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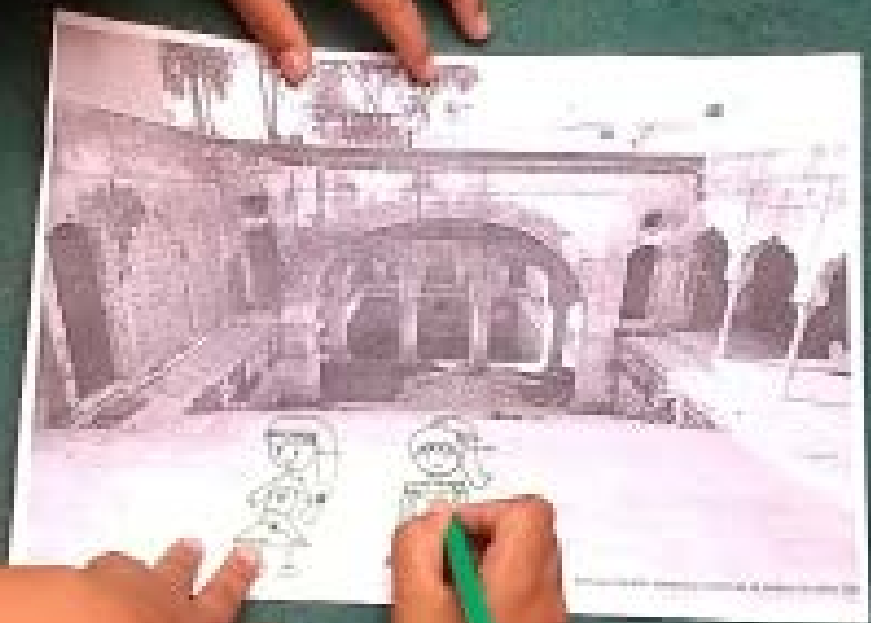
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Council on Monuments and Sites (COMOS) is registered under The Societies Registration Act of 1860 having Registration No. S/1344/SDM/NW/2012. The aim of the society is to further the conservation, protection, rehabilitation and enhancement of historical monuments, groups of buildings and sites on the national level for the benefit of the general public. COMOS is also registered u/s 80G vide Registration No. DEL-CE27994-28082017/8931. Donations to COMOS entitles donors to get benefit of deduction u/s 80G.



ABOUT ICOMOS INDIA

ICOMOS India, registered as Council on Monuments & Sites (COMOS), is a platform for multidisciplinary experts to dialogue, develop and advocate for appropriate mechanisms, policies, frameworks relating to India's diverse heritage. It strives to establish good benchmarks of professionalism. This platform is linked at the regional and international level with complementary ICOMOS committees and brings to these platforms the Indian viewpoint arising from our contextual issues and solutions found therein (both theory and in practice) while also learning from international experiences. As a membership based society, COMOS helps dissemination of information among its members about international events and programs and provides opportunities for its members to participate in such events. The aim of this exchange is capacity building

and to contribute to promoting good practices. It serves as a neutral overseer to ensure that heritage protection and conservation moves in tandem with those of development.

ICOMOS India functions at four levels, at the National level while it works with Central Government Ministries and national institutions, at the Sub Regional level as it works with State Government bodies such as the Department of Archaeology, Public Works Department, Cultural Academies, Zonal Cultural Centers, Universities and further, with Urban and Rural Local bodies NGOs; at the Regional level as it partners with SAARC countries through their ICOMOS National Committees and at the International Level with the International ICOMOS community.



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FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Dear Members,

The year 2018 was a fulfilling year for ICOMOS India with starting of many new beginnings and much progress was achieved on several fronts until the close of the financial year in March 2019. We welcomed new staff and new members in the Executive Committee and added new members to the growing family of ICOMOS India. I take this opportunity to welcome all the new members who joined us this year. During the course of the year we have strengthened our existing relationships with institutions and organizations and this is surely going to have a positive impact on future programs and activities of ICOMOS India.

It gives me immense pleasure to share with you the Annual General Report and the Audited Statement of Accounts for the year 2018-2019. The Annual General Report gives a glimpse of all the activities undertaken through the year which was made possible through the voluntary efforts of several ICOMOS India members. I would like to thank each one of them personally for their invaluable contribution to furthering the objectives of ICOMOS India and thus helping in strengthening the organization. Much goodwill and credibility has been built through their efforts and is reflected in the eagerness of individuals and institutions wanting to join ICOMOS India.

ICOMOS India, a young body established in 2012, has come of age and is now beginning to be recognized as an able body of practitioners and academia in heritage matters by professionals, academia, institutions and government bodies. The membership across the zones, under the able coordination of the zonal coordinators have consistently engaged with local and regional issues. They have demonstrated the immense possibilities members of ICOMOS India bring to the people of India, through collective action in the area of improved understanding, protection, and conservation of our country's unique heritage. There have been some inspiring instances where members have gathered support for issues which have had a positive impact on heritage related matters.

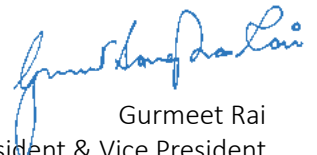
Through the National Scientific Committees ideas for cooperative action in furtherance of scientific work of ICOMOS India has led to initiation of two projects with several more to come soon. A seed grant of INR 2,00,000 (INR 25000 per NSC) for the two collaborative projects has been awarded to the eight participating NSCs. I am happy to share that the second call for proposals for the 'ICOMOS India Research Grant' for NSCs for the year 2019-20 has been released.

The members of the Executive Committee have consistently worked through the year, to keep the house in order in both administrative and financial matters. Frameworks have been put in place for institutional management which are extremely crucial building blocks for stable growth of ICOMOS India as an organization. The Standard Operating Procedures and Guidelines (SOPG) document was drafted within the framework of the Memorandum of Association (MoA) of ICOMOS India through a comprehensive participatory process with several rounds of consultations over a period of ten months. The final draft is now ready to be adopted at the AGM in Varanasi. In addition the process for call for proposals and disbursement of research grants has been institutionalized to streamline scientific work by ICOMOS India. The body of scientific knowledge generated will be shared on the website for wider outreach and dissemination.

Importantly, relationships have been built and further enhanced between ICOMOS India and policy making and academic institutions to take the work forward guided by the 'Delhi Declaration on Heritage and Democracy' drafted by ICOMOS India with the partnership of the international ICOMOS fraternity. The Delhi Declaration upholds the objectives of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 2030.

The key to organization building lies in collective action. We have been constantly growing and learning through our engagement with our members and partner organizations. I once again urge all members to actively participate in the workings of ICOMOS India. Through collective effort we hope to achieve new milestones and embrace new challenges as we move forward. On the occasion of the 5th Annual General Meeting of ICOMOS India to be held in Varanasi on 21st June 2019 we eagerly look forward to the outcome of the deliberation on the draft 'ICOMOS India Strategy and Action Plan 2019-2023' to guide the work of ICOMOS India in the coming years.

Sincerely,



Gurmeet Rai
Officiating President & Vice President
ICOMOS India



OBJECTIVES OF COMOS

The society shall serve as a forum for discussion and for the exchange of information on matters of principle, and of technical, legal and administrative practice, affecting the conservation, restoration, rehabilitation and enhancement of monuments, sites and groups of buildings and historic landscapes for the benefit of the general public. It shall communicate with ICOMOS to understand global approaches, practices and trends in the field and present national perspectives on the same.

ESTABLISH NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES

The Society will encourage the establishment of National Scientific Committees to promote research in specific themes related to the Committees to promote research in specific themes related to the conservation, rehabilitation and enhancement of cultural heritage sites and disseminate the research to the general public.

WORLD HERITAGE

The Society will advise the Government on World Heritage nomination, periodic monitoring, including the

conservation and management frameworks for World Heritage Sites for the benefit of the general public.

REGIONAL COOPERATION

The Society will seek to promote greater regional co-operation within the SAARC territories to promote greater understanding and regional exchange in the heritage field and to guarantee the generational renewal of all heritage Professionals in the region for the benefit of the general public.

Advisory Role in the Field of Heritage Conservation

The Society shall perform an advisory role to various Government institutions on policy matters in the field of heritage conservation.

AWARENESS AND CAPACITY BUILDING FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

In addition to the above, the Society will facilitate, through its expert members, capacity building and professional training programmes for young professionals.



Seminars, Conferences, Discussions, Exhibitions

The Society shall organize regular seminars, meetings, conferences and exhibitions at the regional and national level to discuss heritage issues relevant to the Society's mandate so that the general public is benefited.

HERITAGE EDUCATION

It shall promote a better understanding of the country's diverse multi-cultural heritage sites among the university and school children through regular awareness workshops and programmes

PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY BASED VILLAGE BODIES AND INSTITUTIONS

The society shall work at the rural level in developing capacities of community based village bodies and institutions to manage, preserve, rehabilitate and enhance their heritage by providing access to technical expertise and resources. It shall serve to mainstream heritage concerns at the village level with decision making bodies at the district, state and central administration.

PROMOTE TRADITIONAL BUILDING CRAFTS SKILLS

The Society shall engage with traditional building crafts persons to document traditional building crafts skills and knowledge systems as well as promote and preserve such skills through the organization of regular workshops, training programmes.

COLLABORATION WITH URBAN CIVIC BODIES AND ADMINISTRATION

At the Urban level, the Society will work with municipalities and urban governance in promoting the preservation, rehabilitation and enhancement of historic centres and monuments by providing technical expertise. It shall work closely with urban civic bodies and administration as well as communities living in and around historic centres on issues of urban heritage conservation.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



GURMEET RAI
Vice President

Gurmeet S. Rai is a conservation architect based in New Delhi, India heading Cultural Resource Conservation Initiative (CRCI), her conservation consultancy firm. Her vast experience in conservation and heritage management has been recognized globally like by the World Monuments Fund in New York who appointed her as the project management consultant for scoping and coordinating conservation.



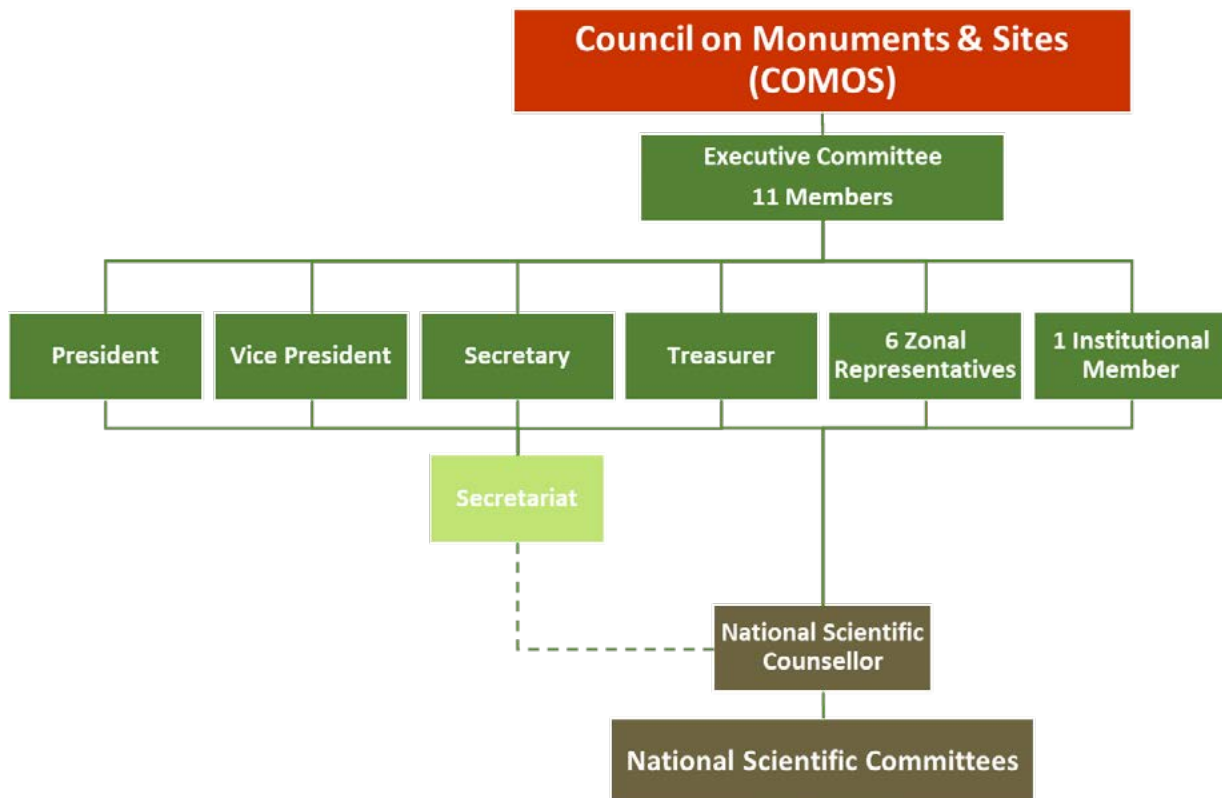
URVASHI SRIVASTAVA
Secretary

Urvashi Srivastava is an architect and heritage conservation expert based in New Delhi. She has worked extensively in the historic towns of Rajasthan. She has authored the books On the Merchants Trail in Shekhawati (Rajasthan) in association with UNESCO, the most detailed work on the region's heritage and Bharatpur: Built Heritage Resource Mapping, the only comprehensive document on the heritage of the historic city of Bharatpur.



