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A training program for Masons was jointly organized by Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust and Builders' Association of India, Mysuru in association with M/s UltraTech Cement Ltd. The program started with the invocation by one of the Masons. Our State Chairman, Sri.A. R.Ravindra Bhat inaugurated the training program on 13th July 2015 at BAI premises. MBCT Chairman, Sri D. Keerthi Kumar, Centre Chairman Sri M. S. Ramprasad and BAI Hon. Secretary J V R Naidhruva were the dignitaries on the Dias. Sri.A.R.Ravindra Bhat in his inaugural address congratulated the masons for enthusiastically participating in good number. He mentioned the importance of time management and how it would help them and the society.

Centre Chairman, Sri.M.S.Ramprasad warmly welcomed the gathering and requested the Masons to utilize the opportunity to develop their skills in their respective fields. This time a record number of 93 masons turned out for the training. It was a challenge for the coordinators Sri. M. Rathnaraj and Sri R. Ragunath in making the necessary arrangements at the last moment as the expected masons were around 50. Thanks to the co-ordinators for the great job done with necessary arrangements at the last moment.

The topics were well designed keeping in mind the practicality at site. Construction workers between the age group of 18 to 45 years attended the training with great involvement. Classes were conducted on subjects like construction material, types of concrete, safety aspects on scaffolding, shuttering methods, plumbing, good construction practices and ethics.

The resource persons did a great job and they were the highlight of this successful training. I thank our BAI members Sri S. R. Swamy, Sri A. R. Ravindra Bhat,





On 14th of July 2015 the training program concluded with valedictory. Sri Mahendra, Editor, Vijayavani news daily was the Chief Guest. In his address he highlighted about the addictions in the labour community, the ill effects and how to overcome them. He applauded the efforts of BAI Mysuru in conducting such useful program.



Sri S. Prakash, Sri U. M. Gurushanthappa, Sri A. S. Yoganarasimha and Sri K. R. Prabhakar Rao. A big thanks to Sri H. S. Deepak, Consultant from ACCE and Sri M. R. Yogesh, Sri Shobith Rao., from M/s Ultra Tech Cement Ltd.

Participants were given toolkits, certificates and stipend. Sri K. R. Prabhakar Rao and Sri A. V. Sridhar sponsored Taps and Plumb bob respectively.

Representing Ultra Tech, I am very happy to be associated with BAI and MBCT in conducting such useful training program.

-By Mr. Lelin Das



We appreciate Mr.Lelin Das, Asst.Manager – Technical service of M/s. Ultratech Cement Ltd., for being one of the resource persons of Masons training program.

- Ed

HEALTH ON WHEELS



This year's dream project of BAI, 'HEALTH ON WHEELS' was kick started with great enthusiasm on 3rd of July 2015 at Foundations' 'Silver Spring' project site, thus making BAI, Mysuru reach a significant milestone.

NGO Sri.Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM) wholeheartedly accepted our request to conduct free health check-up camp at Silver Spring project site. If workers are healthy they give strong support to our Mysuru, led the team. He was assisted by Mrs.P.Sridevi and SVYM team. Health check-up camp started at 11am sharp and went up to 3p.m. More than 80 workers underwent the health check up. Workers names were registered along with their contact numbers for follow up. Some of the workers were referred to further investigation. Smt.Anuradha Nandakumar, Smt.Usha Prakash and Smt.Sandhya Dinesh from SPOORTHI did an exemplary service by counseling the labours. The purpose is to say "WE ARE WITH YOU" and to create awareness on healthy lifestyle. They also conveyed the purpose of free health check up camps at site.

BAI aims to ensure that all the construction workers to be protected against HIV, epidemic and communicable diseases. Through Health On Wheels program builders can start an intensive support program for families of labours who need extra help to improve their health condition.



Instilling a good healthy habits in workers is vital for work force. A day prior to health check-up camp next generation children by preventing the diseases arising in childhood. Poor health has an adverse impact on physical and mental health.

