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Message from the Chairman

Dear IEEE Members,

I am indeed happy that the second issue of the IEEE India Council Newsletter is being published on time. It shows that IEEE IC team is going ahead with purpose very strongly. For this reason my appreciation to all who contribute to make this happen.

Google offers an Applied CS with Android an educational program designed to give college juniors and seniors an opportunity to enhance their knowledge of data structures and algorithms in a hands-on way. Google conducted a weeklong pilot program at G H Raisoni College of

Engineering as requested by IEEE IC. Now the program has been named as 'Google IEEE India Council Applied CS program'. This program is open to any IEEE student/YP/WIE/GSM, who has attended one course in Java and advances in algorithms. The program will be launched nationwide in July/August 2017 at 100 branches in India. I appeal to all section Chairs to make this program a grand success. For any clarification, please write to IEEE IC Secretary.

IEEE IC will give the following awards in 2017 for which VC, Awards, has made necessary arrangements: a) IEEE India Council Outstanding Student Branch Award and b) IEEE India Council Outstanding Volunteer Award. At the IEEE IC, discussions are at advanced level to institute sponsored IC Awards under IC-WIE AG. IC has principally approved instituting the awards. These IC awards will be in line with IEEE awards and will follow IEEE awards guidelines.

VC, Industry Relations, has a busy schedule to engage Industry Partners with sections/institutions/ organizations for five programs, which will be made known in due course of time.

IEEE IC SAC is working very hard on the structure and activities, which were about organization of two conference calls with 30 students volunteers of all sections. The students are working in teams for graphic design, industrial relation, newsletter editorial, social media, webinar, SB networking etc. This is very good and timely effort, which will bring value to IEEE IC SAC activities.

IEEE IC along with IEEE India Office is taking up the issues of renewal of IETE, IEI and other MoUs. We are also on the job to update the IC Execom members about all MOUs with industries, so that events can be organized at Section level in association with these industries.

I should mention about the report on INDICON, which was prepared and shared by Prof. Anil Roy, indicating popularity of the INDICON and high number of downloads of recent INDICON papers. We are all very happy and feel proud of such notable achievement. I am also happy to inform you that IEEE India ADHOC-2017 has been formed by IEEE HQ. IEEE IC is playing active role in the activities of this ADHOC committee, which will play a leading role in formulating long term strategies for IEEE in relation to India. I will be failing in my duties, if I do not mention that we are having overwhelming participation in all the IC Face-to-Face as well as WebEx/ConCall meetings. IEEE IC Execom has also taken a very positive decision to include the IC Chapter Chairs in the Execom meetings. I express my gratitude to all who are taking such active interest in IEEE IC activities/initiatives. I am looking forward to meet you all again in person in Cochin during the IC F2F meeting to be held in tandem with TenSymp 2017.

With sincere fraternal greetings

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