AISHWARYA TIPNIS
Treasurer

Aishwarya Tipnis is the principal architect of an eponymous architectural and urban heritage conservation practice based in New Delhi, India. She is the recipient of the highest civilian honour in the culture sector the insignia of Chevalier des Arts et des Lettre (Knight of the Arts and Letters), by the Government of France in 2018 for her outstanding commitment to preservation of French Heritage in India.



**SHALINI DASGUPTA**

North Zone Representative

Shalini Dasgupta is a Conservation Architect based in New Delhi and runs a multi-disciplinary practice offering services in Architecture, Interior Design & Conservation for the last 24 years. She has received her formal training under internationally noted B.V Doshi, A.D Raje from CEPT, Ahmedabad and Conservation Studies from SPA, New Delhi.

**GSV SURYANARAYANA MURTHY**

South Zone Representative

GSV Suryanarayana Murthy is Practicing as an Independent Consultant in the field of Planning, Architecture, Urban Design and Conservation with an approach of “reuse, recycle, restore, appropriate use and maintain” as principles of Design, Planning and Execution of projects.

**ANANYA BHATTACHARYA**

East Zone Representative

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**POONAM TRAMBADIA**

West Zone Representative

Poonam Trambadia started practice based in Ahmedabad since 2006. Working as consultants with organisations like Archaeological Survey of India, INTACH, World Monument Funds, Municipal Corporations of Ahmedabad, Rajkot and other NGOs and Private Heritage owners.

**NAVNEET RAMAN**

Central Zone Representative

Navneet Raman is the founder of Kriti Gallery and Artist Residency at Kriti Gallery which is instrumental in showing art from around the world in Banaras (Varanasi). He is the founder of Banaras Cultural Foundation, a non for profit cultural organisation engaged in cultural exchange and education trips.

**SHWETA SRIVASTAV**

Institutional Representative

Shweta is a researcher, writer and educator. She trained as an architect and has a PhD in Urban Sustainability focusing on Urban Carbon footprints as policy tools in India from Cardiff University, UK. She is the Coordinator for the UNESCO chair in Culture, Habitat and Sustainable Development and Associate Dean for the School of Law, Environment and Planning at Srishti Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Bangalore.

REPORT FROM SECRETARIAT

Under the authority of the President ICOMOS India and in consultation with the Executive Committee (EC) ICOMOS India, the Secretariat coordinates the implementation of ICOMOS India General Programs and Initiatives.

ICOMOS INDIA successfully organized the 19th Triennial General Assembly and Scientific Symposium in New Delhi in December 2017. This was the largest event of heritage professionals from around the world held for the first time in India and third time in Asia, and was attended by over 1000 participants and guests from 113 countries, with the representation of 65 ICOMOS National Committees. The General Assembly and the Scientific Symposium aroused immense interest from professionals both from within the country and outside. The event became a major catalyst in activating participation of members in activities of ICOMOS India and forging of institutional relationships with the national and the state governments as well as academic institutions. Apart from the intense and highly stimulating discussions and discourses that ensued over the five days of the meet, the event facilitated ICOMOS India raise funds for its continued mission.

Successful organization of an international event of the scale of the Triennial General Assembly became a reality because of the collective and well-coordinated efforts of the members of ICOMOS India and young volunteers from several academic institutions. The event was supported by the generous funding received from Central and State Government bodies as well as private sponsors. Government of India supported this very ambitious initiative of ICOMOS India as a host of the General Assembly through the engagement of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Ministry of Culture, the Archaeological Survey of India, Wildlife Institute of India. The state governments of Jammu and Kashmir, Odisha and Bihar supported this initiative generously. The mega event was much appreciated by the participants.

Post the General Assembly the first task at the beginning of 2018 was to take stock of the expenditures incurred for the mega event, closing of vendor payments, tax liabilities, registration fees and closure of the General Assembly account books. Much of the early months of 2018 went into sorting out financial matters and closing of the account books. Parallel to this activity the drafting of the Standard Operating Procedures and Guidelines (SOPG) was initiated by the Secretariat and the draft was circulated to the members through the Zonal representatives for their comments and suggestions. After several rounds of seeking comments on the SOPG the first draft was tabled at the meeting held on 16-17th June, 2018 held at Ahmedabad. A revised draft of the SOPG was again circulated amongst the members post the Ahmedabad meeting. The final draft of the SOPG was put up on the ICOMOS India website in early January 2019 for final round of comments. The final draft of the SOPG incorporating the suggestions made by the members will now be tabled for adoption at the Annual General Meeting scheduled to be held in the city of Varanasi on 21st-22nd June 2019.

After the General Assembly the need for a robust, more attractive and content based website to facilitate and support the growing family of ICOMOS India members and their activities became stronger. In addition, need was felt for streamlining the payment procedure for membership fees and have an updated online database of all the ICOMOS India members. Since the Secretariat has a single staff, it was decided by the Executive Committee to move towards an online system to help facilitate the renewal process and coordination with ICOMOS International to enable the members receive their cards well in time. The Secretariat successfully completed the task of setting up of the newly designed website for ICOMOS India along with an online payment mechanism to receive the membership fees. This has made the renewal and application for the new membership efficient. Due to the streamlined process for new memberships and renewals as well as an effective campaign run on the social media platform significant number of

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new members became part of the growing ICOMOS India family in 2019. During the new membership cycle 2019 apart from the existing 6 Institutional Members one more new Institutional Member and a Sustaining member has been awarded membership of ICOMOS India.

Other significant activities that were successfully conducted by the Secretariat during 2018 were organization of the AGM at Delhi on 30th June, 2019 followed by the NSC Conclave on 1st- 2nd September, 2019. For years membership fees remained the sole source of funding for fulfilling the administrative obligations of ICOMOS India and therefore very little money could be set aside for undertaking scientific activities. The funds raised during the General Assembly put the organization on a strong financial footing for the first time this year making it possible the award of seed funding for two collaborative National Scientific Committee (NSC) Research Projects. Each of the research projects are being undertaken as a partnership between four NSCs. Towards this end, the seed funding of INR 25,000 has been awarded to each of the eight participating NSCs.

Details of the all activities coordinated by the Secretariat through April 2018 – March 2019 have been elaborated below:

CLOSURE OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND CLOSURE OF ALL GA LIABILITIES

The closure of the annual accounts and closure of all GA liabilities was a complicated process due to the following reasons

i. Force Majeure

S.M. Varma & Co were appointed auditors for the year 2017-2018. However, Mr S.M. Varma unfortunately passed away on 3rd December 2017 while we were in the midst of the final preparations of the GA. Being a sole proprietorship company, upon his death there was no clarity on the functioning of his office and the

persons in charge of taking decisions. It is important to note that during the very critical month of January and February 2018, our previous treasurer Ms Vanicka Arora had to leave office and the Executive officer Ms Aishwarya Das moved on to another job and the Secretary Ms Urvashi Srivastava met with an accident and fractured her right hand. In the month of February 2018 Executive Committee nominated Ms Aishwarya Tipnis as the Interim Treasurer. Subsequently, it became clear that S.M Varma & Co could no longer advise us on financial matters and Mr Satish Singh who was the key person from M/s S.M. Varma & Co, who had previously worked closely with the Executive Committee offered his independent services through his proprietary firm M/s Singh Satish & Associates. He was appointed for the casual vacancy on March 14 2018 to undertake the annual audited accounts.

Unfortunately the accounts statements prepared by M/S Singh Satish & Associates had many discrepancies and could not be reconciled with the bank statements and invoices. It was brought to our notice, that M/S Singh Satish and Associates were short-staffed at the time and were not able to send an accountant to the COMOS office to prepare the books. Mr Satish Singh therefore requested the Secretariat to prepare detailed accounting for the FY 2017-18 and send it to them so that they could prepare the audit. The Executive Officer, Ms Smita Babar who was appointed in April 2018 is by training a conservation architect and completely new to COMOS was in no position to be able to render the accounting assistance requested by Mr Satish Singh. Therefore the Executive Committee decided on May 21 2018 to appoint M/s Alacrity Corporate Solutions Private Limited for the accounting work and M/S Vinay Pandey & Co as the auditors for the year 2017-2018 to be able to complete the auditing process for the AGM.

Due to the above mentioned extraordinary circumstances, the entire accounting needed to be re-done in the very limited time.

ii. Approval of Income Tax Department for spending the surplus within FY 2018-2019

As stated above, the surplus from the General Assembly needs to be utilized for the objectives of

COMOS in the most efficient manner therefore a special approval from the Income Tax Department needs to be sought. It was brought to the notice of the members that the surplus funds can only be used towards revenue expenditure within FY 2018-19 during the AGM 2018. The due procedure was completed and Form 10B with the Income Tax Department on 4th October 2018 and the same process would need to be followed every year as per prevailing rules.

iii Filing of GST Liability

COMOS had an outstanding GST liability of Rs 12, 59,826 on account of sponsorships received during the General Assembly in 2017. COMOS had to pay penalties for delays in filing of GST returns from July 2017 onwards for reasons explained in point i.

The GST liabilities were dealt with and paid by September 2018.

iv. Filing of TDS Liability

With a balance of Rs 98,15,733.17 as on 31 March 2018, and the change in regulations for NGOs and societies, COMOS was required to subscribe for a TAN number and subsequently deposit TDS for its consultants and vendors.

This matter was suitably addressed and completed in September 2018.

v. Filing of Income Tax Return for 2017-2018

With the completion of all accounting, auditing and payment of all penalties, COMOS finalized its IT Return in compliance with Rules and Regulation of Registrar of Societies and Income Tax Department.

The Income Tax Return for the year 2017-2018 was successfully filed on 4th October 2018.

