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ITPI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 2017

The Annual General Meeting of the ITPI was held on 30th September 2016 at ITPI, New Delhi, at 14.00 hrs. Welcoming the members to the Annual General Meeting in accordance with Article 11 to 13 of Memorandum of Articles of Association and Bye-Laws of ITPI, Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, ITPI requested Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Secretary General, to take up the Agenda Items as enumerated in Article 20, which was circulated to all members of ITPI on 28th August, 2017.

Item No. 1: To Receive, Consider, and Adopt the Audited Statements of Account together with Report of the Council and the Auditors for the year ended on March 31st 2017.

Balance Sheet, and Auditors Report

Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Secretary General, ITPI gave the highlights of the Audited Statement of the Accounts for the year 2016-2017. The members present

accepted the Audited Statement and Auditors Report unanimously for the year 2016-2017.

Proposed by: Shri B. Jeevan Babu

Seconded by: Shri Paresh Kumar Duria

Report of the Council, ITPI for the year 2016 - 2017.

Secretary General also read the Report of the Council for the year 2016-2017. The members present accepted unanimously the Report of ITPI Council for the year 2016-2017.

Proposed by: Shri Kshitij Mehra

Seconded by: Shri R. M. Lal

Item No. 2: To Present the Scrutinizers' Report on the Council Election for the year 2017 - 18.

The Scrutinizers' Report for the ITPI Council Elections for the year 2017-2018 was presented



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by Dr. Raj Kumar Udayan, Scrutinizer and declared following members as elected for the Council for the year 2017-2018.

General Constituency

Prof. A. N. Sachithanandan
Shri S. B. Khodankar
Prof. Najamuddin
Shri S. D. Saini
Shri Sitansu Mohan Patnaik
Shri Rajeshkumar J. Rawal
Shri B. Mahendra
Shri Milind B. Patil
Shri Goutam Banerjee
Shri S. K. Shrimali
Shri Kamlakar S. Akode
Shri Jagdish Singh
Shri Sujit Ashok Rodge

Special Constituency (Chairmen of Regional Chapters)

Shri S. Devendar Reddy

Shri V. Ramudu
Shri Gurpreet Singh
Shri M. S. Khan
Shri Morad Ahmad

Prof. D. S. Meshram, immediate Past President; Shri N. K. Patel, immediate Past Vice-President; and Shri Pradeep Kapoor, immediate Past Secretary General would be Ex-officio members as per Bye-Law No. 35 of Memorandum of Association and Bye Laws of ITPI.

Item No. 3: To Appoint Auditors and to Fix their Remuneration.

The members decided unanimously to continue M/s Sarkar and Associates as Auditors for the year 2017-2018 as well, at the same remuneration as it was revised in the year 2014 - 2015 for three years.

Proposed by: Shri S. C. Gupta

Seconded by: Shri B. C. Datta

Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

REPORT OF THE ITPI COUNCIL 2016 - 2017

Established in 1951, Institute of Town Planners, India (ITPI); is committed to promote planned, economic, scientific and artistic development of towns, cities and rural areas; besides advancing town and country planning education and research. Till date 4716 qualified planners from India and abroad are registered as Associate / Fellow members of the Institute. The professional activities of ITPI are being promoted through Professional Standing Committee (PSC); and for promoting planning education, the Institute constituted an Educational Standing Committee (ESC), while Town Planning Examination Board has been empowered to conduct the smooth and fair examinations. Institute extended its professional activities in various parts of the country through 23 Regional Chapters and 5 Centres.

ITPI Council 2016 - 2017

The present Council (2016 - 2017) took over the charge on 1st October, 2016. The composition of the Council is given below:

Prof. D. S. Meshram - President
N. K. Patel - Vice-President
Pradeep Kapoor - Secretary General

Prof. A. N. Sachithanandan - Member
K. S. Akode - Member
Prof. Najamuddin - Member
Ajay Mishra - Member
S. B. Khodankar - Member
K. Anand Babu - Member
B. Mahendra - Member
S. K. Shrimali - Member
V. Sathyanarayan - Member
Milind Patil - Member
S. D. Saini - Member
G. V. Raghu - Member
Gurpreet Singh - Member
Prof. Souvanic Roy - Member
Sitansu M. Patnaik - Member
Prof. Jagdish Singh - Member
Ranjan Chattopadhyay - Member
Sujit Rodge - Member

During the year 2016-2017, six meetings of the Council took place in different parts of the country for better interaction with various Regional Chapters and also to

share and appreciate urban planning and development paradigms of various regions of the country.