Mrs.P.Sridevi, M&E Officer, SVYM and team conducted a workshop on the spot and explained the motto behind the event. Sri.N.S.Muralidhara, Sri.S.R.Swamy, Sri.A.R.Ravindra Bhat, Sri.U.M.Gurushanthappa and Sri.A.N.Sridhar of FOUNDATIONS took the initiative in organizing the first health camp and made all necessary arrangements.

There were three counters for counseling, health checkup and to dispense drugs respectively. Dr.Siddalingappa Hoogar of JSS Medical College,

Thanks to Spoorthis for attending and assisting the camp in large number. Our sincere thanks to Foundations directors for the sumptuous lunch. Our heartfelt thanks to SVYM team who made "HEALTH ON WHEELS" a grand success. Meet you all next month......

-By Mr. K.L.GURURAJ







Mountains, Lashing Rain and Golden Sunshine!!!!!

Playing hide & seek with golden sunshine and misty peaks, the Coorg Cliff Resort was awaiting us to be the ideal

Playing hide & seek with golden sunshine and misty peaks, the Coorg Cliff Resort was awaiting us to be the ideal host on July 18th for the family outstation EC meeting. The 300 acres of coffee and spices plantation that swirls around the Coorg Cliff Resort offered us a treat that can only be described as Spectacular. Staying in the lap of greenery, get reconnected with nature that too after a month long hectic green activities was a soothing feeling to all of us. After a mouth watering lunch in the restaurant enjoying the picturesque landscape, the check in process went on very smoothly as it was meticulously planned in advance by the head table. Outside the cottages of the resort, was the lush green carpet of coffee bushes and beyond it a valley with views of the sunrise and sunset.

After few hours of relaxation, the members gathered on the top floor for the brainstorming EC Meeting. The EC meeting had reports of various heads of the committees. Quarterly accounts were also circulated.

Then it was the time for the most exciting part of the tour — 'The Fun Games'. Bend it like Beckham - was the first game which was meant for the men. They were asked to pick up the paper roll which was kept upright on the ground using only their mouth when only their foot touched the ground. It was a real fun watching them bend and losing their balance. The final round had only 5 contenders left out of 35, who had to bend as low as only 2" above the ground. By that time the excitement amongst all those who were watching, was at its peak. Finally the first three who won the game was Mr.J.V.R.Naidhruva, Mr.G.Ashok and Mr.Lelin Das.





The next game was still more fun and exciting. It was a couple game. The names of the celebrity couples were stuck at the back of the members and their spouses randomly. They were asked to find their celebrity partner by first finding out who they are. It was so funny looking at the participants who were desperately trying to find out their partners. Mrs. Latha Ramprasad& Mr. K. T. Govindaraj won the first prize, Mrs. Shwetha Dinesh and Mr. V. Srinath won the second and Mrs. Veena Ashok and Mr. V. Nagaraj Bairy won the third prize.

The third and the last game of the day – The Dictator created a total chaos and madness as the couples were made to stand opposite and asked one of them to dictate a paragraph to the other but all participants together. There was peals of laughter by the onlookers and shear madness prevailed in the atmosphere !!!!!. The top three couples who won the prize are: Mr. and Mrs. Chandrashekar Bharadwaj, Mr. and Mrs. Sriram & Mr. and Mrs. Nandakumar respectively. Special appreciation prize went to Mr. & Mrs. Gurushanthappa for his dramatic dictation.

Mrs. Veena Ashok conducted a game involving all the kids and ladies which was enjoyed by all. Chi.Pranav son of Mr.K.R.Prabhakara Rao won the prize. Kids irrespective of the age enjoyed trampulin and playing swing under the lashing rain.

After this, the stage was set to hear melodious music from the in house talents Smt Anupama Sriram; Smt Anuradha Nandakumar; Smt.Shwetha Dinesh; Myself and Mr.K.Sriram who rendered the old Hindi & Kannada hits. Chi.Pranav & Kum.Sharanya represented the younger generation with new songs.

After sumptuous dinner, finally it was time to sit and play cards. Some played Rummy, others gathered to

play 'Harida Kaagadha'. The card games went on up to the wee hours. Early morning, we could see many in the infinity pool which was extending to the horizon looked like Blue Lagoon. The dip in the blue waters itself was an exhilarating experience for us. Spoorthi President Mrs. Madhvi Gurushanthappa's birthday was celebrated by cutting the cake.