ICOMOS INDIA MEETING & SYMPOSIUM AHMEDABAD 16TH-17TH JUNE 2018

An ICOMOS India meeting was held in the west zone on the 16th-17th June, 2018 at Ahmedabad University Central Campus, GICT Building, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad. The event was supported by the hard work and efforts of West Zone representative Ms Poonam Trambadia. A total



of 30 ICOMOS India members participated in the meeting on the 16th June. The President briefed the members about the activities undertaken during the past year 2017-18. The representatives of the zones briefed the members on the activities in their respective zones. A detailed presentation on the

roles and responsibilities of the National Scientific Committees (NSCs) was presented by the NSC Counsellor. The NSC coordinators gave the overview of the activities which were executed during the year 2017-18 and the proposed activities for the year 2018-19 were announced. They also discussed the issues faced and the support needed along with the long term plans. Some additional agenda items were also discussed. On the 17th June, 2018 Standard Operational Guidelines & Procedures (SOPG) (draft) was discussed. A symposium titled 'Historic Cities of Tomorrow: A discourse on Conservation, Development and Management Connect' was organized in the second half of 17th June, 2019. A talk on 'Historic City of Ahmedabad: Issues and Challenges' was also organized. Presentations were given by selected number of members and students who had participated in the poster competitions.

AGM 2018 DELHI 30TH-1ST JULY 2018

The 5th Annual General Meeting of ICOMOS India (COMOS) was organized on 30th June, 2018 at the Aga Khan Trust for Culture, Batashewala Complex, near Sunder Nursery, Nizamuddin, New Delhi. In the absence of the President Mr. Rohit Jigyasu, as per the Rules and Regulations of COMOS, the members present elected Ms. Gurmeet Rai, Vice President, COMOS to chair and preside over the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The Chairperson referred to the Rules and Regulations of COMOS and apprised the members that the AGM convened on 30th June 2018 and the meeting was reconvened on 1st July 2018 as per the Rules and Regulations of the COMOS for the absence of quorum on 30th June 2018. The agenda items transacted included the approval of minutes of the last Annual General Meeting (2017), presentation of the Annual Report (2017-2018), presentation of the Expenditure and the Audited accounts (2017-2018), presentation of the Budget for 2018-2019, appointment of the Chartered Accountant and Auditor (2018-2019) followed by an open house discussion.

NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE CONCLAVE DELHI 1ST-2ND SEPTEMBER 2018

The National Scientific Committee Symposium was held on 1st - 2nd September, 2018 at Aga Khan Trust for Culture, Batashewala Complex, near Sunder Nursery, Nizamuddin, New Delhi. A total of 31 members attended the meeting. On day one a presentation on the proposed NSC Policy as outlined



in the draft Standard Operational Procedures and Guidelines (SOPG) document was made. On the day two of the meeting presentation of proposals for funding was made by various NSC coordinators. In April 2018, a call for proposals was circulated within the National Scientific Committees for developing further the scientific knowledge in each field. The proposals were received and a first round of evaluation was conducted by the National Scientific Counsellor and the Executive Committee. The second round of evaluation through collaborative working through discussions was designed as part of the NSC Conclave on 1st-2nd September 2018. A self-evaluation checklist was developed to help the NSCs streamline and detail their proposals along with budgets for examination by the Executive

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CASE STUDIES FOR PREPARATION OF A DETAILED FORMAT, DATABASE & INVENTORY OF INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE WITHIN CULTURAL ROUTES

PROJECT PROPOSED BY - NSC CULTURAL ROUTES

PROJECT & NSC COORDINATOR:
Ms. Rudhama Bajaj

COLLABORATING PARTNERS:

- 1) NSC-CULTURAL LANDSCAPES:

PROJECT COORDINATOR:
GSV. Shyampranayana Murthy

- 2) NSC-INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE:

PROJECT & NSC COORDINATOR:
Dr. Manjilini Atray

- 3) NSC-HERITAGE DOCUMENTATION:

PROJECT & NSC COORDINATOR:
Bikramjit Chakraborty

NSC PROJECTS COORDINATED BY NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COUNSELLOR MS KIRAN JOSHI

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“Developing a Thematic Framework - Issues concerning the Recognition, Identification and Conservation of Pre-Independence 20th Century Heritage of India”

PROJECT PROPOSED BY - NSC20C

PROJECT COORDINATOR:
Ms. Annabel Lopez

COLLABORATING PARTNERS:

- 1) NSC-SHARED BUILT HERITAGE:

PROJECT & NSC COORDINATOR:
Ms. Shritpa Jain

- 2) NSC-RISK PREPAREDNESS:

PROJECT & NSC COORDINATOR:
Ms. Poojam Verma Mascarenhas

- 3) NSC-ARSAH:

PROJECT COORDINATOR:
Ms. Nirvya Iyer

NSC PROJECTS COORDINATED BY NATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COUNSELLOR MS KIRAN JOSHI

Committee. The checklist was discussed with the members present and was unanimously adopted. During the NSC Conclave 12 NSCs namely Cultural Routes, Cultural Tourism, Earthen Architectural Heritage, Fortifications and Military Heritage, Heritage Documentation, Historic Towns and Villages, Intangible Cultural Heritage, International Training Committee, Risk Preparedness, Shared Built Heritage, 20th Century Heritage, Theory and Philosophy of Conservation and Restoration made presentations of the submitted proposals. The members requested for two weeks' time to further develop the proposals and resubmit the same.

On receiving the updated proposals, ICOMOS India provided the seed grants for two collaborative NSC Research Projects. One of the approved collaborative NSC Research Project is 'Case Studies for Preparation of a Detailed Format, Database & Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage within Cultural Routes'. The project is being spearheaded by NSC Cultural Routes with NSC Cultural Landscapes, NSC Intangible Cultural Heritage and NSC Heritage Documentation as the collaborating NSCs. The other approved collaborative NSC Research Project is 'The Recognition Identification and Conservation of Pre-Independence 20th Century Heritage of India: Developing a Thematic Framework on the Issues'. The project is being spearheaded by NSC 20C with NSC Shared Built Heritage, NSC Risk Preparedness and NSC ARSAH as the collaborating NSCs.

GA SCIENTIFIC SYMPOSIUM "HERITAGE AND DEMOCRACY PUBLICATION

ICOMOS India was the proud host of the 19th triennial General Assembly in Delhi, India from 12th – 15th December, 2017. More than 1,500 delegates from around the world and various fields of specialization (archaeologists, architects, urban planners, engineers, curators, building conservation professionals, art historians) attended the events. ICOMOS General Assembly 2017 and the Scientific Symposium on the theme of "Heritage & Democracy" was an opportunity for heritage professionals and enthusiasts from around the world to come together on a common platform and deliberate on this



very important topic in India which is the world's largest democracy. The event offered a unique opportunity to promote international co-operation and strengthen understanding and communication in the field of heritage. The fundamental idea of the Symposium was inspired by a recent global shift in heritage discourse towards a sincere people-centric engagement.

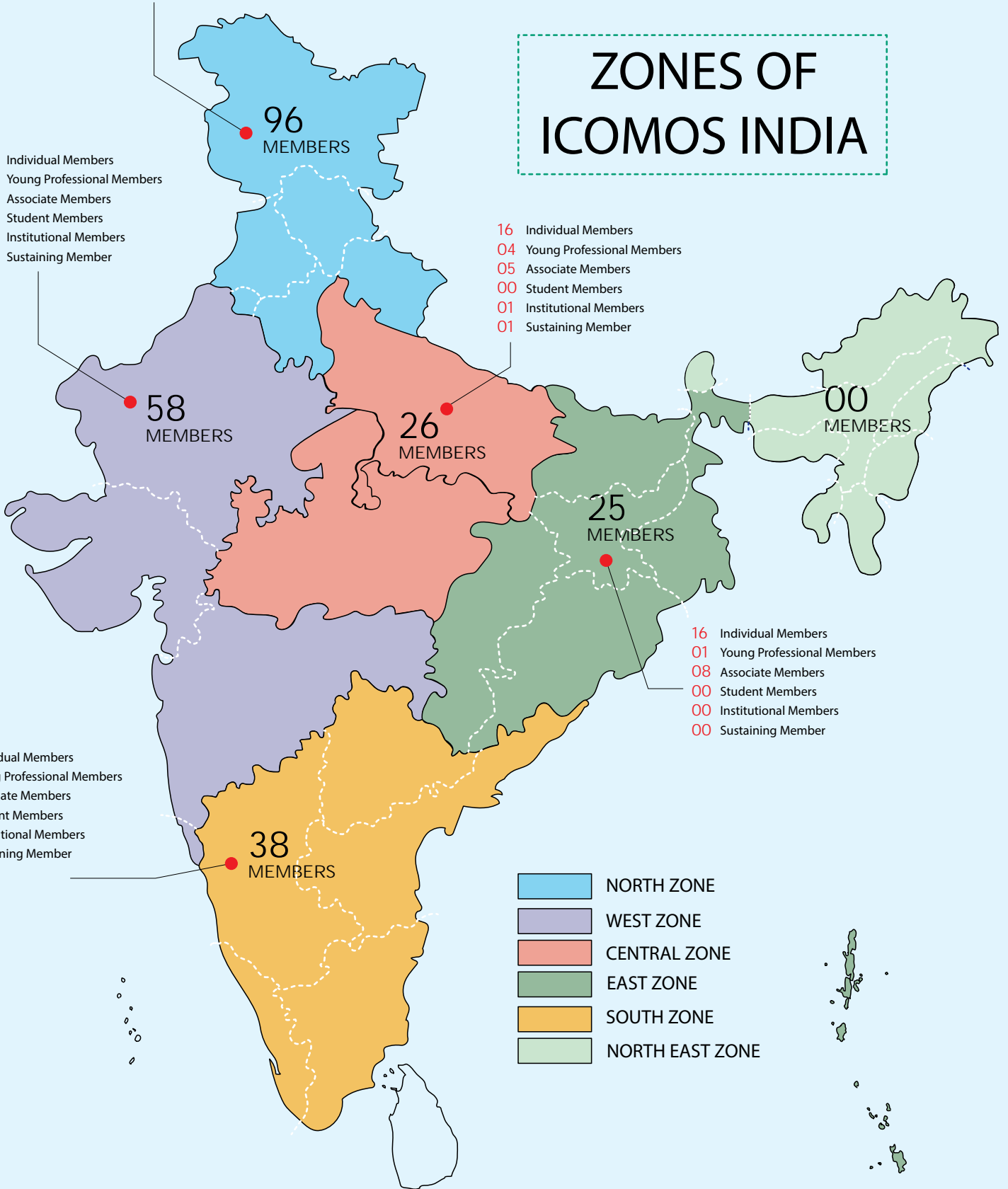
The ICOMOS Scientific Symposium 2017 explored the possibilities for cultural heritage in a domain of multiple stakeholders, recognizing the challenges of cultural diversity and resulting contestations amidst local and/or global communities. The editing of the final papers presented as part of the symposium was undertaken by the Executive Assistant Ms Smita Babar under the guidance of the Symposium Co-Chair Ms Nupur Prothi Khanna. The final papers are available at the ICOMOS International website at this link: <https://www.icomos.org/en/about-icomos/governance/general-information-about-the-general-assembly/list-of-general-assemblies/future-annual-general-assemblies-2016-2017/49783-19th-general-assembly-2017-results-of-the-scientific-symposium>

- 57 Individual Members
- 11 Young Professional Members
- 25 Associate Members
- 01 Student Members
- 02 Institutional Members
- 00 Sustaining Member