ITPI ACTIVITIES 2016 - 17, AS PER ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Article 3 of Memorandum of Articles of Association and Bylaws of Institute of Town Planners, India highlights the basic objectives of the ITPI. To achieve these objectives, major steps were taken during 2016 - 2017, are:

To Advance the Study of Town Planning and Civic Design and Kindred Subjects

In the Associateship Examination of the ITPI held during the period of report, the students appeared in various stages are: 43 in Semester - I, 45 in Semester - II, and 50 in Semester - III and 75 Semester - IV.

For "Prof. V. N. Prasad National Best Thesis Award - 2016 for Postgraduate students" for Urban and regional planning, comprising a certificate of merit and cash prize of Rs. 30,000/-, Rs. 20,000/- and Rs. 10,000/- for first, second and third best students respectively. 14 nominations from recognized Schools of Planning by ITPI in the country, were received and students were also invited to make the presentation before a Jury. On the recommendations of the Jury first prize was given to Shri Parth G. Sadaria from Maharaja Sayaji Rao University of Baroda, for his thesis on "Impact of Virtual Market on Land Use Planning", second to Ms. Diki Wangmu Bhutia, from SPA, New Delhi, for her thesis on "Development of Rural Cluster: Case Study of South District, Sikkim" and third prize was given to Shri Arka Kanungo, from SPA, New Delhi for his Thesis on "Modernization of Medium Capacity Rail Transit in Metropolitan City of Kolkata".

For "Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram; National Best Thesis Award - 2016 for B. Planning Students", nominations from registered School of Planning by ITPI in the country, were invited and students were also invited to make presentation before Jury. On the recommendations of the Jury the award was given to Shri Madhur Kukreja, from SPA, Bhopal for his thesis "Integrated Feeder System for Delhi MRTS - An Alternative Approach" inform of cash amounting Rs. 30,000/- and a certificate of merit.

Both the awards were distributed during the Valedictory Session of 65th NTCP Congress at Udaipur on 7th January, 2017.

To Promote General Interest of those Engaged in the Practice of Town and Country Planning

The Professional Standing Committee took up matters related to furthering the interest of the professional town planners working in public and semi-public departments, practicing planners, educationists and researcher besides the matter related to the appointment of qualified town planners in government and semi-government departments in various parts of the country with the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of India and Public Service Commissions of State Governments.

To hold Conferences or Meetings for Discussions, and Exchange of Views on matters Affecting or Relating to Town and Country Planning:

65th National Town and Country Planners Congress was held in Udaipur, Rajasthan during 6th - 8th January, 2017 on the theme "Integrated Implementation of Development Plans" with sub-themes on "Resource Mobilization"; "Spatial and Sectoral Integration"; and "Restructuring Master Plans (local subtheme). The Congress was sponsored by Urban Development and Housing Department, Government of Rajasthan, with number of co-sponsors.

Shri Rajpal Singh Sekhawat, Hon'ble Minister for Industries, NRI, Government Enterprises, DMIC, Rajasthan, while inaugurating the Congress, mentioned that planning of town and city in India started during Indus Valley Civilization with strong principles of planning. Jaipur is living example of planned city.

Chief Guest in the Valedictory Session was Smt. Kiran Maheshwari, Hon'ble Minister for Technical Education, Higher Education, Sanskrit Education, Science and Technology, Government of Rajasthan.

During the Congress V. N. Prasad National Best Thesis Award for Postgraduate students and Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram National Best Thesis Award for undergraduate students were given by Hon'ble Minister. More than 350 delegates, speakers, bureaucrats and academicians participated in 65th NTCP Congress.

To Purchase, Lease, Rent, Hold and Dispose of any Land to be used as a Place for Meeting for the Members of the Institute:

Building of Pune Centre of Maharashtra Regional Chapter (Mumbai) was completed and inaugurated on 26th November, 2017 by Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President, ITPI.



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To Compile, Collect, Print and Publish Statistics, Professional Record, Periodicals, etc; Relating to any of the Objectives of the Institute:

During the year 2016-17, four volumes of the ITPI, quarterly Journal (Refereed) and four issues

of quarterly Planners News Letter were also published.

