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Message from the Chairman



Dear IEEE Members,

I am very happy to write to you once again on the occasion of bringing out one more issue of IEEE India Council Newsletter (IEEE ICNL). In the first quarter of 2018, IEEE IC continued its works with great vigour. We had a wonderful face-to-face executive committee meeting at Rajkot on 17th February 2018 hosted by IEEE Gujarat Section. I will fail in my duties if I do not acknowledge with appreciation the amazing hospitality of Gujarat Section and the comforting care of all the IC execom members taken by the untiring volunteers of Gujarat Section.

IEEE Gujarat Section has also come forward to shoulder one more major responsibility by agreeing to organize IEEE INDICON 2019. Let us all extend our cooperative hands to Gujarat Section in their enterprising endeavour.

IEEE R10 Meeting was held in Langkawi, Malaysia, on 3-4 March 2018, where the section leaders from India were present along with couple of IC execom members. IC had another enjoyable face-to-face execom meeting on 3rd March 2018 on the sidelines of R10 meeting. During this R10 meeting, the R10 nomination committee announced the name of the candidates for R10 Director-Elect. IEEE IC is happy to note that Sri Deepak Mathur, immediate past IC Chair, has been nominated as one of the three candidates. Sri Mathur is the only nominated candidate from India this time for this prestigious IEEE position.

It has been unanimously decided by IEEE IC that MV Chouhan Student Paper Contest (MVCSPC) shall be organized by INDICON Organizing Committee, i.e. by Madras Section in 2018 and by Gujarat Section in 2019. In another major development, Bangalore Section has volunteered to organize AISYWC in 2018 and Hyderabad Section in 2019. We all express our sincere thanks to these two sections for volunteering to take up this major event in the coming two years.

I am also happy to state here that MiniPOCO 2018 will be held on 20th May 2018 at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. The theme this time is “Conferences in the Changing World”. Please visit the conference website (<https://e36.hubilo.com/>) regularly for the updates.

“Late Shri Pralhad P Chhabria Award” instituted by Hope Foundation and Research Centre in association with IEEE India Council and Women in Engineering Affinity Group, IEEE Pune Section, was announced on 12th March 2018. On this day, winners of two awards were announced, viz. i) Best Outgoing Female Student (from faculty of Science / Engineering / Technology) - Ms. Jayati Vijaywargiya, a student of Mody University of Science and Technology, and ii) Best Women Engineer / Scientist / Technocrat (working Professional-Early Career Stage) – Ms. Soma Biswas, a faculty of IISc Bangalore. On behalf of IEEE IC, I extend hearty congratulations to both the award winners.

IEEE IC is striving hard to raise the bar of the standard of its activities. In this pursuit of higher standard, we want everybody at our sides. With the help and support from all of you, we are confident of achieving our goals.

With warm fraternal greetings,

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