ZONES OF ICOMOS INDIA

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- 20 Young Professional Members
- 08 Associate Members
- 01 Student Members
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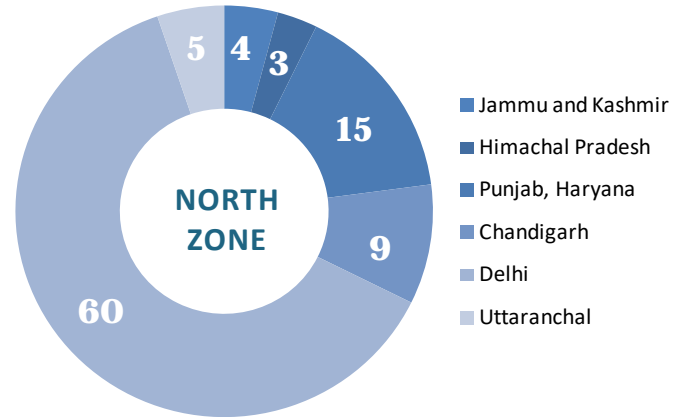
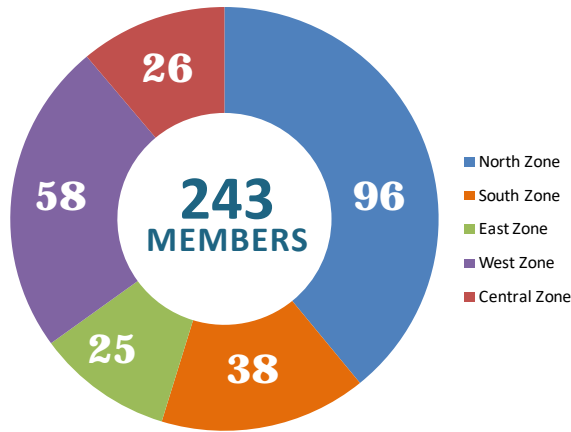
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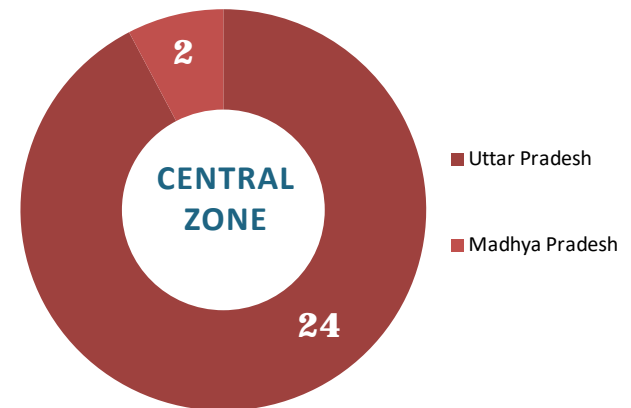
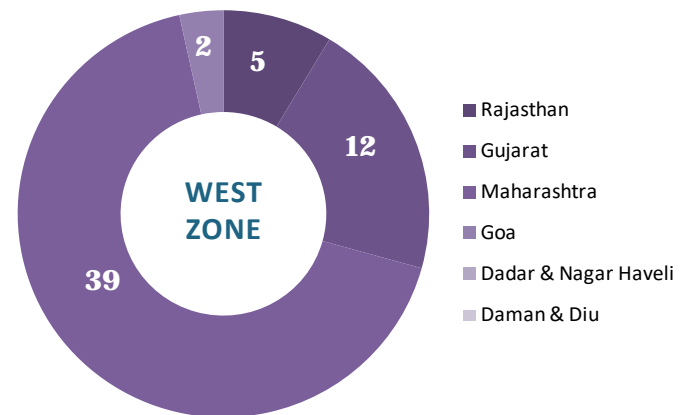
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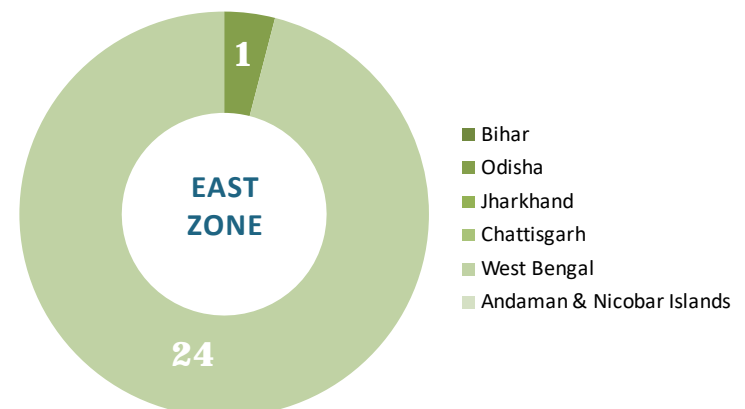
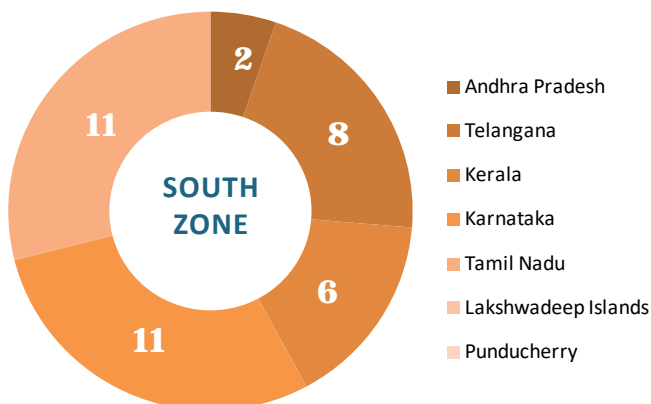


ICOMOS INDIA MEMBERSHIPS

The online membership renewal and member application procedure put in place by the Secretariat in 2018 streamlined the entire process of memberships. A call for new memberships and membership renewals was circulated on the ICOMOS India Listserv as well as prominently displayed on the newly designed and upgraded ICOMOS India website. A dedicated social media campaign was run to widely circulate the call for new memberships and reach out to a larger audience having interest in heritage conservation. Regular updates on the social media platforms of ICOMOS India, the Facebook page and group, Twitter and Instagram were posted. As a result ICOMOS India was able to reach out to a wider audience and several new members joined the growing family of ICOMOS India. The membership profile for the year 2018 and 2019 is given below:



PARTICULARS	2018	2019
Total Number of Members of COMOS	239	243
Individual Members	139	132
YPMs	50	45
Associate Members	28	56
Student Members	17	3
Institutional Members	5	6
Sustaining Members	0	1







AWARD OF GRANTS

The Secretariat coordinated the award of two grants, WII Symposium Participation Grant and NSC Research Proposal Grant, during the year 2018-19. ICOMOS India collaborated with the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) for the Culture-Nature Journey Workshop and Symposium titled 'A Culture-Nature Journey: Beyond Borders in Asia and the Pacific' organized at the Wildlife Institute of India at Dehradun from 24-25th October, 2018. As part of the collaboration ICOMOS India supported the travel of two international experts Mr Scott Perkin and Dr Susan McIntyre-Tamwoy for the symposium and WII in turn extended complimentary free symposium registration, accommodation and conference material to 10 ICOMOS India members for two days thereby an amount of around INR 10000 each was extended as grant to 10 ICOMOS India members on a first cum first serve basis. Following is the list of the ICOMOS India members who received the registration grant.

The Secretariat also coordinated the NSC Research Proposal Grant awarded by ICOMOS India for the year 2018-19. On receiving the final NSC Research proposals, ICOMOS India provided the seed grants for two collaborative NSC Research Projects 'Case Studies for Preparation of a Detailed Format, Database & Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage within

WII CULTURE NATURE SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPATION GRANT		
Name of Members	Membership Number	Status
Priyanka Singh	IND 18833	Accepted
Siddhanjan Raychaudhuri	IND 15944	Accepted
Saumya Tripathi	IND 19916	Accepted
Anisha Patel	IND 15891	Declined
Suvarna Jain	IND 21830	Accepted
Nityaa Iyer	IND 15947	Declined
Komal Poddar	IND 17493	Accepted
Shaoni Pramanick	ST/2018/024	Accepted
Debarati Pal	ST/2018/012	Accepted
Rishabh Kundra	ST/2018/018	Accepted
Smita Babar	IND 34863	Accepted
Anjali Krishnan Sharma	ASC/2018/137	Declined

Cultural Routes' and 'The Recognition Identification and Conservation of Pre-Independence 20th Century Heritage of India: Developing a Thematic Framework on the Issues'. Financial Agreement documents were signed with each of the participating NSC to facilitate the disbursement of the seed grant. Following is the list of the ICOMOS India NSCs that have received the Research Proposal Grant for the year 2018-19.

NSC RESEARCH PROPOSAL GRANT					
S.N.	Name of Research Proposal	NSC		Project Coordinator	Grant Amount
1.	Case Studies for Preparation of a Detailed Format, Database & Inventory of Intangible Cultural Heritage within Cultural Routes	Lead NSC	NSC Cultural Routes	Ridhima Bajaj	INR 25,000
		Collaborating Partners	NSC Cultural Landscapes	Mr GSV Suryanarayan Murthy	INR 25,000
			NSC Intangible Cultural Heritage	Ms Mrinalini Atrey	INR 25,000
			NSC Heritage Documentation	Mr Bikramjit Chakraborty	INR 25,000
2.	The Recognition Identification and Conservation of Pre-Independence 20 th Century Heritage of India: Developing a Thematic Framework on the Issues	Lead NSC	NSC 20C	Ms Annabel Lopez	INR 25,000
		Collaborating Partners	NSC Shared Built Heritage	Ms Shilpa Jain	INR 25,000
			NSC Risk Preparedness	Ms Poonam Verma Mascarenas	INR 25,000
			NSC ARSAH	Ms Nitya Ayer	INR 25,000

FORMULATION OF STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE AND GUIDELINES (SOPG) FOR ICOMOS INDIA

The entire process of formulating the Standard Operating Procedure and Guidelines (SOPG) has been a participatory process which was started in April 2014. The decision for preparing a separate document on Operational Procedures was communicated via email dated 28th Oct, 2014. Followed by the constitution of a working group on 10th December, 2014. The call for volunteers was sent out to members on Listserv on 3rd May, 2015 by Ms Vanicka Arora (Treasurer) on behalf of the Executive Committee. The process for the current draft SOPG document was started in March 2018 and several rounds of deliberations were held with COMOS members at the zonal level coordinated by the Zonal Representatives namely Ms Shalini Dasgupta (North Zone Representative), Mr Pankaj Modi (South Zone

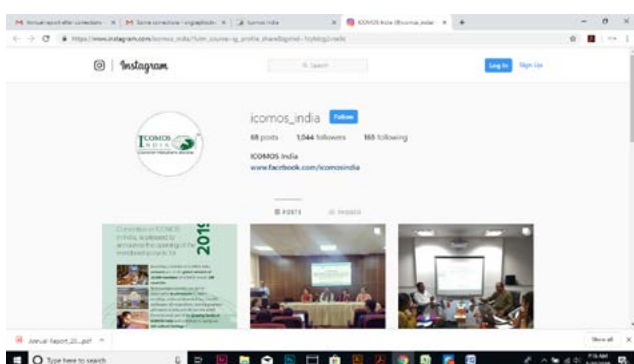
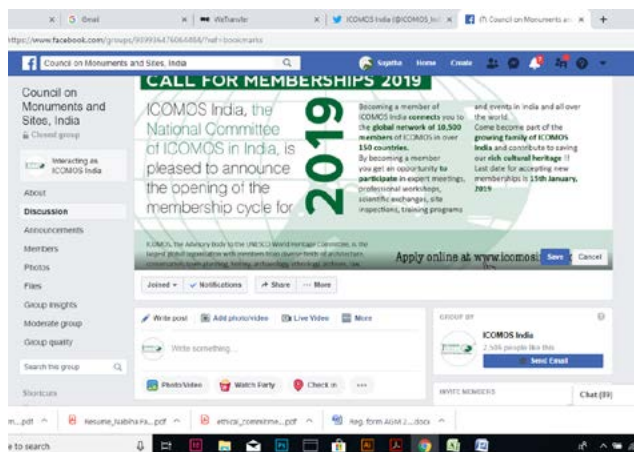
Representative), Ms Ananya Bhattacharya (East Zone Representative), Ms Poonam Trambadia (West Zone Representative) and Mr Ajay Khare (Central Zone Representative).

