS-Plan has now amended their constitution in order to keep the continuity and to observe accountability of the student who become office bearers of NOS-Plan.

It was suggested that all the recognised schools by ITPI, appoint a faculty as coordinator to co-ordinate students activities in NOS-Plan and schools should collect the membership funds from their students and pass on to NOS-Plan accounts. All the students from recognised schools by ITPI to participate in the activities of NOS-Plan regularly.

- Prof. Dr. Razzak, Dean, SPA, Vijayawada raised the issue of employability of qualifications for qualified planners' job in government sector and should have common eligibility criteria. Similarly, Development Authorities / Local Bodies should also have common eligibility criteria.
- Prof. Dr. Ashwani Luthra, from School of Planning, GNDU, Amritsar, mentioned that the efforts are being made to arrange internship through Highway Authority and Centre for Environment. He also applauded that the Senior and Fellow members of ITPI were very useful and very co-operative towards conducting the study at Baroda, for his students. Curricula revamping is being done regularly however, report writing and communication skill requires extra efforts. ITPI needs to rope in all the recognised schools by them with reference to networking among students of NOS-Plan, which was not possible due to some problems, but now that ITPI intervened in the matter and got short out their problems, GNDU will participate activity because students get benefit through NOS-Plan activities, which build the confidence among them, as they compare themselves, where they stand and make efforts accordingly to improve their performance.
- Prof. Uttam Roy, from I.I.T., Roorkee, suggested that online practice of participation is becoming common, and ITPI, therefore, should encourage this mode of participation. Research policy paper be prepared and taken up with UGC and AICTE in this matter, besides Training for Teachers (ToT) for faculty development is very important and ITPI

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Networking Meeting of Planning Schools

Planners News Letter should propagate it. ITPI should also consider to institute award for best teacher.

- Chindambra Swamy from SPA, Mysore, also highlighted the need for faculty development and requested ITPI to take initiatives in this direction.
- Prof. Dr. Jagdish Singh, from MNIT, Bhopal was of the opinion that which subjects to be included in the curriculum be left to the schools imparting town planning education to suit to their local / regional conditions. The non-planners teaching the town planning subjects in some of the Institute recognized by ITPI is not desirable as they are neither qualified nor experts in town planning and therefore ITPI needs to issue advisory in this regard.
- Dr. Dave, from SVNIT, Surat, mentioned that they are considering to start B. Planning and M. Planning courses with specialisations and will also ensure that students from SVNIT will participate in the NOS-Plan activities.
- Pardeep K. from Anna University, Chennai, raised the issue that the consultancy group taking planning jobs / projects are not deploying the qualified planners and ITPI needs to intervenes in this matter and requested ITPI to Institute common portal for employment of planners and further highlighted the need to impress the SAP authorities to observe teacher - students ratio as prescribed by AICTE, and increase the number of faculty, accordingly.
- Swati Mishra, from BIT, Meshra, informed that the name of Department has been changed and integrated course in planning has also been launched.
- Preeti Kaur, from LPU, Phagwara, opioned that basic qualifications for post-graduation in town planning should be expanded, and requested ITPI to share the information on Integrated planning course leading to Master of Planning. She also emphasized to initiate Rural Planning and Development programs.
- Prof. Rashmi Asht, from Hindu College of Architecture and Planning, Sonipat, informed that students from their college are being employed in Departments of Haryana Government. She also recommended to start awareness program so as to attract more students to planning stream. And requested ITPI to guide institutions accordingly.
- Prof. Ajit Kaliyat, from Sushant University, Gurgaon, emphasized to have common pool of avenues on entrepreneurship between schools, recognised by ITPI. He also welcomed the idea

of ToT program and requested ITPI to have more such meeting of networking with schools and industry.