The morning with light showers, misty clouds, chill weather was the perfect time to have the romantic couple game – The Treasure hunt. The couples were given 10 clues to search and for proof, they were asked to take selfie. The couples were seen going around the length & breadth of the Cliff resort with colorful umbrellas exploring the places given in the clue. It was the most romantic scene of the trip to see the couples moving around under one umbrella in the lashing monsoons !!! The Chairman and the first lady were made to sit on a swing under heavy rains and the participant couples were requested to take a selfie with them too !! Mr. & Mrs. R. Raghunath won the first prize, Mr. & Mrs. Chandrashekar Bharadwaj won the second prize and Mr. & Mrs. Srinath won the third prize.

Thanks to Mr. M. S. Ramprasad, Chairman, BAI, Mysuru for giving me & Vani an opportunity to organize the games. We both thoroughly enjoyed while others enjoyed playing. Thanks to the hosts Mr. A. S. Yoganarasimha, Mr. K. M. Raghunath and Mr. G. Ashok. Thanks to the coordinators Mr. K. S. Balaji, Mr. K.M.Raghunath and Mr. A. S. Yoganarasimha who did an excellent job in organizing the trip. Chairman Mr. M. S. Ramprasad & Secretary Mr. J. V. R. Naidhruva were as usual most involved and supportive which made the entire trip one of the most memorable one.

-By Mr. N.SUBRAMANYA



The highlight of the trip was the games organized by Mr. and Mrs. N.Subramanya in a meticulous and intimate way. Big thanks to Vani and Subbu who taught most of the couple to take the selfie. -Ed.

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THE "Shilpi"S OF MYSURU BAI...4

Movers, Shakers and Shapers

It is not easy to write a piece on this man, his contribution to society and achievements are many and if you combine the strengths of his 'better half' they are a phenomenal couple. I know I am writing about 'Nandakumar Sir' only, but ever since I got closely

associated with them I realized that they are a package deal. The role his charming wife **Anuradha** plays in his life and vice versa is something that cannot be explained. They are a total couple. Doting parents, special educators, cultural ambassadors, committed Rotarians / Inner wheelers, par excellence in their profession, innate leadership skills, BAI is their passion. What more can you possibly want to do in life! When they sit back and look back at life. I am sure that they will not have any regrets as they have lived a 360 degrees life, being everywhere and excelling everywhere. The way they (especially Anoo) handled the arrival of **Nishanth** (a child with special needs) and the way they made his life what it is today, calls for an entire edition of Mysore Shilpi to be dedicated to them. Their daughter Nimisha played the perfect foil, going on to pursue a Masters in Structural Engineering at the Ivy League, Vellore Institute of Technology.

I met Nandoo Sir in a social event almost 30 years ago and it was just like any other acquaintance. We met again during the buildup to our centre launch in 1986-87. We were thirty odd members then. From the day one, Nandoo was one person who was strongly propagating 'the discipline' mantra. I distinctly remember, he was insistent on a dress code for our inaugural; it did not happen, may be he was too junior

then, to be taken seriously. But then, for little more than a decade we trundled along like any other organization in its formative years, having its own challenges and pitfalls. He had by then shown his class in Rotary as an inventive and astute leader. The chance of leading BAI Mysore came his way in 1998. The first meeting we had well before the installation. For the first time all of us were curtly told to be on time, we were handed out sheets with everything planned to the last 'T'. He articulated on his vision for the Mysore centre and the road map to get there. Again for the first time a dress code was mandated and a minute by minute program for the installation was drawn up. All this was absolutely new to us and I for one came back really impressed, we finally had an army style General as our leader which we badly needed. Follow-up was meticulous with phone calls everyday; we were handed out sheets with our individual roles and responsibilities. We were all strictly told to be on time for the installation and for the first time we were all there at sports club, @6 PM sharp in smart and dapper navy blue blazers. The installation and the entire year went true to Nandoo-style, meticulous planning, skillful execution and graceful finishes. Every month was full of activity and to get an organisation that had never gone beyond the ordinary to perform must have been an onerous task. His 'never say die attitude' and his dogma on 'plan your work and work your plan' succeeded in launching BAI Mysore into such an orbit that it has never looked back since. His launch vehicle was so robust that other than launching the center it also spawned a generation of leaders, incubated and mentored by him. Several of us including yours truly, proudly consider him as our mentor. We conducted our first seminar during the period along with several innovative programs-first ever site visit; first ever photo-exhibition; part of first

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ever overseas tour. At the end of his term BAI Mysore had indeed arrived, it had realized its potential and there was a new buzz, a new beginning which led to the first ever National Award!!