All the comments from the members in each zone were incorporated and discussed in the Annual Meeting dated 16th June, 2018 at Ahmedabad. The second round of consultation on the document was done on 1st July, 2018 at Delhi in the presence of our Company Secretary and Legal Advisor Mr Pranav Kumar of M/s Alacrity Corporate Solutions Pvt. Ltd. The third round of consultation on the document and its policies were undertaken during the NSC Conclave on 1st September, 2018. The fourth round of consultation was undertaken wherein all the draft documents were put up on the website of COMOS <http://www.icomosindia.com> on 1st January 2019 seeking feedback from members before it could be officially adopted.

S.N.	Particulars	Timeline	Member Participation
1.	First Draft Operational Guidelines	29 th April 2014	Circulated by Rohit Jigyasu, President ICOMOS India on behalf of Ex Com
2.	Working Group for Operational Guidelines	10 th December 2014	Comprising of Nitin Sinha (Coordinator), Yaaminey Mubayi (Ex Com Representative), Vanicka Arora (Ex Com Representative), Bina Gandhi Deori, Shilpa Jain, Rajesh Agarwal, Yogesh Kumar, Gauri Shiurkar and Sangeeta Bais
3.	Draft V1 Circulated on Listserv	March 2018	Circulated by Urvashi Srivastava, Secretary ICOMOS India on behalf of Ex Com
4	Consultation with members via Zonal Representatives	March – April 2018	Coordinated by Shalini Dasgupta (North Zone Representative), Pankaj Modi (South Zone Representative), Ananya Bhattacharya (East Zone Representative), Poonam Trambadia (West Zone Representative) and Ajay Khare (Central Zone Representative)
5	Consultation 01 at AM	16 June 2018	Presided by Gurmeet S Rai, Vice President, ICOMOS India
7	Consultation 02 at AGM	1 July 2018	Presided by Gurmeet S Rai, Vice President & Officiating President, ICOMOS India
6	Consultation 03 at NSC Conclave	1 September 2018	Presided by Gurmeet S Rai, Vice President & Officiating President, ICOMOS India
7	Draft V2 circulated and uploaded on ICOMOS Website for Consultation	1 January 2019	Circulated by Urvashi Srivastava, Secretary ICOMOS India on behalf of Ex Com
8	Final Consultation 04 AGM 2019	21 June 2019	To be presided by Gurmeet S Rai, Vice President & Officiating President, ICOMOS India

OUTREACH AND SOCIAL MEDIA INTERFACE

In a policy of being inclusive and developing a strong relationship with its members, ICOMOS India in addition to its Listserv has further value-added its communication with its members via the social media



platform. Regular updates and reporting is done on the Facebook group and page for ICOMOS India (1260 subscribers), twitter and Instagram. Posters for upcoming events are shared across all the social media platforms. In order to reach out to more

heritage professionals and people with a keen interest and work in heritage related domains a social media campaign was run on Facebook and Google which generated a lot of interest and new memberships for ICOMOS India.

UPGRADED ICOMOS INDIA WEBSITE

The ICOMOS India website with the domain address www.icomosindia.com has been completely upgraded with a customized user interface based on CMS. The site is fully responsive to reach to tablet and mobile audience with increased visibility in search engines.



The website now has an easy user friendly interface design and navigation. In addition at the back end there is an administration tool where the authorized administrator can edit the site and update the portal. The other highlights of the website are:

- Attractive site and page layout, responsive, easy to use, flexible navigation and search function
- Online ICOMOS India membership database for professionally managed memberships
- Integration with online payment gateway and integration of the same with the online membership database
- Individual profile page for members only
- Profile and discussion board for each NSC
- Social Media integration with the website
- Creation of an emailing list management system that allows creation, management, and control of the members group electronic mailing list
- Creation of ICOMOS India domain email IDs for Executive Committee and other position holder in the organization
- Provisions for backup/ restore plan for the website.

ONLINE PAYMENT GATEWAY

An online payment gateway powered by CCAvenue has been integrated with the ICOMOS India website to facilitate effortless payment of membership fees by members. This mechanism is integrated with the membership application form of each member and has made the entire process of accounting of membership fees effortless and hassle free.

OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION PROTOCOL

For the past several years the Executive Committee members of ICOMOS India were using their personal email IDs for official communication. In the year April 2018 it was decided by the Executive Committee to create official email IDs for all its elected and nominated members including Executive Committee members, the NSC Counsellor and the Coordinators of 21 NSs. Since the website was in the process of upgradation, in the interim, official email IDs on gmail were created and are currently being used by the respective members. Very soon official email IDs on the domain address of ICOMOS India will be created and all official email communication will move to the email IDs created for each of the elected and nominated posts. This will significantly contribute to creation of institutional memory and smooth functioning of the organization

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

Appointment of Executive Assistant

In January 2018, the Executive Assistant Ms Aishwarya Das resigned from her post. An advertisement was placed on social media in February 2018 and 8 applications were received for the post. Three applicants were shortlisted and interviewed in response to the expression of interest Ms Shefali Nayak, Ms Smita Babar and Ms Swaleha Rehman. The Executive Committee first offered the position to Ms Shefali Nayak, who declined the offer and the same was extended to Ms Smita Babar. Smita took on the post from 1 April 2018. On 14 September 2018, Smita Babar resigned from her post and was succeeded by Ms Sujatha Prasad on 15th December 2018. Ms Sujatha Prasad has engaged with the works of ICOMOS India in the past as she was appointed by

MILESTONES ACHIEVED

The year 2018-19 witnessed a lot of work at the Secretariat. While much of the time went in consolidating the work of the previous years and sorting out administrative, membership and financial matters including statutory compliances some significant achievements were made in the area of scientific work as well. The milestones achieved are summarized as follows:

- Closure of all accounting work related to the 19th Triennial General Assembly and Scientific Symposium in New Delhi in December 2017
- The 4th Annual General Meeting of ICOMOS India (COMOS) was organized on 30th June, 2018 at Delhi
- The National Scientific Committee Symposium was held on 1st and 2nd September, 2018 at Delhi
- Final editing of the GA Scientific Symposium "Heritage and Democracy Publication"
- Award of two grants, WII Symposium Participation Grant and NSC Research Proposal Grant
- Coordination of the formulation of Standard Operating Procedure and Guidelines (SOPG) for ICOMOS India
- Upgraded ICOMOS India website and creation of online database of members
- Integration of an online payment gateway powered by CCAvenue with the ICOMOS India website to facilitate online payment of membership fees
- Development of online renewal process for Memberships. All membership related work completed by 31 March 2019 and cards dispatched with a welcome letter from the Officiating President Ms Gurmeet Rai and receipt of the membership fee paid.
- Selection and appointment of Executive Assistant

ICOMOS India for certain activities related to outreach and brand building for the 19th Triennial General Assembly.

Retirement of Mrs H.N Minhas, Secretarial Assistant

Mrs Harnarinder Minhas had been working part time as the Secretarial Assistant since 2014 with ICOMOS India. Post the General Assembly (GA) owing to the excessive quantum and complexity of work related to closing the GA books as well as her personal circumstances, Mrs Minhas requested for retirement in May 2018. Mrs Minhas was relieved from her position on 31st July 2018.

Appointment of NSC Counsellor

Dr Shikha Jain, NSC Counsellor resigned from the post on 31st August 2018 citing inability to provide adequate time for the work of the Counsellor. Prof Kiran Joshi was appointed as the NSC Counsellor by the Executive Committee on 20th October 2018. In the interim the Secretariat undertook the work of coordinating with the NSC coordinators, drawing up the financial agreements and organizing the NSC Conclave.

Resignation of President

Dr Rohit Jigyasu, President ICOMOS India formally resigned from the position of the President ICOMOS India on 11 January 2019 on account of his relocating to the UAE and taking up a full time assignment with ICCROM, Sharjah. As per the provisions of the MoA of COMOS, Ms Gurmeet S Rai, Vice President took on the role of the officiating President until elections for the vacant post to be held in May-June 2019.

Resignation of South Zone Representative

Mr Pankaj Modi, South Zone Representative resigned from his post on 4th October 2019 citing personal reasons. The Executive Committee appointed Mr Gullapalli SV Surya Narayana Murthy on 24th October 2018 as the Interim South Zone Representative until elections for the vacant post to be held in May-June 2019.

Resignation of Central Zone Representative

Mr Ajay Khare, Central Zone Representative resigned from his post on 10th April 2018 citing personal health reasons and inability to continue further. The Executive Committee appointed Mr Navneet Raman on 1st August 2018 as the Interim Central Zone Representative until elections for the vacant post to be held in May-June 2019.

Appointment of Institutional Member Representative in India ICOMOS

Srishti Institute of Art, Design and Technology was elected in 2017 to represent the Institutional Members of ICOMOS India in the Executive Committee. The Institute was being represented in the Executive Committee by Dr. Shweta Srivastav Associate Dean, School of Law, Environment and Planning and Coordinator, UNESCO Chair in Culture, Habitat and Sustainable Development, Faculty, School of Advanced Studies and Research. The Institute on 15th May 2019 nominated Dr Vidhu Gandhi the Coordinator, UNESCO Chair in Culture, Habitat and Sustainable Development to represent Srishti in the Executive Committee of ICOMOS India.

Extension of Rent agreement

ICOMOS India's rental agreement for the present office space at 623 A, Somdutt Chambers II, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi 110066 was extended for a period of 1 year starting August 2018.



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ZONAL ACTIVITY REPORT

01 NORTH ZONE

WORLD HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATIONS, 18TH APRIL 2018

The World Heritage Day was celebrated by ICOMOS North Zone members. The Young Professional Members of ICOMOS North Zone held a workshop on 'Inter Generational Heritage' in association with the North Zone institutional member - Sushant School of Art & Architecture, Gurgaon. The workshop was held at the historic site of Badshapur Bawli to initiate and explain the concept of Conservation and Saving heritage to the young children and the local community of Badshapur village.



02 WEST ZONE

ANNUAL MEETING AND SYMPOSIUM 16TH & 17TH JUNE 2018

A two day meeting was held at Ahmedabad on 16th and 17th June 2018. More than 50 members from various zones attended the meeting. Representative Members of each zone of ICOMOS India and 12 NSCs presented their previous year's activities and proposed future activities and new working groups were created. There was a detailed discussion on the SOPG to be adopted by the members.


On Day 2, a symposium was organised on the theme of Heritage Cities in India on the 17th June, 2018 in Ahmedabad supported by Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation, Ahmedabad and Gujarat Pavitra Yatradham Vikas Board, Gandhinagar. Center for Heritage Management, Ahmedabad University was the institutional partner for the event. As a Part of the



Symposium, Heritage Walk was conducted by the Gujarat Pavitra Yatradham Vikas Board to explore the sacred quarters of the Heritage City of Ahmedabad. The focus of the event was Heritage Cities of Tomorrow, Discourse on Conservation, Development and Management Connect. As a part of the symposium a two-day long exhibition of poster presentations on the various sub themes of the symposium, a heritage walk on the sacred quarters of Ahmedabad and various presentations on the respective themes were organized.

The keynote speech was delivered by Prof. Amareshwar Galla, an internationally renowned Author, Museum Curator and Consultant. It was followed by the speech delivered by Shri P. K. Ghosh (Chairman, Heritage Conservation Committee) and Mr. S. D. Solanki (Joint Director of Yatradham Vikas Board). As a Part of the Symposium, a Students' Competition was organized for students all around India from the field of Conservation, Architecture, History, Planning and other allied fields related to Heritage based on the five subthemes of the symposium. Enthusiastic response was received

CALL FOR POSTERS
OPEN FOR ALL STUDENTS



A SYMPOSIUM ON

HISTORIC CITIES OF TOMORROW

Discourse on Conservation, Development and Management Connect

Theme of the Symposium:
Indian Historic cities are unique cultural repositories and these cities are increasingly at risk due to urbanization pressures, and inadequate protection and management. With the concept of Heritage encompassing the urban, cultural and intangible, a whole new range of opportunities and issues have opened up to create the balance between history and development.