- Dr. Siba Sarda, from Hindustan Collage, Chennai, also desired to start awareness program so that more number of students get attracted to planning stream at both undergraduate and postgraduate level, and also desired to start integrated program leading to Master's Degree in Planning in her collage. She also requested to promote research in planning.
- Charu, from Amity University, Noida, also impressed on ITPI to address the issue of employability in public sector for planning students, and also for starting integrated planning course in her institute.
- Dr. Gayatri, from NITTE School of Planning, Bangalore, also endorsed to take up awareness program to reach out to 10+2 students, for attracting more students, towards planning stream and also suggested to achieve synergy between AICTE and ITPI towards eligibility criteria for admissions in B. Planning.
- Prof. Manish from Sister Nivedita School of Architecture and Planning, Kolkata, was also of the opinion to initiate the awareness program through Regional Chapters of ITPI, to attract more students to opt for undergraduate planning courses, and also suggested ITPI to increase their sphere of activities, to get more visibility.
- Prof. Poonam Prakash, Head, Physical Planning Department, SPA, New Delhi mentioned that efforts should be made to reach out to the students and also to the community. Training for teachers and professionals be made mandatory. She has also mentioned to devise certain measures to regulate the practice in public, private and corporate sectors.
- Prof. Nikhil Mondal, from SPA, Bhopal was of the opinion that employment opportunities are required to be created for the qualified planning professionals. As the number of applicants are decreasing for B. Planning program there is a need to launch awareness program to attract the students of 10+2 levels. He has also made a point that professionals from other disciplines like Architecture / Engineering are percolating in planning discipline, therefore planners should also make efforts to percolate in other disciplines. Efforts should also be made to create Meta Institutions.
- Prof. Sanjukta Bhaduri, Professor of Urban Planning, SPA, New Delhi was of the opinion to

decide bottom line for employability if number of planners are required to be increased. She has also recommended to start online degree programs in planning.

- Prof. Mayank Mathur, Professor of Physical Planning, SPA, New Delhi suggested to include the latest innovative technologies like GIS, GPS, Artificial Intelligence in the planning syllabus.
- Prof. Sewa Ram, Professor Traffic and Transportation, SPA, New Delhi, recommended to institute ranking of planning schools imparting town and country planning education recognized by ITPI and also to create more specializations and super specializations in planning discipline and list of pools of such courses be mentioned through knowledge bank. ITPI journals are

of very good quality and senior planning professionals / academicians be invited to write research paper and also students of planning be encouraged to write papers for publication in ITPI journals. He also suggested to Institute awards for planning professional and also for academicians.

 Arbindam Biswas, from IIT, Roorkee was of the opinion to encourage dual degree program with major and minor specializations.

Prof. Dr. Mayank Mathur, Secretary (ESC), ITPI extended the vote of thanks to the Key-Speakers, Office Bearers of ITPI and participants for devoting their valuable time for participating in the networking meeting.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR MEMBERS OF ITPI

Onetime Subscription for Existing Fellow/Associate Members

The Annual Subscription for Associate Member of ITPI has been revised to Rs. 1000/- and for Fellow Member to Rs. 1500/- with effect from January 2020. Any existing member may opt to pay one time subscription by paying 10 times of Annual Subscription. For Fellow Member onetime subscription is of Rs. 15,000/- and for Associate Member it is Rs. 10,000/-.

Existing Members who have paid onetime subscription as per previous rates may opt for the new scheme by paying the balance amount and they would be entitled for the Benevolent Fund as per the new scheme (Rs. 1.00 lakh in case of Associate Member and Rs. 1.50 lakh in case of Fellow Member). Payable amount shall be as follows:

- For Fellow Member Rs. 15,000/- minus already paid amount (Rs. 900/- or Rs. 1500/-as the case may be) = Balance Amount Payable (Rs. 14,100/- or Rs. 13,500/-)
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Online Updation of Members Contact Details

ITPI, HQ., is in the process of updating the database of Members of ITPI and launching Membership Portal to facilitate more services online to Members. On ITPI website www.itpi. org.in an updated Form has been uploaded for updating the of contact details of Member. It is mandatory for the Members to furnish there detail online.

Members are therefore, requested to spare 5 minutes to fill the above Form on site and submit the same online. As many publications and other letters address by ITPI receive back undelivered due to incorrect addresses or other reasons, therefore, ITPI is in the process of making it paperless as far as possible, therefore, Members are requested to furnish the information in the prescribed form before 30th September, 2021. This will facilitate to share ITPI information with all members without delay and help ITPI minimizing the wastage on postage and courier costs, etc.

