

248th GC Meeting at Imphal



The 248th meeting of the Governing Council of All India Federation of Master Printers was held on 4th & 5th March 2020 at Hotel Classic Grande, Imphal under the Chairmanship of Mr Dibyajyoti Kalita, President. The meeting was hosted by All Manipur Press Association (AMPA).

Mr K Rajendran, HGS wished good afternoon to everybody present at the meeting and said that he was glad to see large number of GC members attending the meeting at Imphal, the beautiful capital city of Manipur and remotely situated from the main parts of the Country. He thanked Mr S. Surjit Singh, President-AMPA and his team members being a newly admitted affiliate member for making nice and excellent arrangements for conducting GC meeting and making comfortable stay of GC members. HGS requested the members present at the meeting to give a round of applause to AMPA and its team in appreciation of their making excellent and wonderful arrangements for holding GC meeting.

Mr S Surjit Singh, President-AMPA welcomed every member present at the meeting at Imphal, a beautiful city and capital of the state of Manipur. He further said AMPA was established in the year 1971 and they are celebrating Golden Jubilee function in the month of November 2020, however their association was affiliated with AIFMP at 246th GC meeting held on 20-21 September 2019 at Pune. He thanked the Federation for giving an opportunity to AMPA to host 248th GC meeting at Imphal. He added that AMPA being a new affiliate there may some short comings in organizing the GC meeting and requested the GC members to kindly bear with them and enjoy the meeting and their stay at Imphal. He further said a dedicated team of AMPA at the help desk at reception of the hotel will guide the members in making arrangements for their sightseeing tour of Imphal. He further appealed to the members to take this opportunity to explore civic beauty of Manipur with this he concluded his welcome address.

HGS read out the names of members who had sought leave of absence from attending 248th GC meeting. HGS requested the new GC members who were attending the Governing Council meeting for the first time to introduce

themselves to the GC. Accordingly the members introduced themselves to the Governing Council.

Mr Dibyajyoti Kalita, President AIFMP in his inaugural speech welcomed all Past Presidents, every GC and GB members and colleagues who were present at the meeting to the beautiful city of Imphal. He thanked Mr Surjit Singh, President, Mrs Sapam Deeparani wife of Mr Surjit Singh and the entire team members of AMPA for successfully hosting the 248th GC meeting and making wonderful arrangements for holding the GC meeting and for the comfortable stay of members at this beautiful city of Imphal, Manipur.

President recalled that the PAMEX 2020 was successfully held from 6th January to 9th January 2020 at Goregaon, Mumbai alongwith WPCF International Conference and Board Meeting, 14th NAEP Award function and first VCPLA Award on 8th and 9th January 2020, respectively. He paid rich compliments to Prof. Kamal Chopra, Chairman PAMEX for successful holding of PAMEX 2020.

President also complimented Mr Raveendra Joshi, IPP for successful hosting of 14th NAEP Award function, WPCF Conference and first VCPLA Award function. He said the successful holding of all these events reflects sincere efforts of AIFMP and which motivates other members to work hard for the betterment of Indian printing industry.

President further said, he alongwith Mr C Ravinder Reddy VP(S) had attended the inaugural function of Golden Jubilee celebration organised by Kerala Master Printers Association (KMPA) on 4th January 2020 at Cochin.

President said, the first edition of Romancing Print 2020 (South), the flagship event of AIFMP which was organised by Kerala Printers Association (KPA) at Kottayam, Kerala was very inspiring and successful as more than 220 registered printers had graced the occasion with their presence and active participation. President also said, that the 2nd edition of Romancing Print 2020 (South), was organised by Andhra Pradesh Rastra Offset Printers Association at Guntur which was also attended by him. He praised APROPA for successfully organising the event where record breaking participants numbering more than 450 printers had participated and made the event very memorable. He

praised Mr Ravinder Reddy VP(S) to be a real gem of AIFMP for organising a such a wonderful event at Guntur.

