

**Oct 2017 Vol 5*****R&D Meet on Power Sector***

A meeting was called by National Power Training Institute (NPTI), Faridabad on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017 to discuss issues regarding R&D initiatives/interventions required in the Power Sector. Ministry of Power has identified certain thrust areas for research in the next 3 to 5 years which will be useful in collaborative research in industrial growth and effective utility operations, for shaping up the future of Indian Power Sector. In this context, this meeting of electrical manufacturers, utilities and R&D professionals was organized in NPTI, Faridabad. Mr. Sunil Misra, Director General and Mr. Vivek Arora, Executive Officer represented IEEMA in the meeting.

***Meeting of Economic and Taxation Committee***

A meeting of IEEMA Economic and Taxation Committee was held on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Adarsh Jain. The Committee deliberated on the Pre-Budget issues and suggestions received from members and finalised the draft IEEMA Pre-Budget Memorandum for the year 2018-19. IEEMA would submit the memorandum to the Government of India by early November 2017.

***2<sup>nd</sup> Eastern Region Committee (ERC) Meeting***

The second ERC meeting of 2017 – 18 took place on 27<sup>th</sup> Oct'17 at Lalit Great Eastern, Kolkata. The meeting started off with the customary round of introduction, welcoming the newly admitted members of IEEMA from eastern region. ERC has been able to reach out to districts of West Bengal to make new members for IEEMA, which is indeed a great achievement for IEEMA ERC leadership.

Mr. R K Shah formally completed his tenure as Chairman, ERC and handed over the baton of chairmanship to Mr. Nirmal Saraf, MD, Nirmal Wires Ltd. The members duly accepted the proposal and congratulated the new chairman, while giving a heartwarming farewell to Mr. R K Shah. The meeting, which was attended by more than 30 members, ended over an informal networking and cocktail dinner.

***Meeting of LV Switchgear Division***

LV Switchgear division meeting was held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at IEEMA, New Delhi office, which was attended by 20 members. The discussions were held on Industry status, production figures and other regular agenda points. The Division wants to rework on the format of figures reported currently, for which a committee is constituted within the members. Divisional members also wanted to revisit the PV formula for Switchgear, which was formulated in 2002.

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### **Meeting of T&D Projects Division**

Meeting of T&D Projects Division was held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at IHC, Delhi, chaired by Mr. R. K. Shah, Vice-Chairman, T&D Projects Division, which was attended by 29 representatives from 20 member companies. Mr. Sunil Misra, Director General, Mr. J. Pande, Sr. Director, Mr. Naveen Upreti, Sr. Executive Officer, Mr. Subhajt Dasgupta Sr. Executive Officer and Ms. Amrita Datta, Sr. Executive represented IEEMA at the meeting. The discussions were broadly on GST, Reverse Auction, T&D Conclave, Standard Bidding Document, Study on addressing Transmission bottlenecks by E&Y etc.



### **Workshop on Electric Motor Installation, Operation & Maintenance**

IEEMA organised a One day Workshop on “Electric Motor Installation, Operation & Maintenance – Best Practices” on 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2017 at IEEMA Mumbai Conference room. The workshop was conducted by Cdr. Yogesh Chaudhari, PMP®, Co-Founder and COO of Adler Technoserve Pvt. Ltd, with an objective to refresh and upgrade participants’ knowledge of installation, operation and maintenance of electric motors. He also discussed and explained various direct/indirect, electrical and mechanical reasons for motor failure and introduced participants to trending best practices in the testing of motor installations and identifying anomalies before failure take place.



The workshop was attended by participants from companies like Bharat Bijlee, Aakash Powertech, Autocal, Nocil, Bhel, Tastel Fine Food, Hindustan Motors Mfg. Co. and Godrej & Boyce Mfg. Co. Ltd. It was a highly interactive workshop and the participants’ feedback was overwhelming.

### **GST representation on Electrical Wire & Cables**

IEEMA made a representation to the Government of India and the GST Council regarding high GST rates on Electrical Wires and Cables (HSN 8544). Presently, Electrical Wires and Cables are attracting a GST rate of 28%, and IEEMA has requested the government to get these items reclassified under 18% GST.

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