S. B. Khodankar Secretary General, ITPI





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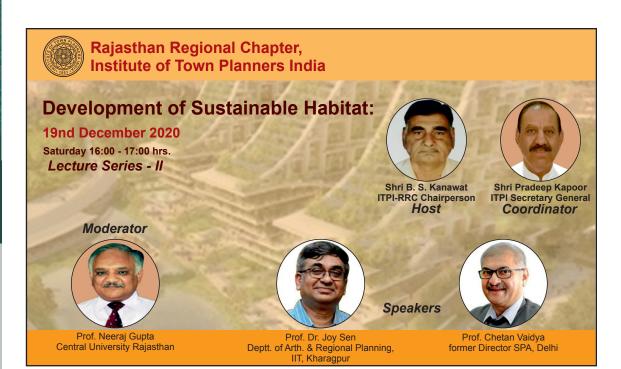
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COMMONWEALTH ASSOCIATION OF PLANNERS MEETING

Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, ITPI and Vice-President, CAP, under the agenda 'Members Report' presented ITPI, report on 23rd November, 2020, (on virtual mode) in the Commonwealth Association of Planners (CAP) meeting. Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Secretary General, ITPI was also present in the meeting.

In his presentation Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram mentioned that the Institute of Town Planners, India, established in 1951-52, functions through 24 Regional Chapters, located mostly in state capitals, and 5 Regional Centres, located in metro-centres. As a part of its mandate, ITPI has recognized 30 Schools of Planning imparting town and country planning education in India, which includes 3 Schools of Planning and Architecture and two Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs).

Point No. 1: Summary of impact of Covid-19 on your Association and planning in your country.

Even through there were lock downs and observance of physical / social distancing, Institute of Town Planners, India (ITPI) organized four Webinars inviting eminent planners and experts as key speakers, not only town and country planners but also economists, environmentalist, management / governance experts, besides educationists and researchers to speak on the theme 'Post Covid-19 Urban Planning' and also inspired Regional Chapters of ITPI to organize such Webinars. The details are given below:

ITPI Webinars

- ITPI Webinar I, Theme: 'Post Covid-19 Planning of Cities and Towns' held on 2nd May, 2020. The Key - Speakers include (i) Prof. Dr. Subrato Chattopadhyay, Professor, IIT, Kharagpur, (ii) Prof. Shivanand Swamy, CEPT, University, Ahmedabad, (iii) Prof. Dr. Ashok Kumar, Professor, SPA, Delhi, (iv) Prof. Dr. K. K. Pandey, IIPA, Delhi
- ITPI Webinar II, Theme: 'Post Covid 19 Urban Planning' held on 9th May, 2020. The Key - Speakers include (i) Ms. Leenu Sahgal, Commissioner (Planning), DDA, Delhi, (ii) Ms. N. Usha, Additional Secretary (Technical), and Member Chief Planner, CMDA, (iii) Ms. Uma Adusummilli, Chief Planning Division, MMRDA and (iv) Dr. Mansee Bal Bhargava, Vice President, WICCI.
- ITPI Webinar III, Theme: 'Post Covid-19 Urban Planning' held on 16th May, 2020. Ker-Speakers include (i) Shri Anoop Kumar Shrivastava, Chief Town Planner, Town and Country Planning Department, Government of Uttar Pradesh, (ii) Shri V. Ramudu, Director, Town and Country Planning, Government of Andhra Pradesh, (iii) Prof. Dr. Kiran Sandhu, Associate Professor, GNDU, Amritsar, and (iv) Prof. Dr. Meenakshi Dhote, Head, Department of Environmental Planning, SPA, Delhi.

12Planners News Letter • **ITPI Webinar - IV**, Theme: 'Revisiting Planning Practices and Education for New Normal' held on 23rd May, 2020. Ker - Speakers include (i) Prof. Dr. P. S. N. Rao, Director, SPA, Delhi, (ii) Prof. Dr. N. Sridharan, Director, SPA, Bhopal, (iii) Prof. Dr. Joy Sen, Head Architecture and Regional Planning, IIT, Kharagpur, an Prof, Dr, Minakshi Jain, Director, SPA, Vijayawada.

It is highlighted that seven out of 16 Key Speakers were women engaged in town planning education, research and professional practice. Proceedings and Recommendations of all the four webinar are upload on ITPI Website (www.itpi.org.in).

ITPI Regional Chapters Webinars

- Rajasthan Regional Chapter, Jaipur, theme: 'Planning for Pandemic Resilient Cities' held on 13th June, 2020.
- Andhra Pradesh Regional Chapter, Vijayawada, theme: 'Post Covid – 19 Spatial Planning Strategy for Andhra Pradesh', held on 14th June, 2020.
- Maharashtra Regional Chapter, Nagpur, theme: 'Imagining Cities and Villages: Amid and Post Covid-19' held on 20th June, 2020.
- Gujarat Regional Chapter, Ahmedabad, theme: 'Micro-Urban Planning: Town Planning Scheme and Local Area Plan', held on 26th June, 2020.
- Orissa Regional Chapter, Bhubaneswar, theme: 'Emerging Challenges for City Planners: Lessons form Covid-19', India' held on 27th June, 2020.