During 65th National Town and Country Planners Congress held in Udaipur, CD of Technical Papers was released along with a colourful Souvenir.

WORLD TOWN PLANNING DAY



Celebrate World Town Planning Day

World Town Planning Day was initiated in 1949 by the late Professor Carlos Maria della Paolera of the University of Buenos Aires to advance public and professional interest in planning, both locally and abroad. The World Town Planning Day is celebrated in 30 countries, in four continents every year on 8th November. It is a special day to give special recognition to the ideals of community planning which bring professional planners and the general public together. World Town Planning Day presents an opportunity to look at planning

from a global perspective, an event which appeals to the conscience of citizens and public authorities in order to draw attention to the environmental impact resulting from the development of cities and territories.

The Institute of Town Planner, India is actively involved in celebrating the World Town Planning Day every year by inspiring all the Regional Chapters of ITPI to carry out various activities on this day by organizing events in residential areas, offices, universities, schools, collages, etc.

NORTH ZONE CONFERENCE OF ITPI, AT CHANDIGARH

Punjab Regional Chapter, ITPI organized a North Zone Conference on 28th October 2017, at PRC Auditorium on the theme "21st Century Smart Cities: Housing for All". Shri K. S. Akode, President of the ITPI was the Chief Guest. In his inaugural address, Shri Akode noted that a major challenge for affordable housing is affordable land, which is one of the basic ingredients for housing activities. But it is difficult to acquire land at affordable cost due to heavy compensation that is required to be paid to owners of land and workers. Therefore, affordable serviced land for affordable housing is also required to be discussed threadbare, in this conference.

In Maharashtra under Zonal Conversion Policy for conversion of land from agriculture to residential has to pay 0.5 percent of commercial value of land or Rs. 20,000 which ever is higher. Thus, the procedure has been made easy for conversion of

land, which will facilitate making of land available for housing purpose, also.

Prof. P. S. N. Rao, Professor of Housing in SPA, New Delhi and Chairman, Delhi Urban Arts Commission, in his Keynote address gave an overview of urban housing sector. He stated that there is a huge housing shortage of around 18 million dwelling units. Therefore, state governments are making every effort to bridge this housing gap in urban India, but rapid increase in population in the country is one of the biggest challenges, which need to be addressed. He also highlighted the fact that there is substantial vacant housing stock in the country to the tune of about 10 percent of housing shortage, particularly in large cities, and owners are reluctant to give houses on rent due to presumed fear of owners about not getting vacant possession of house, back at a later stage.



Inaugural Session of North Zone Conference of ITPI, at Chandigarh is in progress

The present government at national level has introduced the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) as a distinct departure from earlier approaches, which has four major components viz. in situ rehabilitation of slums; credit linked subsidy scheme; housing in partnership; and subsidy for housing along with beneficiary contribution. In fact to tackle the housing problem head on, Government of India has already given all necessary approvals and now it is for the respective state governments to implement the policy. However, the real challenge is lack of adequate resources to mobilize land, drinking water, etc; to implement this policy successfully. Accordingly, in order to hasten the speed of implementation, various new technologies are being propagated by Building Materials and Technology Promotion Council of the Government of India. While concluding his address Prof. Rao mentioned that with concerted efforts, the PMAY could go a long way in improving housing situation in the country.

Ms. Anumita Roy Chowdhury, Executive Director, Centre for Science and Environment, in her Keynote

address underlined that the challenge today is not how to provide affordable housing for the urban poor but build houses which are comfortable, resource efficient, sustainable and most importantly affordable. She added that there is a huge exclusion in financing housing at the same time housing schemes are plagued by poor design and ineffective implementation.

Quoting the example of Punjab she noted that Punjab is one of the fewer states where urban poverty is greater than the rural poverty. While catering to the urban poor, the share of informal economy and poor settlements are steadily rising hence this aspect needs to be addressed in detail. She also flagged the issue of dire need of incorporating requirements of the impoverished population in formal housing schemes by taking into consideration the fact that 99 percent of housing shortage in the country is that of lower income sector. She also underlined that there is a demand to increase carpet area in affordable housing from 30 sq m to 60 sq m and



Directory of PRC Members is being released by Prof. D. S. Meshram, President Emeritus, ITPI



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also to increase further to 90 sq m for EWS, which ultimately becomes studio apartment for rich people. In fact the gated communities are pushing the EWS category people towards outskirts of cities and towns which increases their travel costs and consumes lot of time which cannot be afforded by EWS. She argued that informal self-constructed and owned housing should be given priority besides rental housing and also dormitories. She propagated about reinventing dome architecture to make housing cheaper for EWS category.