The minutes of 247th GC meeting held on December 7-8, 2019 at Hotel Marriott, Bhopal, were confirmed after brief discussion.

Mr K. Rajendran, Hon. General Secretary presented his periodic report to the August House. The activities and visits undertaken by the OBs were briefed in HGS report.

Mr Ashwani Gupta, Hon. Treasurer presented the Periodic Accounts of the Federation for the period from 1st December 2019 to 29th February 2020 before the august house which were passed.

Mr K Rajendran, HGS congratulated Mr Raveendra Joshi, IPP & Chairman, 14th NAEP and his team members from PPOA for successfully organising 14th NAEP Award function on 8th January 2020 at Hotel Westin, Goregaon, Mumbai. He said that 1515 entries in 53 categories from 155 printers were received from PAN India, large to small cities and from small to very large printers who each competed in respective categories. He further said the judging of entries were done by a team comprising of 7 distinguished personalities in the field of printing. He also appraised the Governing Council that for the first time in the history of NAEP, the award was presented zone wise and in the presence of respective zonal Vice President and appreciated Mr Raveendra Joshi, Chairman 14th NAEP for the same. Prof. Kamal Chopra, PP requested Mr Raveendra Joshi to apprise the Governing Council regarding the difficulties/problems faced by his team in hosting the 14th NAEP award function. Mr Raveendra Joshi replied that there was less response and only 150 printers had participated. He further Invited suggestions from GC members to make NAEP award more attractive and catchy even for the smallest printers of the country and many more printing entities to submit their entries for award.

Mr Raveendra Joshi further requested the President of each affiliate associations to generate interest among their local printers and encourage them to participate in the future NAEP award function in very large numbers and to make it more popular and large number of printing entities should submit more entries and make NAEP award function successful.

Mr Nitin Shah, GC member BMPA suggested that by making use of social media, like twitter, face book, LinkedIn etc. the NAEP award function may be popularised among



printer brothers across the county and the dates of award function must be announced much earlier so as to give more time to printers for sending their entries.

Mr Satish Malhotra, Chairman-Government Relations briefed the Governing Council regarding the matter pending before Competition Commission of India and also the Anti-Dumping Duty matter.

Prof. Kamal Chopra, Chairman PAMEX made power point presentation of the flagship event PAMEX 2020 which was successfully held from 6th to 9th January 2020 at Bombay Exhibition Centre, Goregaon, Mumbai.

Prof. Kamal Chopra expressed his deep gratitude to Mr Raveendra Joshi, IPP for giving him an opportunity to visit many printers across the length and breadth of the county for propagating the PAMEX 2020. He thanked Mr Joshi for bestowing with Chairmanship of PAMEX 2020. He further expressed his thanks to President and OBs for reposing confidence in him. Prof. Kamal Chopra further said PAMEX 2020 had created history with more than 32,000 quality visitors, 375 plus exhibitors who presented latest technics, innovation and developments in the print and allied machinery industry, with 100 plus products launches, 250 plus demonstrations of live /running machines and several other attractions. Prof. Kamal Chopra expressed his thanks to every printer who made PAMEX 2020 a grand success. He further said the forthcoming PAMEX 2022 is already 25% booked and it is proposed to be held at 3 halls of Bombay Exhibition Centre. He also said very soon PAMEX will become an international / global brand. Mr Vijay Mohan, GC member, DPA requested the Governing Council memebrrs to give compliments to Prof. Kamal Chopra by clapping their hands in standing ovation for successful holding of PAMEX 2020.

On the request of President, Mr Vijay Mohan, DPA proposed vote of thanks. He paid rich compliments to AMPA and Mr Surjit Singh, President and their entire team of office bearers for the wonderful hospitality extended by them to all the members and making excellent arrangements for holding GC meeting and also for providing fine facilities for the comfortable stay of all the members. He also appreciated the President & HGS AIFMP for managing the Governing Council meeting efficiently. He also praised the zonal Vice-Presidents and Chairmen of Standing Committees for excellent work done by them.