Sub Themes:

1. Memories and Spaces in Historic Cities
2. New Infrastructure in Historic Cities
3. Sacredness and Communities in Historic Cities
4. Urban Management of Historic Cities
5. Engaging the Youth in Historic Cities



Timeline:
Submission deadline: 1st June 2018 (soft copies)
Selection and confirmation: 7 Days
Submission hard and soft copies: 11th June 2018
Dates for display: 16th & 17th June 2018

Guidelines for Posters:
The poster may be submitted as an individual entry or in a team of maximum 3 student members of the intra or inter-institutes.
The poster should be designed in the given format in ICOMOS poster pptx format without changing its size and layout.
The content and colour scheme can be chosen by the author.
The final posters are to be submitted in hard copies of standard size of A1 594mm wide x 841mm, portrait format, with high resolution to ensure clarity.
The format can be downloaded from <https://drive.google.com/file/d/16ztk75WVFVGP4UWGMJSYBHcTYJE8HkYA/view?usp=sharing>

Submission:
Email your submissions or inquiries to westzone.icomosindia@gmail.com with AGMPPoster in the subject line.

Venue for the Symposium:
Ahmedabad University Central Campus, GICT Building, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad
June 17, 2018 1:45 PM to 7:00 PM

Non ICOMOS India members please register to confirm your attendance for the Symposium on the following link: <https://goo.gl/forms/IDNAUy7VUHgWQDk1>
Email enquiries to westzone.icomosindia@gmail.com with AGMPReg in the subject line

from students of colleges and universities specially from Ahmedabad, Chandigarh and Surat. An open discussion was held with public at the final session of the symposium. Various interesting subjects were taken up for discourse. Ms. Gurmeet Rai, also presented the ICOMOS Delhi Declaration on Heritage concerns from Indian Perspective during the discussion.

TEACHER'S TRAINING WORKSHOP 27TH OCTOBER- 2ND NOVEMBER 2018

This Faculty Development Programme was conducted at Anant National University (ANU) from 27th November -2nd November 2018. It was targeted for architecture faculties of different affiliations (architects, engineers, historians, etc) to understand the various aspects of a historic/heritage structure/building through various documentation techniques and empower them to orient students further their knowledge and understanding of these historic structures not only for conservation but for sympathetic insert, harmonious addition, adaptive reuse/design development.

The workshop was conducted by Council of Architecture (COA) at the Anant National University (ANU), an institutional member of ICOMOS India. The workshop was undertaken in the form of various modules based on varied aspects of conducting and teaching Documentation techniques of the historic structures. ICOMOS India members Shikha Jain, Navin Piplani, Ashish Trambadia, Shalini Das Gupta, Kailash Rao and Poonam Trambadia participated in the programme and conducted seminars, lectures, interactive sessions, individual and group participatory exercises

CHM- AHMEDABAD UNIVERSITY PANEL DISCUSSION AND SESSION: 16TH DECEMBER 2018

A panel discussion was held as a part of the concluding session to the 2nd International conference of Heritage Management Education and Practices, CHM Ahmedabad University Ahmedabad. The main theme of the panel was the discussions on the Title of the world heritage city for Ahmedabad, the meaning of it, what has AMC already done after the status and the way forward. The Key note speaker was the head of Dr Weber Nodoro, Director General, ICCROM and ICOMOS, India was represented by the Ms Poonam Trambadia.

BHAVNAGAR HERITAGE FEST- 22ND MARCH 2019

ICOMOS India was invited to the Festival of Bhavnagar to create awareness regarding Heritage to the citizens of Bhavnagar and to make the Heritage enthusiasts in the city aware about ICOMOS and its activities. West zone member Chirasree Thakkar was instrumental in organizing the event. ICOMOS India was also represented by Poonam Trambadia who gave a brief presentation regarding the role and activities of ICOMOS India.

03 EAST ZONE

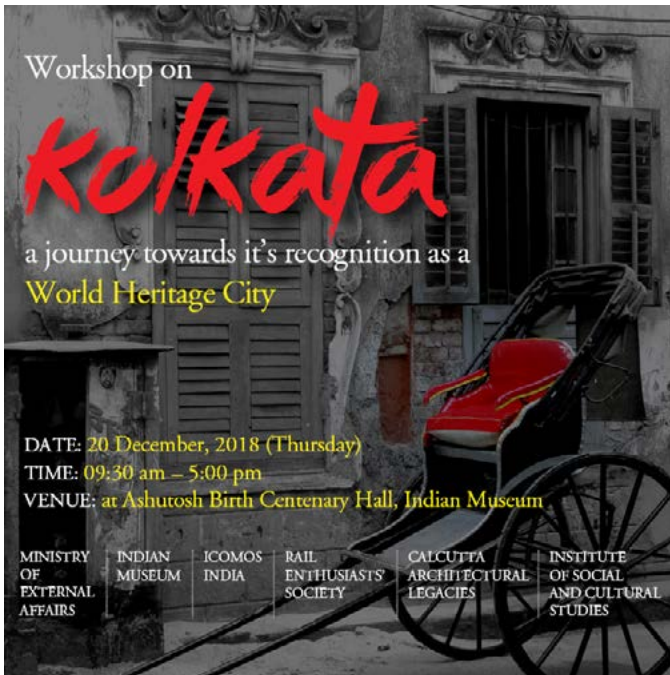
KOLKATA - A JOURNEY TOWARDS IT'S RECOGNITION AS A WORLD HERITAGE CITY 19TH NOVEMBER 2018 & 20TH DECEMBER 2018

In 2018, ICOMOS India members participated in colloquium and meetings deliberating on the way forward to conserve Kolkata City's heritage. The colloquium "KOLKATA- a journey towards it's recognition as a World Heritage City" was held at the Indian Museum on 19th November 2018 as part of World Heritage Week events. Organization and stakeholders like the Indian Museum, Calcutta Architectural Legacies, ASI, Victoria Memorial, ICOMOS India, Institute of Social and Cultural Studies, INTACH, BAUL, Ministry of Railways, Ministry of External Affairs etc. It was decided that meetings and other activities will be planned to engage



different stakeholders and the communities of this great metropolis in accomplishing conservation of the City's heritage. This was followed by another meeting with a set of stakeholders to identify different Heritage Zones of Kolkata. ICOMOS India was represented by Ms Ananya Bhattacharya.

Following this another larger day long colloquium was held on 20th December 2018 at Ashutosh Birth



Centenary Hall, Indian Museum in which various stakeholder will deliver their presentation in the field of their interest pertaining to “KOLKATA- a journey towards its recognition as a World Heritage City”. ICOMOS India members Dr. Sanghamitra Basu and Dr. Dhriti Ray Chaki presented, Aishwarya Tipnis, Kamal Banerjee, Akhil Sarkar, Indrani Sarkar, Sandeep Nowlakha and Ananya Bhattacharya participated. Altogether there were more than 50 participants. Discussions were held on what, why and how Kolkata can be nominated for Heritage City. ICOMOS India supported the lunch for the event.

MEETING WITH HERITAGE WALK ENTHUSIASTS- 12TH DECEMBER 2018

A meeting was held with organizations and individuals organizing heritage walks on 12 December (Wednesday), 2018. The half day meeting was held at the MEA Branch Secretariat, Kolkata, 2 Ballygunge Park Road. Participants included the members of the informal group formed for taking forward the initiative and around 30 persons involved in heritage walks. Discussions were held on possibility of organizing several heritage walks to create a publicity campaign to create awareness about the movement. The walks would focus on a listing and mapping of the various heritage zones and streets to understand them from the perspective of conservation, sensitisation of the local inhabitants, and eventual preparation of maps and plans for the creation

of heritage management plans for the city’s heritage zones. Rajesh Sen of CAL will coordinate for inputs on heritage zones. A plan was drawn up on engaging young people in doing a survey of heritage building owners as the Heritage Walk organizers shared that building owners are often reticent to acknowledge heritage value of their property.

PARTICIPATION IN WORKSHOP AT BANGLADESH-9TH FEBRUARY 2019

On Saturday, 09 February 2019, the Department of Architecture, Khulna University, with support from ICOMOS Bangladesh, Department of Archaeology, and Bangladesh & UNESCO Dhaka Office, organised an International Seminar-Workshop on Climate Change Impact and Cultural Heritage. Dr. Sanghamitra Basu participated.



The Seminar was held at Journalist Liakat Ali Auditorium, Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose Academic Building, and Khulna University. Dr. Sanghamitra Basu, Professor, Architecture & Regional Planning Department, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur and ICOMOS East Zone member spoke on Climate Change and Cultural Heritage: Issues and Adaptation Options. Sanghamitra visited Bagerhat World Heritage Site, along with archaeologists from Khulna circle and young research scholars and faculty members from Khulna University. Bangladesh and eastern part of India share much in common in terms of history, culture, traditions, and livelihood, heritage resources and threats. During the visit and several interactions, scope for future collaborations between COMOS India and Bangladesh was discussed. These avenues need further exploration.

COLLABORATIONS AND PARTNERSHIPS

Training Programme on Dossier Preparation for Natural World Heritage, Mixed and Cultural Landscapes Nomination of World Heritage Sites; UNESCO Category 2 Centre, Wildlife Institute of India, Dehradun

UNESCO Category 2 Centre (C2C) for World Natural Heritage Management and Training for Asia and the Pacific Region at Wildlife Institute of India (WII),



Dehradun conducted a Training Programme on Dossier Preparation for Natural World Heritage, Mixed and Cultural Landscapes Nomination of World Heritage Sites at WII, Dehradun on 23 October, 2018. It was an intensive one-day training designed to address the challenges of dossier preparation for World Heritage Sites. 15 heritage professionals and researchers participated in the training programme. Resource persons from Ahmedabad University, ICOMOS, DRONAH and UNESCO C2C-WII presented on Outstanding Universal Value, World Heritage criteria, nomination process for natural, mixed and cultural landscape sites. A group exercise and experience sharing session was held with the participants who filled up a sample nomination format with specific case-studies. The training programme was planned to enhance the capacity of young professionals in understanding and contributing to the nomination process of World Heritage Sites.

ICOMOS India supported the event by providing international travel assistance to the international resource people Dr. Susan McIntyre, from ICOMOS and Dr. Scott Perkin, IUCN. WWI, extended complimentary registration to 10 members of ICOMOS India.

Kerala Rescue Initiative

Kerala witnessed unprecedented floods in the month of August, 2018 due to unusually high rainfall during the monsoon season. The Indian government had declared it a Level 3 Calamity, or “calamity of a severe nature”. It was the worst flood in Kerala after the great flood of 99 that happened in 1924. Apart from the huge death toll of over 480, these floods have also caused considerable loss to cultural and natural heritage of Kerala including historic buildings, archaeological sites, vernacular housing, cultural landscapes, museum collections, cultural and religious artefacts and intangible crafts and practices.

ICCROM-ICOMOS India response

Due to severe damage the floods caused to the incredibly rich cultural heritage in the state of Kerala, it was extremely important to take immediate steps



ICOMOS launches initiative to save cultural heritage in Kerala

KUNAL DUTT

New Delhi (PTI): The ICOMOS, a global monument conservation body, has launched an initiative to assess the damage to the rich cultural and built heritage in flood-devastated Kerala and set up an emergency response platform, an official said on Wednesday. The International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) is a prestigious non-government organisation dedicated to promoting the application of theory, methodology and scientific techniques for conservation of architectural and archaeological heritage across the world.