As every past chairmen of Mysore centre he remained extremely active in all our activities even after his term; he co-ordinated first ever fundraising program-TARANG, CHINNARA DASARA, Builders' radio magazine. The Calcutta National Convention in early 2001 was a landmark for the Mysore centre in many ways. We had a record of almost 40+ registrations and lot of excitement in attending the convention. The tragic Gujarat earth quake a few days before the event put in a damper, several members withdrew but almost 15 of us resolved to make it. We went by train with many of our better halves in company. The convention was a damp squib, but the trip was very enjoyable for all of us. When we were at Science City in Calcutta, I broached the subject of Mysore hosting a BAI convention/exhibition with Nandoo and he was immediately forthcoming saying that we can surely do it. During our rail journey he and Anoo initiated several debates on varied topics and made the journey a real learning experience. That is when I suggested a ladies wing of BAI and that went on to become a reality in 2002.

When we were given the opportunity to host the Southern Regional Builders' Convention in 2001, he was the automatic choice to lead the Convention committee and that was an opportunity he handled with great degree of aplomb, he delivered a master class in

planning, organizing and delivering a blemish less convention. He coined the name 'Dakshina Parva' from which derived 'Bharat Parva'. His ability at team building came to the fore, as several fringe members came into the limelight and emerged as the future generation of leaders. I had a ring side seat during this event as Hon Secretary of the centre and as Chairman of the first ever MYBUILD, it was a wonderful learning experience for me with a share of heartbreaks when I was severely given a dressing down by him for mistakes committed or for the lack of discipline. This for you is Nandoo! I am sure very few have escaped his ire for failing to be disciplined but I am sure all of them have emerged as better individuals after that. There have been instances that his fetish for discipline has not been taken in the right spirit. During a National GC/MC meeting hosted by us in 2007, the organizing committee had taken a conscious decision not to give mementoes to non GC/MC members. Nandoo as the front end of a collective decision took the flak manfully with several non members expressing their dissatisfaction. This took its toll; when he was to become State Chairman, there was a vociferous lobby against him, because he was doing a job of distributing mementoes as per the wishes of the organizing committee. Few of us had to work well past midnight to convince the aggrieved members about the actual ground realities and ensure a unanimous vote. Nandoo was not privy to this as this is the first time we are speaking about this. I thought it is relevant to this article because it shows the resolve of the person and also the dangers and pitfalls of speaking your mind and being forthright.

We have travelled the length and breadth of this country on BAI duty and I cherish every journey I have made with him. I dedicate a lot of what I am in public life to this person that is the effect he can have on you as conversations with him will always have a lot of social relevance along with great intellectual content.

When we got the chance to host the National Convention in 2012, it was conscious decision of the seniors to showcase depth in our center by fielding an unexpected 'new face' organizing committee. Murali



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and Badri along with their team did a great job but Nandoo showed a face that was hitherto unearthed, he was the quintessential 'go to' man during the event, the strategist, the silent excecutionaire and elderly statesman. This showed he has come a full circle, tirelessly working towards the helm, excelling in leadership, when given the opportunity and gracefully playing the role called upon outside the role of leadership. The brilliant, unforgettable cultural programs during the three evenings of Bharat Parva were his creations.

His role in the formation of MBCT and its activities ever since, go by the high standards he has set. He and Prakash are responsible for the building we have today. He is on the verge of retiring as a trustee but his concern and enthusiasm for our expansion and remodeling is something extraordinary. He recently climbed three floors to be in a meeting that was deciding the design of the auditorium.