Technical Session was chaired by Prof. Dr. D. S. Meshram, President Emeritus, ITPI and presentations were made by Shri Pradeep Kapoor, Registrar RERA, Rajasthan; Shri Deependra Prasad, Architect New Delhi; Shri Ashutosh Gupta, Senior Project Manager, Environmental Design; Shri Sandeep Sharma, Chief Town Planner, Himachal Pradesh; Shri Jeet Kumar Gupta, Former Adviser, PUDA; Shri Jagjit Singh, President, CREDAI, New Chandigarh and also by Umara Group, Ludhiana.

On this occasion Shri S. D. Saini, Vice President, ITPI; Prof. Dr. Najamuddin, Secretary General, ITPI also addressed delegates.

The welcome address was delivered by Shri Gurpreet Singh, CTP, Punjab, and a vote of thanks was extended by Shri Prabhjit Singh Dhillon, Secretary, PRC-ITPI.

Prof. Meshram in his concluding address mentioned that "Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana" Housing of All (Urban) 2015 guidelines has four verticals namely: (i) In situ Slum Redevelopment which includes land as resource, private participation and extra TDR / FAR / FSI; (ii) Affordable Housing through link subsidy which includes: interest subvention subsidy for EWS and LIG for new houses for which EWS annual household income should be up to Rs. 300,000 and house size should be up to 30 sq m and LIG annual household income should be between Rs. 300,000 to Rs. 600,000 and house size up to 60 sq m; (iii) Affordable housing in partnership with private

sector or public sector, central assistance per EWS houses in project where 35 percent of constructed houses are for EWS category; and (iv) subsidy for beneficiary-led individual house construction.

Under 'In situ Slum Redevelopment', location is to be decided by state governments, thus, in this scheme of development there will always be the scope of subjectivity and slums which need immediate attention may get neglected. Beside there is free sale component, which will be available to developer for selling in the market. Developers may provide one room with toilet and kitchen in MIG and HIG flats of schemes for EWS, which can be brought under 35 percent of mandatory provision of EWS; which later on may be included in the area of owner of flats as regular part of apartment to be used by the owner. Therefore, such rooms in free sell component should not be allowed to be considered in 35 percent requirement of EWS category.

EWS category having annual income of Rs. 300,000 with 300 sq ft carpet area, which in fact amounts to 400 sq ft floor area. And for LIG category having annual income between Rs. 300,000 to Rs. 600,000 per annum with 60 sq m carpet area i.e. 600 sq ft carpet area which amounts to 800 sq ft floor area. Further there is demand to increase this 60 sq m carpet area to 90 sq m i.e. 900 sq ft carpet area which amounts to 1,200 sq ft floor area which can later be converted or purchased by higher income group people for sale at premium, which in fact deprives the targeted group.

On this occasion the PRC Members Directory prepared by Shri Harinder Singh Bajwa, Senior Town Planner, Punjab was also released by Prof. D. S. Meshram, President Emeritus, ITPI.

Shri Gurpreet Singh, Chairman, PRC gave the welcome address and a vote of thanks was extended by Shri Prabhjit Singh Dhillon, Secretary, PRC-ITPI in the inaugural session, and in the Valedictory Address, a vote of thanks was extended by Prof. G. K. Johari, from G. N. D. U. Amritsar.

The 66th National Town and Country Planner's Congress - 2018

The 66th National Town and Country Planner's Congress - 2018 is scheduled to be held from 2nd to 4th February 2018 at Hyderabad, Telangana; on the theme: "Urban Environmental Planning: Consequences and Challenges" with sub-themes on "Environmental Challenges of Urbanization"; and "Environment and Development Plans", and a local sub-theme on "Urban Flooding".

Members are requested to send the paper on the theme and sub-themes not exceeding 3,000 words along with hard and soft copy in MS Word to reach the Secretary General, ITPI, New Delhi before 1st January 2018.