- Rajasthan Regional Chapter, Jaipur, theme: 'Reverse Migration: Is Rurba Mission a way forward and Issues of Industrial Housing for Industrial Workers'; held on 28th June, 2020.
- Delhi Regional Chapter, theme: 'Yamuna and the City of Delhi: A Planning Perspective' held on 4th July, 2020.
- Haryana Regional Chapter, Panchkula, theme: 'Artificial Intelligence in Urban Planning' held on 25th July, 2020.
- Maharashtra Regional Chapter, Mumbai, theme: 'Implications of EIA 2020 on Ecology and Economy' held on 15th August, 2020.
- Karnataka Regional Chapter, Bangalore, theme: 'Managing and Steering Indian Cities and Towns: Moving Beyond the Master Plan' held on 13th September, 2020.
- Haryana Regional Chapter, Panchkula, theme: 'Geospatial Technologies for Ensuring Better Habitats' held on 26th September, 2020.
- Rajasthan Regional Chapter, Jaipur, theme: 'Development of Sustainable Habitat: Gandhi's Idea of Sustainability' held on 2nd October, 2020.
- West Bengal Regional Chapter, Kolkatta, theme: 'Role of Physical Planning in achieving Sustainable Development Goals' held on 8th November, 2020.
- Maharashtra Regional Chapter, Mumbai, theme: 'Mitigating Unauthorized Development through Planning Intervention' at Pune held 8th November, 2020.



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Point No. 2: Summary of other Key Issues being faced by your Association and how they are being Addressed

The basic challenges of planning profession in India pertains to manning planning jobs by unqualified persons in some organizations, as the Recruitment Rules were framed long time back when number of the qualified town and country planners were not available in India. However, now that qualified town and country planners are available we are impressing upon the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India to issue the advisory to offer the jobs of planning to qualified planners only. It is encouraging to mention that we are getting the good response and support from the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, as the advisory has been issued to all the state governments.

Point No. 3: Summary of other Key planning issues in your country and how they are being addressed. (Include reference to how SDGs are being addressed)

The Sustainable Development Goals are constantly being monitored by the NITI Aayog, Government of India, a high power body of government (for details visit their website).

Point No. 4: Summary of CAP related activities undertaken in your country since the last CAP business meeting (October 2018)

In addition to the activities mentioned above, the 68th National Town and Country Planners' Conference was organized on 11 January, 2020 the theme 'National Missions: Spatial Planning and implementation Initiatives' with sub-themes on 'Urban and Regional Planning and Development Strategies'; Spatial Planning and Sustainable Development Goals'; 'Urban and Regional Governance' and 'Spatial Implications of Sea Ports, Airports and Transport Corridors in Metropolitan Region'. The proceeding and recommendations have been published in detail, in the ITPI Newsletter No. 17 X 1 and uploaded on the Website of ITPI (itpi. org.in).

The four Zonal Conferences were also organized as given below:

North Zone Conference

 North Zone Conference on the theme 'Local Area Plans and Brown Field Development' held on 10th August, 2019 at Lucknow.

East Zone Conference

• East Zone Conference on the theme 'Smart Cities Mission: Impact on Development of Cities' and 'Transit Oriented Development' and 'Future Sports City - Bhubaneswar' held on 19th October, 2019 at Bhubaneswar

West Zone Conference

• West Zone Conference on the theme 'Sustainable Development Strategies for Climate Change' held at Goa on 29th February 2020

South Zone Conference

 South Zone Conference on the theme 'Smart Cities Mission: Impact on Development of Cities' held on 16 – 17th November, 2019 at Puducherry.

Point No. 5: Proposals for future CAP activities in your country over the next 2 years

In line with the agenda of CAP for next two years, the follow up action will be taken, accordingly.

- It is proposed to organize International Webinar in the month of January-February, 2021 focusing on 'Post Covid – 19, Urban Planning' if situation becomes normal.
- The 69th National Town and Country Planners Conference will be organized on the theme "SDGs in the Context of Covid – 19"
- Zonal conferences will also be organized in the different parts in the country.