He has travelled India, Australia, South Africa, Dubai, Singapore, Indonesia, Thailand, Nepal; successfully led a Rotary GSE team of four young achievers to Georgia, USA. His achievement in Rotary have been equally exemplary and is surely in line to be a District Governor.

His tips for the future generation is.

Time lost is lost forever. There is no elevators in life, but stairs only. Concentrate on quality. Most important, be a good human being. It's a learning process, "ours is a journey, not a destination".

His Vision for Mysore Centre and BAI nationally.

I am very happy and proud of mysore chapter's achievements. There is a long way to go. I have a dream of having a separate national level college for construction related skills. There must be a beautiful hospital with all facilities for the construction fraternity

in mysore. To give more thrust on quality, technical presentations, on par with any national institutions. To inculcate sense of belonging and build pride amongst members. As far as national body is concerned, somehow i am not very happy about how things are happening. With so much of money and knowledge, definitely we can be more professional in addressing issues related to construction. There must be a vision statement from the apex body atleast for the next decade. There must be a training module to train right from president of the organisation to governing council members upto the grassroot members, so that our meetings at national level will be more meaningful. Very happy about the construction journal, which is edited by senior most builder, shankarbhai and i feel that few more editors need to be trained by him, so that the quality of the journal will not be hampered in the future.

Nandu is a very special person, and doing justice to try and pen his life is a Herculean task but please remember as I have articulated in the beginning, Anuradha has played a vital role in all this, lack of space impedes me in

g o i n g i n t o h e r achievements. I have tried my best to cover the unknown and have not gone into HIS BIO DATA, the publishers can always carry it separately and I am sure it is available in the public domain. Writing this has been very nostalgic. I once again reiterate that I dedicate whatever I am in public life to this fine gentleman, "TO SIR WITH LOVE".



-By Mr. K. Sriram

Annual general body meeting



Annual general body meeting of BAI was held on 30th of July 2015 at MBCT premises. Audited Accounts for the year 2014-15 was presented by the immediate past chairman Sri. M.C. Mallikarjun. After a few questions and clarifications, It was passed unanimously. More than 50 members actively participated in the meeting. **-Ed.**

"ENJOY YOUR KITCHEN" BY SPOORTHI



Hats off to the team of Spoorthi EC for excellent planning, communication and quick meeting!!Saturday, 25th July, 2015, was one of those monthly meeting days. All meetings are going on as per the Planner, and this meeting was not an exception. Waah! The communication is great. We are getting SMS messages, Whatsapp messages and telephone calls from EC members. Thinking ahead, to save valuable time of every member, our team of EC had held few meetings early enough to discuss-dissect-decide various issues about which they could just brief us quickly during general meeting.

Formally the meeting began with President, Mrs.Madhavi Gurushanth's welcome address, announcing that the meeting would be followed by a program on awareness to "Reduce-Recycle-Reuse-Refuse Kitchen Waste" called "Enjoy Your Kitchen". She also shared the various projects held in June-July, supporting BAI & associated organizations for environment month celebrations and Health-on-Wheels, apart from donating sanitary napkins to high school girls of Vivekananda School, Mooganahundi village, where most of the students come from families of construction work-force.

Two children of construction workers Kushala and Obalesh were paid their education expenses worth



Rs.4,015/-. She also mentioned about future projects lined up to be carried out in July-August. Treasurer, Mrs. Latha Ramprasad presented quarterly finance report and announced that an anonymous donor from BAI, Mysuru has donated Rs.25,000/- to Spoorthi for their charity activities. She also informed us about the purchase of almerah for spoorthi . It was unveiled by the spoorthi members.