LAND ACQUISITION FOR URBANIZATION - STRATEGY AND ALTERNATIVES (PARTNERSHIP MODEL FOR HARYANA)

Haryana Regional Chapter, Panchkula of the Institute of Town Planners, India organized a seminar on 7th October, 2017 on the theme “Land Acquisition for Urbanization - Strategy and Alternatives (Partnership Model for Haryana)”. The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. D. S. Meshram, President Emeritus, ITPI, New Delhi, who in his address, mentioned that urbanization in India is taking place at a faster rate which is quite evident from the fact that according to 1901 Census it was 11.4 percent which increased 28.53 percent in 2001 and to 31.16 percent in 2011. According to a survey by U. N. State of World population, by 2030 it is expected to rise to 40.76 percent. However, the matter of concern is the growth rate which was 2.76 percent per annum which was expected to slow down but the same is increased to 3.3 percent. Thus, magnitude of urban population requires huge land mass to settle them. In the absence of serviced land, a majority of migrants from rural areas besides small and medium towns settle in peri-urban areas or low lying areas near their employment place to save cost on commuting daily for employment which ultimately results in unplanned, unauthorized and haphazard development, with inadequate infrastructure like water supply, electricity, roads and social infrastructure. Even state governments and local bodies find it difficult to acquire land for their settlements because of high market price is to be paid for acquisition of land for housing and provision of infrastructure.

As per Land Acquisition Act of 1894, state governments and local bodies were/are empowered to acquire land for public purposes and companies and to determine the amount of compensation to be made on account of such acquisition to land owners. However, owners of the land were not coming forward to surrender their land due to less compensation than market rate, and preferred to enter in litigation which consumes lot of time, and cause cost over runs, to the projects and schemes. It is interesting to note that the revised Act titled ‘The Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act - 2013’ in the preamble states “---- a humane, participative, informed and transparent process for land acquisition for industrialization, development of essential infrastructural facilities, and urbanization with the least disturbance to owners of land and

other affected families and to provide just and fair compensation of the affected families whose land has been acquired and make adequate provisions for such affected persons for their rehabilitation and resettlement and ensure that such affected persons become partner in development ----”. Thus, the Land Acquisition Act 1894, which emphasized on public purpose and companies, has been replaced by industrialization, urbanization and essential infrastructural facilities. It can be construed that the principle of ‘eminent domain’ has been diluted.

Compensation for land owners (First Schedule) has been given in the Act, in detail which includes: market value of land (prescribes factor by which market value is to be multiplied in urban and rural areas) besides, value of assets attached to the land or building, in addition to solatium, etc. The Second Schedule to the Act includes: provision of housing units in case of displacement; land for land; offer for developed land, choice of annuity or employment; subsistence grant for displaced families for a period of one year; transportation cost for displaced families. And also one time grant to artisan, small traders and certain others; beside one time resettlement allowance, etc. Thus, it would be interesting to find out how much land has been acquired after the enforcement of Land Acquisition Act of 2013.

During the Inaugural Session research team of ITPI-HRC headed by Shri Raj Vir Singh (Ex - CTP, Haryana), presented the research study on “Land Acquisition for Urbanization - Strategy and Alternatives (Partnership Model for Haryana)”, which emphasized land acquisition alternatives for public purpose in order to suggest a balanced framework for Haryana which caters to the concerns of both demand side players (mainly public agencies) as well as supply side (mainly farmers).

Technical Session was chaired by Shri Jaswant Singh, CTP, Haryana (Retired) in which presentations were made by Shri Rama Krishan Rao, Director Planning, Andhra Pradesh, CRDA; Rajesh Kumar Rawal, Town Planner, Town Planning and Valuation Department, Government of Gujarat; Shri Vinod Sakle, Additional Commissioner Planning (Retired), DDA; Shri R. Srinivas, Town and Country Planner and Head, Metropolitan and Union Territories Division, TCPO, New Delhi; and Shri Harpal Dave,



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Land Acquisition for Urbanization - Strategy



Inaugural Session of the Seminar is in progress

ATP, TCPO, New Delhi. After detailed deliberations following recommendations emerged:

- A separate Authority or Department should be created for all land acquisition in Haryana as the present administrative set up is not specialized enough to meet the requirements of LARR Act, 2013.
- All land available with the State Government of Haryana should be re-examined for its optimum and fair utilization. If there is any surplus land available, it should be utilized by the intending department who needs the land or it should be utilized for suitable purposes depending upon its utilization for urbanization.
- All the land under encroachments should either be evacuated or utilized and if it is not possible to do so then the land should be disposed of as per the policy to be framed by the State Government.
- Only essential and minimal land required should be considered for acquisition, unless there is no alternative and the public interest so demands, thickly built up areas and fertile agricultural land should not be acquired.
- All stray structures falling within the area of preliminary notification for acquisition should be released from acquisition, if they are not unauthorized and in use on the payment of development or betterment charge to concerned department.
- Any land purchased before 18 months for setting up of colony, before the date of preliminary notification for acquisition should be released from acquisition provided it has obtained the necessary approvals of a competent authority.
- In residential, commercial and industrial projects, land owners should be encouraged to enter into partnership by taking developed land in lieu of monetary compensation. In partnership, 25 percent of land (subject to minimum of 50 square yards) should be returned on or near the site of original ownership. The owner of land has the option to refuse offered land wholly or partly and receive compensation which shall be selling price of the land fixed by a competent authority. The owner also has the option to offer part of his land for partnership and avail the compensation of the remaining land as per LARR Act 2013.
- The compensation of the building structures on land in partnership should be assessed by a competent authority preferably in consultation with land owners and compensation (as per LARR Act 2013) paid on vacation of land and structures. This land should be excluded from total ownership for calculating land to be returned to land owners.
- No person should be allowed to challenge acquisition or compensation in any court once he has entered into partnership to avail above benefits.
- Any person not opting for partnership shall not be entitled to any benefit apart from compensation and other benefits as per LARR Act 2013.
- All project affected persons other than owners of land in partnership shall be compensated as per LARR Act 2013.

Earlier, welcome address was delivered by Shri Nadim Akhtar, Chairman of HRC-ITPI and a vote of thanks were extended by Shri Vikram Kumar, Secretary, HRC-ITPI.

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by Government of Haryana. Shri Sham Dass Saini was promoted to the position of Chief Town Planner, Government of Haryana, in 2006, and was appointed in Faridabad Municipal Corporation, and was made responsible for developing Norms for Self-Financing Redevelopment of New Industrial Township (NIT) besides a Self-Financing Redevelopment Policy for allowing higher FAR up to 3 percent in residential neighbourhoods of NIT Faridabad.

As Chief Coordinator Planner (NCR), Haryana; he prepared and published Development Plans for 42 towns of Haryana State. Beside he coordinated and supervised the preparation of Development Plans for Kundli - Manesar - Palwal (Western Periphery Road of NCR) Global Corridor envisaging sustainable - development. He also took steps to earmark potential sites for specialised cities at Sonipat - Kundli on the junction of NH-1 and Eastern Periphery Road and Western Periphery Road of NCR, Modal Industrial Township at Kahrkauda, Integrated New Township Sampla comprising of Medi City, Cyber City and Bio-Science City at the junction of NH-10 and Western Periphery Road; New Township of Jahangirpuri - Badli in Jhajjar district; World Trade City; Fashion City, Entertainment City in Gurgaon District, Leather City in Mewat District and Dry Port or Freight City in Faridabad district on NH-2, besides Conservation Zone, Water Recharge Zone and Agriculture Zone. He was also responsible for coordination and supervision of Physical Feasibility Report and Master Plan of Rajiv Gandhi Education City being set up over an area of about 2000 acres in the first phase and eventually over an area of 5,000 acres at Sonipat - Kundli.

Shri Saini was also deputed by Government of Haryana in September, 2003 to study the Solid Waste Management System of Holland. He was deputed by National Capital Region Planning Board to study Transport Systems in New York, New Jersey, USA, London (UK), Paris (France) and Frankfurt (Germany) in February 2008.

Shri Saini, is elected as Vice - President, Institute of Town Planners, India, for the year 2017 - 2018.

Secretary General: Prof. Najamuddin, Ph.D.