Point No. 6: Key issues you think CAP should focus on over the next 2-4 years

- The non-qualified persons managing the jobs of the planners needs to be checked. CAP needs to address such issues by taking up the matter with concern agencies, of member countries of CAP.
- To explore the possibility of having the duration of undergraduate and postgraduate level education to be of four years and 2 years, respectively in all the Common wealth Countries.
- The President, CAP may consider addressing a suitable letter to the concerned agencies of the member countries and to discuss challenges being faced by the town and country planning profession, in that Country.

Point No. 7: Suggestions for improving CAP

The representative of CAP should participate in the annual national events being conducted by member country like National Town and Country Planners Conference by ITPI, etc., and ask member countries to attend such events.



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He is known for his initiatives for road widening. He led the planning team and consultants in preparation of Regional Perspective Plan for Andhra Pradesh Capital Region; Detailed Master Plan for Amaravati; and Zoning Regulations. Shri Ramudu has shown his instinct by preparing Training Manuals for newly recruited Ward Planning and Regulation Secretaries (WWPRS) in Town Planning Department. He initiated preparation of Master Plans for all 125 urban local bodies in the state.

Shri Ramudu received the Best Employee Award 16 times for his continued performance in planning and development control activities. He was felicitated by Honourable Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh for his best performance in Town Planning Department in achieving the mandate of Ease of Doing Business (EODB). He has also received various appreciations for his meritorious services rendered in the field. Shri Ramudu has shown his leadership qualities by organising workshops and seminars related to urban planning and development. He was one of the key persons who made the construction of Andhra Pradesh Regional Chapter, ITPI, Hyderabad, a reality and was responsible for procuring land for ITPI in Visakhapatnam. He played a major role in the preparation of 13 Spatial Plans under Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission. Under his guidance, Andhra Pradesh was the first state to prepare the draft spatial plan for the Rurban Cluster Kambadur for which the State of Andhra Pradesh has received a national award. Shri Ramudu is not only a true motivator to his staff and colleagues but also a role model for town planning professionals of Andhra Pradesh.

Shri S. B. Khodankar, Secretary General ITPI

Shireesh Balwant Khodankar elected unanimously as Secretary General, ITPI for the year 2020-21, was a Council Member since 2013. He has done B. Arch. in the year 1977 from Visvesvaraya Regional College of Engineering, Nagpur (now Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology, Nagpur) and postgraduation in Town and Country Planning with specialization in (Housing and Community Planning) from School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi in the year 1979. He has 36 years of professional experience and 5 years of teaching experience as a visiting faculty in School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi.

Shri Khodankar started his career as an Associate Town Planner in Noida Authority during 1980-82 and dealt with detail designs for various residential, industrial and institutional sectors. Later in the year 1982 he joined Delhi Development Authority as Assistant Director (Planning) and, subsequently, elevated to the post of Deputy Director (Planning), Joint Director (Planning) and Director (Planning). During this period he dealt with preparation of layout plans, approval of building plans, etc. As Director Planning (Master Plan), he did pioneering work in the land pooling policy for the city of Delhi, which was so far having the land policy based on large scale acquisition. He got the new Land Pooling Policy duly vetted for its economic feasibility by National Council for Applied Economic Research (NCAER) and got it notified as Chapter 19 of Master Plan for Delhi 2021. This policy is a land mark achievement for DDA. He also made the planning policies which were important for the orderly development of Delhi, like Regularization of Non-Confirming Industrial Clusters; Policy for Redevelopment of Existing Industrial Areas; Regulations for Building Activities in Villages; Unauthorized Colonies and other Substandard Areas in Delhi, etc. He was also involved in modification of Delhi Master Plan as part of MPD - 2021 review. This was an extensive exercise involving wide public participation and consultations with stakeholders, organized at four different locations in Delhi, which was widely attended by the stakeholders and residents of Delhi. In fact such an exercise was never done before for the city of Delhi. It is important to note that this exercise was conducted under the Chairmanship of Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, who was President, ITPI, at that time.

Since, his superannuation from DDA in March, 2016; Shri Khodankar is actively involved in teaching as a visiting faculty in School of planning and Architecture, New Delhi, in the departments of Regional Planning and Environmental Planning and guided the studio program. Besides, he was also visiting faculty for M. Plan. first semester (integrated) and guided the students for Outline Development Plans of various towns / cities.