"Enjoy your kitchen", workshop began with Mr.Ramesh Kikkeri's talk. He started with emphasizing on understanding future of world like issues of water scarcity, power scarcity, air pollution, city sewage odour, water contamination health-hygiene. Particularly he analyzed that sewage odour is due to city's wet-waste. He gave following tips:

- 1. Switch off electric equipments at home using main switch instead of remote control to save energy and also to save equipments from lightening.
- 2. Use solar fans as fans are required during mid noon and after noon. Courtesy IGBC, they are available now, contact Vice-President, Mr. Vinod Barouli, Venus Gas.
- 3. Change normal tube lights and bulbs to LED bulbs called as lumins to save power.
- 4. Use and develop discrimination to use lights only when required.
- 5. 80% of wet waste in any house, is from kitchen. Recycle it into Bio-cooking-gas.
- 6. Use push tap instead of threaded tap to save water by 80%. Proven by experiment at RKVS.
- 7. Use shower aerators and limit shower time to save
- 8. Water waste from washing machine can be connected to lavatory flush tanks to save water.

Have 2 buckets & a bag for kitchen waste. One bucket for wet waste; One bucket for dry waste; One bag for recycle waste. Wet waste can be converted into Biogas and the slurry as garden manure



Mrs. Suma Shayamsunder and Mrs.Sudha Kikkeri, who had accompanied him, shared few delicious recipes using various vegetable peels, which took us back to childhood memories of our mother's kitchen. Past President Mrs.Geethashree's birthday was celebrated by cutting cake.

Our dear members, Mrs. Reena Pal and Mrs.Smitha had co-ordinated potluck lunch. Interestingly, playfully they had tagged each food item by giving 2 letters from the maker's name in Kannada for other members to guess the name of the member who cooked the food item; then distributed prizes to top 3 who guessed the maximum.

- By Mrs. Anu Nandoo

MC MEETING IN COCHIN

The second National MC Meeting of Builders' Association of India was held at Cochin on 24th July 2015, at Bolgatta Palace Island Resorts which is run by the Government of Kerala, the God's Own Country.

It was a month long planning to attend the 2nd MC Meeting. Mr.K.Sriram, Mr.N.S. Muralidhara, State Chairman Mr. R.Ravindra Bhat, Centre Chairman Mr.M.S. Ramprasad and Myself left Mysuru early in the morning on 23rd July 2015 to catch the Cochin flight from Bengaluru. It was an hour journey from Bengaluru and we reached Cochin fifteen minutes earlier than the scheduled time. The BAI Cochin Centre had arranged a car to pick us to Cochin, which is 40 kms from Cochin. We checked in to the Bolgatta Palace a beautiful island resorts where they provided accommodation for the MC Members from all over the Country. After a very good lunch we relaxed for some time and in the evening some of us went for city tour. We visited LULU MALL which is very big and second in Asia as per my knowledge. We came back to Bolgatta Palace and joined other members for dinner. The organizers made an excellent arrangement which was really good.

On 24th July 2015 we attended the MC meeting which was scheduled at 10:30 a.m at the same venue. We were welcomed in a Traditional way. Various Committee heads gave the reports and elaborate discussions on taxation and cement issues were held and the meeting was closed by 2:30 p.m. As Kerala's tradition lunch was served in plantain leaf. After relaxation, in the evening at around 5 p.m they had arranged a Cruise between old Cochin and new Cochin on back waters for an hour. It was indeed an excellent journey and all the MC members enjoyed it. We came back to Bolgatta Palace and had a grand gala dinner with entertainment. We left Cochin at 10 p.m to reach Mysuru on Saturday morning. It was a very nice and memorable meeting.

-By Mr. U. M. Gurushanthappa



Inauguration of Shilpi Wing

At Coorá Institute of Technology, Ponnampet, Kodagu





To provide excellent technical education and training, that develops skills, which contribute to the success of the individual and the country's economy – this is the aim of Coorg Institute of Technology situated in Ponnampet, Kodagu. CIT is committed to providing students with a strong scientific, technical and humanistic foundation. It encourages them to develop creativity in defining problems and seeking solutions. No wonder a technical college of this kind, contacted, Buiders' Association Of India, Mysuru to open a SHILPI wing for the benefit of Civil Engineering students in the college.

The Inauguration of SHILPI wing was conducted on 31st of July 2015 at Coorg Institute of Technology Campus. The program commenced with a melodious invocation by the students sharp at 11 am. Mr. Pramukh Ganapathy, Assistant Professor of Civil Engineering Dept. welcomed the gathering.