Prof. Najamuddin completed his graduation in architecture from I.I.T. Roorkee in 1964. Subsequently he completed his postgraduate degree in Urban and Rural Planning from the same institute. Later, he did his Postgraduate Diploma in Housing from Holland in 1974 and Ph.D. from USA in the year 1989. Prof. Najamuddin was involved in the preparation of Master Plan with South Yemen Government and was also associated with various town planning projects in Nigeria. Further, he worked as a faculty in Aden University for three years and the University of Jos, Nigeria for two years. He has been working as a consultant to Florida Group of Architects, USA. He worked as a Professor in the Department of Architecture and Planning, I.I.T. Roorkee, where he looked after the responsibility of Head of the Department for a long period. During his tenure at I.I.T. Roorkee, he guided more than 20 Ph.D. students, more than 50 postgraduate students and 150 Bachelor of Architecture students. He has authored more than 100 research papers in the field of architecture and town planning, published in various journals and conference proceedings. During his tenure as Head of the Department, he evolved a Vision Plan for I.I.T. Roorkee for the year 2010. He bagged numerous research awards in India and from across the globe, which include the prestigious National Design Award in Architectural Engineering, 2002, which was instituted by the Institution of Engineers, India; and National Award of Indian Institute of Architects in the year 2015.

At present Prof. Najamuddin is working as a Visiting Professor in I.I.T. Roorkee and Director MET Group of Institutions, Moradabad, U.P. He is a member, Board of Governors, School of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal; and President, Architects Association, U.P. and Uttarakhand states.

Prof. Najamuddin was elected as Secretary General, ITPI earlier for the year 2010 - 2011, 2013 - 2014; 2014 - 2015 and again for the year 2017 - 2018.



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ELECTED OFFICE BEARERS OF ITPI (2017 - 2018)

President: Kamalakar Sakharam Akode

Shri Kamalakar Sakharam Akode, elected as President of the ITPI, for the year 2017 - 2018, graduated in Civil Engineering from Nagpur University and completed his postgraduate degree in Town and Country Planning from the University of Pune in 1996.

He started his career in Government of Maharashtra in 1983 as Planning Assistant and was elevated to Assistant Town Planner in 1986, followed by a further promotion to the position of Town Planner. In 1991 he became Assistant Director in Town Planning and Valuation Department of Maharashtra in 1992. He was promoted as Deputy Director in the same department in 2003, and as Joint Director in 2004. He also served as Under Secretary in Revenue and Forest Department, Government of Maharashtra during 2000 - 2003. He also got the opportunity to work as Chief Planner, Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation, Mumbai during 2009 - 2012, where he dealt with a number of important projects.

He was also Director, Town Planning, Government of Maharashtra during 2012 - 2015, and was responsible for advising Government of Maharashtra in matters of urban planning, guiding preparation of Development Plans of various towns and cities in the state, guiding preparation of Regional Plans for various districts in the state, area planning schemes, valuation of immovable properties, monitoring of emerging special townships, etc.

Government of India nominated Shri Akode as a member of Indian delegation who visited Brazil in October 2012, for sharing experiences of urban planning and development of Brazil.

Shri K. S. Akode was elected Vice - President of the ITPI in the year 2013 - 2014 and again in the year 2014 - 2015. Shri Akode organized the 62nd National Town and Country Planners Congress on the theme 'Urban Renewal, Redevelopment and Regeneration:

Challenges and Options'; with Sub-themes - 'Consequences and Implications'; 'Regulatory and Institutional Mechanism'; and 'Special Township Policies - Experiences' at Pune, which was a grand success with maximum participation from all most all the states.

After completion of his tenure as Director, Town Planning and Valuation Department, Government of Maharashtra again entrusted him the important work of Chief Town Planner of Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation.

Vice - President: Sham Dass Saini

Shri Sham Dass Saini, Former Chief Town Planner of Government of Haryana completed B. A. and M. Sc. (Geography) from Kurukshetra University in 1967, and Master Degree in City and Regional Planning (MCRP) from Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar in 1974. Shri Saini started his carrier as an Assistant Town Planner in Town and Country Planning Department, Government of Punjab in 1975. Later on he joined Town and Country Planning Department, Government of Haryana as an Assistant Town Planner and was posted at Gurgaon and Faridabad. On promotion as District Town Planner he worked at Rewari, Gurgaon, Faridabad, and Chandigarh. He also worked for the Department of Urban Local Bodies during which he drafted Simplification of Implementation Policies of Development Plans through Public - Private Participation.

As a Senior Town Planner in Urban Local Bodies, Government of Haryana, he was responsible for modification of the Procedures for Preparation and Implementation of Town Planning Schemes in municipal towns to ensure involvement of the land owners in urban development process.

A Liberal Licensing Policy for permitting development of colonies by private developers in municipal areas was also drafted by him, which was later accepted

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