# MINUTES OF 63 rd ECM OF U.P.A.A. HELD ON 29.11.2015 (SATURDAY)

## AT HOTEL CLARKS INN APPLE TREE, GHAZIABD U.P.

- 1. The Chapter Chairman, Ar. N.K.Sharma welcomed all delegates. The meeting was called to order by the President of UPAA.
- 2. Self Introduction by members of all chapters.: Members from different Chapters were present and introduced themselves.
- Read and confirm the minutes of last EBM The minutes of last EBM held at 05.04.2015(SUNDAY) AT N.C.Z.CC., C.S.P. Singh Marg, Allahabad, U.P. was read by Ar. Saurabh Saxena (Due to absence of Gen. Secretary )and confirm by Ar. Yogesh Chandra and seconded by Ar. Ar. N.K.Sharma

### 4. Report on Activities of UPAA

Due to absence of Gen. Secretary the report on activities of UPAA was read by the President as under-.

- 1. The amendments in the Architects Act 1972 were compiled on the basis of suggestions of the members and outcome of the meeting at Lucknow at Govt. College of Architecture with President COA and IIA. The chairman of act amendment committee Ar. J.R.Bhalla has also submitted complete report of recommendations for amendment to the ministry. Presently the report is pending at the ministry of HRD level for further action.
- 2. President informed that in follow up of above amendments, UPAA has written letters to Prime Minister, Minister for HRD, Secretary, Ministry of HRD to speed up the matter.
- 3. The Association has opposed a advertisement of Union Bank of India, Delhi, wherein the bank has asked a security deposit from Architects for empanelment.
- 4. In reply of above letter the bank has replied that after empanelment architects do not respond for small works and the purpose of empanelment fails if they do not render the services.
- 5. The association has written a letter to all Municipal commissioners of Nagar Nigams of U.P. which has been selected under smart city scheme with a copy to local chapter Chairman/ Secretary, requesting to nominate architects as city experts in the work force committee to be made for the scheme. The letter has also the reference of the G.O. of the state Govt. for this nomination.
- 6. The association has written a letter to the Chief Minister of U.P. requesting him for the revision of fees for public sector projects. A high level committee was formed to this effect which has turn down the request.

- 7. President informed that considering the changing scenario of the profession in the country. For example foreign architects are being invited to render services without the permission of COA, people are making PMC groups and employing fresher/junior architects just for getting their signatures, competence of architects are defined in various documents in different manner, all such situations are contributing to the deterioration of the profession. The association worked on these issues in association with the COA and Govt. of India has formed an Inter Ministerial Group of Six ministries to study the problems of the profession and give recommendations for the action to be taken, A meeting of this IMG has taken place at Delhi and has sent its minutes to various concerned departments for their comments. After getting the observations from various deptt.s/state Govt.'s the IMG's next meeting will take place.
- 8. President told that on the demand of COA prepared a panel of Architects from the U.P. State for the inspection of institutions. Out of which many of the Architects were deputed for the inspection of institutions.
- 9. President told the house that on the request of inspectors, the association has written a letter to the COA for the increment in honorarium paid by the council to the inspectors for the inspection of institutions.
- 10. The issue of tendering of fees for Architectural services has lead to as low as 0.01%. The issue is being continuously taken up by the association before appropriate authorities for an appropriate solution.

#### 5. Report from Chapters and Committees of UPAA

No chapter presented any report.

#### 6. Any other point :

Ar. Yogesh Chandra , who was election officer also for the elections , told the house that no nomination paper has been received for any of the post to be elected on next day. In such circumstances the executive committee resolved a proposal to be placed before the house of General body meeting on next day that present President shall continue for next term as he can repeat next (second ) term also as per provision. It was also resolved that Ar. Sandeep Goyal from Ghaziabad shall be Vice–President and Ar. Dinesh Kumar shall be Joint Secretary for the term 2015–17. For rest of the posts it was resolved that President shall fill rest of the post by co-opting the members at his choice. Election officer also told that he will not be present in general body meeting due to some unavoidable circumstances. Hence he delegated the duties, functions and powers to Ar. N.K.Bhatanagr of Roorkee to perform the duties, functions and powers of election officer for conducting the elections on 29.11.2015. Ar. Yogesh Chandra gave a written report to this effect.

#### 7. Vote of Thanks:

President, UPAA adjourned the meeting with a Vote of Thanks.

- Anil Km. Gupta Gen. Secretary President
- Rajiv Kumar Dwivedi President