The Chief guest of the program was Sri. N.R Ashok, Managing Director of Ace Technologies, Bengaluru. BAI, Mysuru Chairman, Sri M. S. Ramprasad, Hon. Sec. Sri J V R Naidhruva, Hon. Tresurer Sri Nagara Bairy and S H I L P I co-ordinators Sri Ganapathi, Sri A. S. Yoganarasimha, Sri Srinivas were present. Sri C. P Belliappa, President of Kodava Education Society (KES), Sri C. P. Rakesh Poovaiah, Secretary KES, Dr. P. Mahabaleshwarappa, Principal and Sri Pramukh Ganapathy presided over the function.

BAI, Mysuru Chairman , Mr.M.S.Ramprasad briefed the

gathering about vision of BAI and the activities of BAI Mysuru centre. He said that the student wing SHILPI bridges the gap between students and professionals, University and Industry, Education and Corporate sectors. He also made an appeal to the students to hone their skills, be more productive and contribute to the society.

Dr. P. Mahabaleshwarappa addressed the gathering. The chief guest Mr. N.R. Ashok spoke very well about the duties of a Civil Engineer. The students listened to him with rapt attention when he spoke about the scope, future and opportunities available for a Civil Engineer. He advised the students to stick onto civil engineering field only in the future and not to shift to IT field. There could be initial hitch but after years of experience a Civil Engineer can earn more than a software engineer since Civil Engineering is the mother of all branches. The SHILPI co-ordinator of BAI, Mr.A.S. Yoganarashima, briefed the students about the SHILPI activities conducted by BAI, Mysuru.

The SHILPI banner of BAI, Mysuru was unveiled by the guests. Sri. C.P Belliappa, handed over the token of gratitude to the BAI members. The program was concluded with Vote of thanks by Mr. Anand Prahalad, Placement & Training Officer of CIT. Mr. Advith and Mr. Rahul Krishna of 3rd semester civil engineering were the Masters of the ceremony.

-By Mr. A.S. Yoganarasimha, SHILPI co-ordinator







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A Bridge to Reality INTERNSHIP PROGRAM FOR SHILPI STUDENTS



The Clattering of hammers ,noise of the drilling machine ,tippers moving in and out, the engineers' loud conversation with site supervisors and masons, the labours gearing up with helmets and other safety measures, and all SHILPI students waiting to be tossed up in different parts of the construction sites !!!! This was the scene at all the construction sites at 9 am in the morning where the SHILPI students were given an opportunity to do their internship!!!

The training program was conducted for 15 days in the month of July 2015 when the Civil Engineering students had holidays. BAI members, Smt. Nirmala Shekhar, Mr. Srinivas, Mr. Somashekhar, Mr. Prakash, Mr. Yoganarasimha and Mr. Subramanya Rao were kind enough to make all necessary arrangements for the SHILPI Students. Civil Engineering

SHILPI students from Vidya Vikas Institute Of Technology, Mysuru And PES, Mandya participated in this internship program arranged by the SHILPI co-ordinators of BAI.

Students were given a chance to watch and analyze what goes into the construction of various buildings like cellars, apartments, houses and industrial plants. They also learnt quality aspects and safety measures one should follow while working in the construction sites.

- As told by the Shilpi Co-ordinators and compiled by Mrs. Latha Ramprasad

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

(1)11th To 13th of September 2015 - MY REALITY at Jayamma Govindegowda Choultry. **Chairman**: Mr. B. S. Dinesh (9844033314) **Hon. Secretary:** Mr. K. S. Balaji (9845115750)

23rd and 24th of September 2015 - BUILDTECH - Theme "SMART CITY A BUILDERS PERSPECTIVE" (2)Hon. Secretary: Mr. V. Srinath (9845317373) **Chairman:** Mr. N. S. Anand (9880203279)



Congratulations

Sri U. M. Gurushanthappa for being co-opted as a "special invitee to the meetings of the Managing Committee of BAI during 2015 – 16"

Sri K. Sriram for being appointed as the chairperson of "Corporate Membership Development and Communications Committee" and taking over as the National chairman of the IGBC GREEN SKILLS COMMISSION under the new SKILL INDIA initiative of the Prime Minister



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