



MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR 79th EC MEETING

Date: 12th June 2019

Time: 7.30pm

Conference Call

MEMBERS PRESENT

Sujata Kohli	Hon. President
Sridevi Rao	Hon. Vice President
Rohit Marol	Past President
Nidhi Madan	Hon. Secretary
Jitendra Pawgi	Hon. Treasurer
Neelima Soni	Fellow Member
Prashanta Bhat	Fellow Member
Swati Sahasrabudhe	Fellow Member
Asok Kumar	Associate Member
Venkata Lakshmi	Associate Member
Vineetha PS	Associate Member
Parisutha Rajan	Co-opted Member
Shilpa Chandawarkar	Co-opted Member
Preetanshi Singh	Co-opted Member

Hon President Sujata Kohli presided over the meeting.

The Conference Call was conducted with only elected and co-opted EC members, to follow up on responsibilities set and follow up action taken. (Chapter representatives were not present)

Education Board

Swati Sahasrabudhe, EB convenor shared the first draft of the EB constitution. Prashanta Bhat, chairperson identified the need for institutional participation. MoUs with institutions was discussed, and the constraints of government colleges was mentioned. The template of MoU to be different, with an ISOLA member in each institution as a point of contact. EB to participate in setting up of LA courses. Dividing the EB into groups, with a small core group of not more than 4 people, there would be an advisory circle and a working group. Local chapters and institutions to recommend a member each for the working group.

As per the Memorandum, all office bearers will be ex officio members of all committees, in principle. This is only called upon in particular conditions, however.

Student Forum/ Awards

Shilpa Chandawarkar suggested documentation by students, and/ or presentation of student awards along the lines of thesis day (held in Bangalore annually) through the student wing.

Chapter Coordination

Neelima Soni suggested a connect be made at the top level of local municipal corporations, inclusion of horticultural and landscape works in DSR (not only civil works), guidelines and rules of enlistment of contractors, development of detailed specifications, training of contractors. Other possible initiatives include a national level workshop on the role of our profession, contribution of expertise to plantation drives (typically conducted by governments in large numbers).

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ISOLA has already started contributing, both by individual members and a coordinating group to Griha's native planting lists.



For city level issues, a chapter person can be the local connect to works with EC. Sujata Kohli to initiate a discussion with chapter heads to identify chapter members for the professional practice group.

Social media

Vineetha to connect with local newspapers and set up a structure for social media activities.

Resource Centre

Parisutha Rajan and Venkata Lakshmi to refer to the EB recommendations for the resource centre. Member resources including papers, research to be collected and uploaded to the website.

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