"We launched the Kerala Heritage Rescue Initiative yesterday as the heritage in the flood-ravaged state is indeed damaged. We are also seeking support from the state government, the NDMA (National Disaster Management Authority) and reaching out to local conservation professionals," Vice President, ICOMOS, Rohit Jigyasu told PTI. The initiative also aims at setting up a platform for emergency response to the cultural heritage damaged by the floods in Kerala.

"We have also set up a Facebook page to collect information on the damage to buildings, museum collections, cultural artefacts, libraries, archives, and even intangible heritage," he said. Jigyasu, a conservation and disaster risk management professional, who also holds the post of ICOMOS-India president, said, "Letters have been sent to the Kerala government and various other stakeholders, the response has been positive so far."

Kerala is facing its worst floods in nearly



a century that has left 223 dead in a fortnight and forced over 10 lakh people out of their homes. The Centre has declared this calamity of severe nature. "While in the immediate aftermath of this disaster, rescue and relief are the utmost priority, it is also important to start preparations for assessing the damage and risks to the rich tangible, intangible, movable and immovable heritage that has been adversely affected by these floods, including monuments, historic buildings, museum collections and artefacts of significance to the community," Jigyasu said. He said as recalled in the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, cultural heritage and its protection "helps build resilience" and enhances the ability of the affected population to participate in its own recovery.

"We want to prepare until the humanitar-

ian response phase is over. We will then create a heritage response team and train members to undertake damage assessments and emergency measures," the ICOMOS vice-president said. "Meanwhile, we want to prepare the teams to undertake tasks on ground. After the situation becomes better we will send relevant experts to the affected areas as well," he said. Jigyasu said ICOMOS has also approached various organisations seeking funds to carry out multiple activities as envisioned.

"One of the works includes creation of rapid response team for heritage consisting of architects, engineers, conservators, historians, and all those who are concerned about heritage and willing to give a helping hand," he said.

The ICOMOS-India chief said it has approached the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) to partner in the post-disaster work. Jigyasu said Rome-based ICCROM is an inter-governmental organisation dedicated to the preservation of cultural heritage worldwide through training, information, research, cooperation and advocacy programmes.

"Meanwhile, we are spearheading activities through our local members and associates in Kerala," he said. Kerala is endowed with natural beauty, and is home to a number of iconic forts, palaces and other heritage buildings, which attract a huge number of tourists every year. ICOMOS is also an advisory body to the UNESCO for cultural heritage, in particular for implementation of the World Heritage Convention.

archaeological sites, museum collections, archives, libraries, cultural artefacts and intangible heritage damaged by floods. It was further aimed at facilitating the process of recovery as well as strengthening existing disaster risk management systems. The state of Kerala was geographically divided into Northern, Central and Southern zones and volunteers were assigned to gather data in the respective zones. Also a web based crowdsourcing platform was established along with a Facebook page to collect information on the damage to cultural heritage and map their locations with the help of relevant assessment forms.

From 8-11 October 2018, a workshop on First Aid and Risk Reduction of Kerala's heritage was jointly organised by ICCROM, the Muziris Heritage Project and ICOMOS-India. Panel Discussion on 'Integrating Cultural Heritage in the Overall Disaster Risk Management Planning' on the last date concluded with recommendations on the way forward for the state of Kerala.

World Heritage and Rights-based approaches 2018-2021- Participation of ICOMOS India

Human rights issues have been an integral dimension of UNESCO's mission and work since its establishment. While rights issues are not explicitly mentioned in the 1972 World Heritage Convention, its Strategic Objective "To enhance the role of communities in the implementation of the World Heritage Convention" (commonly known as the '5th C') underscores the need to respect and support communities to be involved in World Heritage processes. The Universal Declaration on Human Rights was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 10 December 1948 and remains the first pillar of rights law and practice. Many States Parties to the World Heritage Convention have cited the Declaration or included its provisions in their basic laws or constitutions, and further human rights covenants, conventions and treaties concluded since 1948 have been built on its principles.

'ICOMOS, IUCN and ICCROM, as Advisory Bodies to the Convention, in consultation with the World Heritage Centre, are collaborating to increase understanding and identify effective approaches to clarifying the



for rescuing, documenting and providing first aid to cultural heritage.

Kerala Heritage Rescue Initiative (KHRI) launched by International Council on Monuments & Sites, India (ICOMOS) and The International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM) brought conservation experts in Kerala together with the help of conservation architect Ms. Surya Prasanth based in Thrissur district in Kerala which was one of the badly affected areas. It was launched to provide emergency response to cultural heritage comprising of historic buildings,

rights dimension in World Heritage work. The goal is to promote the application of “good practice” approaches to rights and their enabling conditions in relation to World Heritage, and to develop and recommend possible tools that would assist our work in the nomination and state of conservation processes, as well as the overall work of the Advisory Bodies, to ensure rights issues are appropriately considered.’

An international working group has been established by ICOMOS Norway through a resolution passed in the General Assembly in 2014 (in Florence). ICOMOS India along with ICOMOS Canada and South Africa supported this initiative (Resolution 18GA 2014 36). The National committees are being encouraged to establish working groups to take this work forward. Encouraging the development of Rights-Based Approaches (RBA), and raising awareness and knowledge of RBA in heritage management; through Capacity building for emerging professionals is an area identified by ICOMOS India for future work. ICOMOS India is in an advanced stage of signing a MoU of ‘Friendship and Cooperation’ with the Jindal University towards this end. The three schools of Jindal University – School of Public Policy, School of Architecture and Design and School of Liberal Arts & Humanities will collaborate with COMOS India to undertake research, develop training materials and work towards policy development in Rights based Approaches in Heritage management. A workshop for brainstorming has been tentatively scheduled for 19th-20th July 2019. The membership of ICOMOS India will be encouraged to participate and engage with the topic in the coming months.

PUBLICATIONS

Seminar Magazine

The Delhi Declaration on Heritage and Democracy as adopted by the 19th General Assembly of ICOMOS in Delhi, in 2017, recognises that democracy is a much needed consideration in the conservation of heritage. As democracy ‘gives both rights and duties to individuals, communities and nations’, it can aid in realizing the shared nature of heritage and, in doing so, guide the conservation of heritage assets in communities, neighbouring countries and larger regions:

‘This Declaration reflects the commitment by ICOMOS to heritage and democracy as key ingredients in a people based approach to sustainable development. Heritage is a fundamental right and responsibility of all. It is a starting point for a meaningful and equitable future that secures and celebrates diversity, social engagement, equality and justice for all cultures.

The Delhi Declaration on Heritage and Democracy, an initiative of ICOMOS India, prepared with the active participation of both the national and international members of ICOMOS has contributed a significant dimension to heritage recognition, conservation and management practice relevant not only to India but as a global document.

Through the initiative of members of ICOMOS India and support of the Seminar magazine, the magazine publication of May 2018 reached out to the larger audience of the academia and readership with the contents of the ‘Delhi Declaration on Heritage and Democracy’ and further explored the theme from the varied perspectives of international heritage and non-heritage practitioners and academics in an effort to provide a platform for much needed dialogue about the idea of heritage, and the ways in which the objective of the declaration can be realised. This issue of the magazine, Number 708, titled ‘Democratizing heritage’ was extremely well received by the readership.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Chandni Chowk Initiative– Support of ICOMOS India for the protection of the urban space

In December 2018 SRDC commissioned a scheme for implementation without seeking statutory permissions, a scheme which misunderstands the central axis and tries to create a physical divide with structures housing utilities placed on the central median of Chandni Chowk. The Execution Plan uploaded on the SRDC site clearly shows the scale of obstruction on the central median which will be created by placement of 23 transformers (3.5 X 4.5 meters each) along with 6 toilets (3.5 x 11.2 meters each), 3 urinal blocks (3.5 x 4.8 meters each), 3 police booths (3.5 x 2.4 meters each), 2 police posts (3.5 x



9.2 meters each) and 2 traffic police booths (3.5 x 2.4 meters each) to be built on the central median.

At this juncture Conservation Architects, Landscape Architects, Urban Designers and Town Planners in the city came together to stop an intervention which would compromise an invaluable component of Delhi's historic city. They believed that this scheme if implemented will result in destruction of the sacrosanct visual and physical axis of this promenade.

Two ICOMOS India members in their individual capacity, AG Krishna Menon and Smita Datta Makhija along with Sujata Kohli, President of Indian Society of Landscape Architects (ISOLA) and Professor Ashok B Lal filed an objection to this 'Chandni Chowk Redevelopment Project' in the Delhi High Court. The High court then ordered SRDC to re-examine the scheme. ICOMOS India supported this effort by sending the objections to this scheme from the Officiating President, ICOMOS India Gurmeet Rai to Delhi Urban Arts Commission (DUAC).

DUAC rejected the proposal to build structures to house utilities on the Central median of Chandni Chowk. A series of meeting followed where individuals and institutional contributions were made to suggest site specific and heritage sensitive solutions to SRDC in the form of drawings three dimensional views and site studies. These are currently under review and will be presented to the honorable Lieutenant Governor Delhi with modification to the current proposal.

The Chandni Chowk initiative has established that heritage sensitive professionals help shape cities and

can collectively contribute to uphold heritage values of Historic components of our cities, Chandni Chowk is a case in point.

100 Day Challenge Sushant School of Architecture

Sushant School of Art and Architecture (SSAA), Ansal University, Gurgaon has been an institutional member of ICOMOS India since 2016. Across year 2018 and 2019, ICOMOS India and SSAA collaborated on marking the World Heritage Day through activities and workshops that linked with the initiatives of SSAA to save lost typologies, namely the Badshahpur Bawdi in 2018 and Kaman Sarai in 2019.



As a part of this collaboration, SSAA and North Zone Young Professional Members (YPM) came together to conduct a workshop on intergenerational heritage at the Government Girls Primary School located adjacent to the Badshapur Bawdi. SSAA Master of Architecture in Built Heritage students (M Arch. BH) SSAA introduced the architectural form, significance and issues faced by the Badshapur Bawdi through a presentation to the audience. This was followed by the launch of 'tippy tippy tap' game for the Bawdi, conceptualised and designed by SSAA. The entire team of SSAA, YPM of North Zone ICOMOS India and students from School of Architecture and planning

(SPA), New Delhi engaged with the young participants from local schools Dr. Vibhuti Sachdev, Dean SSAA took the participants through the various processes of engaging with the Bawdi that were embedded in the design of the tippy tippy tap game. YPM of ICOMOS India and students of SPA performed a skit on water systems of Ahmadnagar, Maharashtra that was very well received by all. Next came community interactions and a participatory game with the children of the community, aimed at exploring the past and future of the Bawdi. An exhibition was put up at the venue that included projects based on the Bawdi undertaken by two elective modules of final year B Arch at SSAA. Masters elective students too worked on the Bawdi project, proposing solutions through humanistic planning that were exhibited as a part of the exhibition, along with work done on water structures by YPM of North Zone ICOMOS India.

Concluding the event, ICOMOS India felicitated Seth Mohan Lal Mangla Government Girls' and SSAA for their contribution in the field of heritage by initiating a '100 Day Challenge to Save the Badshahpur Bawdi'. As an extension of this acknowledgement, ICOMOS India issued a letter of support to SSAA's nomination

of Badshahpur Bawdi to the World Monuments Fund's 2020 Watch Program.

ICOMOS INDIA Representation on Bodies

The Delhi Development Authority has constituted 'Delhi Urban Heritage Foundation' (DUHF) under the Delhi Development Act 1957, with a view to safeguard the built and natural heritage of the city through collaborative effort of all concerned.