He is associated with ITPI since 1982 and worked on various ITPI Committees like HQBC, RCBC, Library Committee, Technical Committee, Committee for Professional Fees and Charges, Committee for Vision of ITPI and Professional Conduct, Committee for Recognition of Planning Schools / Institutions / Colleges for affiliation to ITPI, etc., besides being Jury member for Best Thesis Award of ITPI for postgraduate and undergraduate students.

Shri Khodankar has not only contributed to the planning profession but he continues to work in the field of planning education to share his practical experience with the students of SPA, Delhi and other institutions in Delhi.

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N. K. Patel President, ITPI



V. Ramudu Vice President, ITPI



S. B. Khodankar Secretary General, ITPI

ELECTED OFFICE BEARERS OF ITPI (2020 - 2021)

Shri N. K. Patel, President ITPI

Shri Narendra Kantilal Patel, from Gujarat Regional Chapter, has been elected as the President of ITPI for 2020-2021 after Late Shri H. K. Mewada, former President, ITPI (1972-73), who was responsible for planning the city of Gandhinagar. Shri Patel has been the council member of Institute of Town Planners, India since 2001, and represented the Gujarat Regional Chapter of ITPI in a council for the past 20 years, and taken keen interest in the field of urban housing, urban planning and urban governance with reference to in built environment.

Shri N. K. Patel is a gold medallist of CEPT in Urban Planning. He served in Town Planning Department of Gujarat Government, and also worked as a town Planner at the Ahmedabad Urban Development Authority (AUDA) for almost 17 years. He has been the part of Appeal Committee GDCR; Expert Member for the Parking Committee - GRUDA, AMC; and has continuously been involved with the government as an advisor for various projects related to urban planning over the years. He was also appointed by the Central Government as an advisor for the Pandit Deen Dayal National Urban Livelihood Mission.

Currently, Shri Patel is serving as chairman of the National Real Estate Development Council (NAREDCO), Gujarat Chapter. He is also a former president of the Gujarat Institute of Civil Engineers and Architects (GICEA) and two times Chairman of Gujarat Regional Chapter of ITPI. Shri Patel has also been actively associated with non-governmental organization, working for educational and social services. He is the Director and founder of Real Estate Study and Management Academy (RESMA), a non-profit venture for imparting technical education in the field of real estate.

Along with professional activities, he has taken keen interest towards education and research in urban planning and housing and has written a number of articles, on subjects of 'Urban Development and Housing'. He has also authored the book titled as 'Town Planning Scheme – A Tool for Making Planning Work for City Development', which was published in the year 2019.

He was responsible for energizing the urban planning and development activities beside education in the state of Gujarat. He was a Member, Board of Studies (Housing) at CEPT University, Ahmedabad, for the year 2009-10, and has acted as a catalyst in promoting planning education at undergraduate and postgraduate levels at prestigious institutes of Gujarat, including Nirma University, Ahmedabad; MSU, Vadodara; and Anant National University, Ahmedabad. Shri N. K. Patel has a multi-faceted personality and is well-known figure, in the real estate sector, as a proprietor of SUN Builder's Group.

Shri V. Ramudu, Vice-President ITPI

Veepanagandla Ramudu, the council Shri members of Institute of Town Planners. India got elected unanimously as Vice-President of ITPI for the year 2020-21. Born on 1st June 1962 in Kurnool, completed AMIE (Civil) and Associateship Examination of ITPI, New Delhi. Besides he has also done LLB, Post Graduate Diploma in Alternative Dispute Resolution Methods. Shri Ramudu started his career as Town Planning Assistant in RDDTP. Visakhapatnam in 1993, and became Assistant Director for Sri Satya Sai Urban Development Authority, Puttaparthy in 1995. He worked as an Assistant City Planner and Additional City Planner for Greater Visakhapatnam Municipal Corporation (GVMC) from 2004-2007, and also held the posts of Deputy Director, Joint Director and Additional Director during 2007-2014 in Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC), and was elevated as Director of Planning (Development Promotion) in APCRDA from 2015-2017. At present, Shri Ramudu is holding the post of Director of Town and Country Planning, Andhra Pradesh, since October 2017. During his tenure, he has undertaken various town planning reforms and streamlined the Department of Town Planning, Government of Andhra Pradesh.

Earlier, Shri Ramudu has played a prominent role in implementation of Auto DCR, an online approval system through which scrutiny is being done instantly without human intervention through online payment. He is also responsible for initiation of various online services in the State of Andhra Pradesh, like online application for identification and monitoring of unauthorized developments in the State. Besides he is also involved in simplification of Rules.

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