The foundation comprises of senior officers of DDA and co-opted members appointed by the honourable Lt Governor of Delhi. Ms Gurmeet S Rai, Vice President, ICOMOS India was co-opted as a member of DUHF on 5th October 2017. Since then she has attended several meetings of the Foundation on important matters of heritage of Delhi. Ms Urvashi Srivastava, Secretary, ICOMOS India & Ms Shalini Dasgupta, co-ordinator North zone Representative are also members of sub committees of DUHF. DDA has expressed the need for involvement of ICOMOS India in policy related matters for heritage in Delhi. This will be established in the coming months.

US ICOMOS International Exchange Program 2019

ICOMOS India in an understanding with US ICOMOS provided letters of recommendation to members of ICOMOS India who had expressed interest to undertake internship in placements provided in the field of cultural heritage by US ICOMOS under the US ICOMOS International Exchange Program 2019. ICOMOS India received four applications which were forwarded to US ICOMOS, Mr Sukrit Sen was selected by US ICOMOS for a placement with National Centre for Preservation Technology and Training, Natchitoches, Louisiana.

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR INTERNS 2019 US ICOMOS International Exchange Program (IEP)

US ICOMOS is seeking graduate students and young professionals (1-3 years of experience) specialized in historic preservation and heritage conservation to participate in the 2019 Summer IEP

Interested candidates kindly submit a curriculum vitae, two letters of recommendation, a 500-word essay describing reasons for wanting to participate in the program and examples of work along with your ICOMOS INDIA membership number

- Please send all the above details at icomosindia@gmail.com by 1st January, 2019. ICOMOS India will send recommendation for shortlisted applications to US ICOMOS
- Deadline for receipt of internship applications by US ICOMOS is 11 January 2019
- Please visit <http://usicomos.org/internship/> for more information

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR HOSTS 2019 US ICOMOS International Exchange Program (IEP)

US/ICOMOS is seeking host organizations, such as non-profits, government agencies, and private firms, who are interested in hosting a US/ICOMOS intern for the 2019 Summer IEP

To become an intern host, please download and read the US/ICOMOS Call for 2019 IEP Hosts and apply

- Deadline for Host applications 4 January 2019
- Please visit <http://usicomos.org/internship/host-organizations/> for more information.





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FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

FISCAL PLANNING FY 2018-2019

The Annual Budget for FY 2018-19 was approved in the Annual General Meeting on 30.06.2018 excluding the item no. F (Zonal & NSC Activity) and G (Scientific Work on the theme of Heritage & Democracy). The approved budget included following heads Capital Expenditure, Salaries, Consultancies, Office Expenses and Membership Fees. The total approved budgeted amount was Rs 19,57,000, however the actual expenditure incurred during FY 2018-19 is Rs 23,64,395.60. The out of budget expenditure has been on account of Zonal Activities & Events, Extra Staff for closure of GA books, payment of previous accountant, Travel Grants for ICOMOS India Members, Professional Consultancies and Compliance (Liabilities etc).

DONATION & SPONSORSHIP RECEIVED FY 2018-2019

The donations and sponsorship of Rs 1,10,000/- received by COMOS in 2018-2019 from Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (Rs.40,000), Gujarat Pavitra Yatra Dham Vikas Board (Rs.70,000) in support of the Annual Meeting & Scientific Symposium in Ahmedabad in June 2018 through the efforts of the West Zone Representative Ms Poonam A Trambadia. COMOS received a grant of Rs 20,000 from Ms Aishwarya Tipnis.

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BALANCE SHEET AS ON 31ST MARCH 2019

PARTICULARS	Notes	As at 31 March 2019	As at 31 March 2018
SOURCE OF FUND			
Corpus Fund			
Opening Balance		10,783,346.64	1,105,171.81
Add: Surplus (Deficit)		(760,406.60)	9,678,174.83
Current Liabilities & Provision			
Audit Fee Payable			
Advance Received for 19th GA ICOMOS			
Other Current Liability	3	100,578.12	488,120.00
Duties and Taxes	4	399,253.51	484,147.57
TOTAL		10,522,771.67	11,755,614.21
APPLICATION OF FUNDS			
FIXED ASSESST			
Laptop		29,606.65	48,000.00
Current Assets			
Trade Receivable	5	26,316.00	1,845,831.00
Cash in hand and cash at Kotak Bank	6	9,009,964.22	9,815,733.17
Duties & Taxes	7	47,450.00	46,050.00
Other Current Assets	8	1,409,434.90	
TOTAL		10,522,771.77	11,755,614.21
Significant accounting policies	2		

As per our Report of even date

For and on Behalf of the Board

For VINAY PANDEY & CO
 Chartered Accountants
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 Membership No.: 511376

Place: DELHI
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Statement for Income & Expenditure

PARTICULARS	Notes	For the year ended 31 March 2019	For the year ended 31 March 2018
INCOME			
Receipt from Donation etc.	9	1,603,989.00	30,896,559.15
Total income		1,603,989.00	30,896,559.15
Expenses			
Employee benefit expense	10	660,561.62	1,353,534.00
Other expenses	11	1,703,833.98	19,864,850.56
Total expenses		2,364,395.60	21,218,384.56
Excess of Income Over Expenditure		(760,406.60)	9,678,174.59
Tax expense :-			
Current tax Provision		-	
Net Surplus		(760,406.60)	9,678,174.59
Significant accounting policies	2		
The notes referred to above form an integral part of the financial statements As per our report attached			

As per our Report of even date

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ANNUAL BUDGET FY 2019-2020

On the basis of the actual expenditure incurred during FY 2018-19, the budget for the FY 2019-2020 is being proposed against Capital Expenditure, Salaries, Consultancies, Office Expenses and Membership Fees. As observed in the AGM of 2017-18, the procedures for the working of the NSC and disbursement of funds have now been put in place by the Secretariat for formalisation of structure and organisation of the NSCs within COMOS. This was institutionalized by setting up a process wherein proposals were invited in a standardized template and the proposals were evaluated and approved in the NSC Conclave which proved to be a huge success. In addition, in response to the call by the International Secretariat for mobilizing young professional members to organize events on the theme of Heritage for Generations, on World Heritage Day in each zone. In addition in order to reach out to the zonal members events and activities were organized in North, East and West Zone. Considering the scientific work, events and activities undertaken in the previous year, the following budget heads proposed to be included in the annual budget FY 2019-2020 are ICOMOS India Research Grants, Zonal Funds, NSC Conclave and YP Events.

BUDGET FOR ICOMOS INDIA 2019-2020				
	CATEGORY	EXPENDITURE DESCRIPTON	DETAILS	AMOUNT
A	CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	Office rental	@29500/- per month	497,436.00
		Maintenance charges	@2000/- per month	
		Office expenses	@5000/- per month	
		Telephone bills	@1000/- per month	
B	SALARIES	Executive Assistant	@40000/- per month	492,000.00
		Cleaner	@1000/- per month	
C	CONSULTANCIES	Accounts and Audits	40000/-	320,000.00
		Yearly accounting	240000/-	
		Legal Expenditure	40000/-	
D	OFFICE EXPENSES	Printing & Stationary	40000/-	350,000.00
		Couriers	30000/-	
		Travel & Conveyance	100000/-	
		Accounting Softwares, Cartridges, etc.	5000/-	
		Miscellaneous	150000/-	
		Contribution to AGM/Events	25000/-	
E	MEMBERSHIP FEES PARIS	Per individual & institutional member for 2019		500,000.00
F	ICOMOS INDIA RESEARCH GRANT	21 NSC	@25000/- per NSC	525,000.00
G	ZONAL FUNDS	5 ZONES	@25000/- per zone	125,000.00
H	NSC CONCLAVE			25,000.00
I	YP EVENTS	5 ZONES	@5000/- per zone	25,000.00
			Total	2,859,436.00



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WAY FORWARD

ICOMOS India since its constitution in 2012 has come a long way in successfully bringing together professionals from diverse disciplines that contribute to the understanding of the complexities of heritage and its conservation in India. ICOMOS India has emerged as a promising platform for voicing the concerns of heritage professionals as well as organizations, institutions and lay persons who have a keen interest in heritage. Organization of the 19th Triennial General Assembly and Scientific Symposium in New Delhi in December 2017 has been a watershed event in the history of the organization bringing together around 1000 heritage professionals as participants and other guests from across the world. On the one hand General Assembly gave an opportunity to showcase the work of the Indian heritage professionals through a well curated exhibition and on the other hand the Scientific Symposium gave several Indian heritage professionals a chance to present their research work on an international platform. The Delhi Declaration adopted at the General Assembly helped put together the Indian perspective on heritage conservation on a international platform. The theme of the Scientific Symposium Heritage and Democracy resonated very well with both the national as well as the international participants.

The momentum gained over the last couple of years has given a new fillip to scientific work within the national scientific committees of ICOMOS India with eight of the scientific committees receiving a grant of INR 25,000 each for carrying out research work. The most significant achievement in this regard has been that the national scientific committees have been able to come together to collaboratively work on a common research project. This will not only help in creating a larger body of knowledge but will also help explore the intersecting areas of interest and bring in the much needed multidisciplinary perspective in research. The two selected national scientific committee research projects will hopefully set a new benchmark and inspire other national scientific committees within ICOMOS India to activate their members and contribute to creating a credible scientific body of knowledge. It is also envisaged that this will encourage ICOMOS India members who have not joined any scientific committee so far

in participating in scientific work and create more opportunities for ICOMOS India members to network and participate actively. It will also encourage new members both experts in their field of specialization as well as upcoming young professionals to join the growing family of ICOMOS India.

It is the endeavor of ICOMOS India to mobilize professionals to collaborate and collectively work towards creating an inclusive policy framework and professional environment for heritage conservation in India. Towards this direction ICOMOS India has made initial headway by reaching out to academic institutions to become its members. Becoming an institutional member of ICOMOS India gives a unique opportunity to academic institutions to tap into the expertise of the ICOMOS India members an opportunity for providing exposure to their student and faculty to heritage matters, collaborate on research projects with scientific committees and with other institutional members. ICOMOS India will continue to expand partnerships for policy work through collaboration with institutions and government bodies.

It has been the constant effort of the Executive Committee of ICOMOS India over the past year to bring in greater transparency and inclusivity in the working of the organization. A number of steps as illustrated in the Annual Report were taken to achieve this. The cumbersome process of membership renewals, new memberships and dispatch of cards to members was streamlined this year and great effort was made to deliver the cards timely to all the members. Next year it is hoped that the process will be much more effortless.

From time to time opportunities are opened for ICOMOS India members to contribute and collaborate. Being a not-for-profit organization ICOMOS India greatly relies on the voluntary contribution of its members for furthering scientific work in the field of heritage conservation. For this ICOMOS India is indeed grateful to all its members and looks forward to their ideas and suggestions. There is however a need to increase the reach of ICOMOS India through memberships.

Apart from the core scientific work ICOMOS India has also pledged itself to awareness building in the field of heritage conservation. It is therefore extremely important to build an interface with laypeople currently working outside the ambit of conservation as much as with heritage professionals. There is a pressing need to reach out to artists, craft persons and people who are engaged with the varied aspects of culture. To this end it is needed that more public interface events be planned in the coming years. Our engagement with the government at multiple levels remains weak. There is therefore a greater need to engage with decision makers in the government to put forth the views of ICOMOS India on matters that concern heritage conservation and thereby timely intervene in matters.

ICOMOS India now stands on a firm platform from where it intends to move forward by forging strong relationships with the Central and the state Governments, research and academic institutions, other not for profit organizations as well as individuals. It is hoped that with the support and active participation of all its members ICOMOS India in the near future will become a more vibrant and dynamic body of heritage professionals whether engaged in private practice, institutional management, policy development, advocacy, research or academia.



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