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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Dr. Rima Hooja

Dear Members,

Annual Reports, like Annual General Meetings, are far more than mere formalities for any organisation. These allow us to review and look back at what was achieved, or needs follow-up. It also gives us the opportunity of planning ahead, taking cues from ICOMOS' International triennial scientific plans and the like, and tweaking them to suit our needs and interest areas. Along with this, we get to formulate a reasonable bucket-list for the short, and even longer, term future of the institution. It's a time for inaugurating changes and fixing things that need fixing (including course corrections). Simultaneously, it is a time to assess and collectively re-envision what we would wish to do, and not do, for the intangible and tangible heritage, monuments, sites, and all associated aspects of the past.

This is our collective responsibility as members of ICOMOS India, and continues to be the collective challenge for all of us, as we work towards the most optimum forms of collective action. Individual action is tangible, and possibly more rewarding to a professional, since working together has its own issues. However, it's the 'Together We Can' attitude that gives any organisation its true strength. Thus, it is through collective effort that ICOMOS India can achieve new milestones and deal with challenges as we move forward.

It gives me immense pleasure to share with you the Annual Report for the year 2023-2024, the Audited Statement of Accounts, and an overview of our organisation's activities. These activities have been possible through the voluntary efforts of ICOMOS India members, and I would like to thank each one of you, as heritage professionals, for carrying forward the objectives of ICOMOS India and strengthening the organization.

During the course of the year we have worked towards better involvement with institutional members and with ICOMOS's International Scientific Committees (ISCs) – one of which will hold its first ever AGM in India later this year. This is the ISC Water Heritage (as already shared with each one of you). Besides this, our Zones, NSCs and Working Groups have held webinars, seminars, trainings, workshops and walks, as you will read further in this Annual Report. The mentorship program needs to be re-started, however, and more action needed for Heritage Alerts /Heritage in danger, across the country – especially – though not solely, for 20th century, industrial and archaeological heritage. Of course, having adequate funds is crucial for any organization – and we welcome suggestions from the entire membership for on this matters.

ICOMOS India, re-established in its present form as COMOS India/ ICOMOS India in 2012, has over 320 members and institutions affiliated with it. The membership, across the zones, have consistently engaged with local, regional, national and international issues, and had a positive impact on heritage related matters in our 11 years of existence. Furthermore, ICOMOS India has increased its strength in various International Scientific Committees (ISCs), with several members holding elected positions as office bearers of their ISCs.

Even as 2024 marks 60 years of the Venice Charter, it will also see UNESCO's World Heritage Committee meet in New Delhi from 21-31 July. ICOMOS India will use the opportunity to participate in some official Side Events in Delhi, and simultaneously, hold exhibitions, workshops and walks in other parts of the country for the nation's citizens and heritage professionals alike.

To conclude, on the occasion of the Annual General Meeting, to be held in hybrid mode (in-person and online) on 29th June 2024, I wish to thank the Executive Committee, NSC Counsellor & Co-Counsellor, NSC Coordinators, Co-Coordinators, Scientific Council and Steering Committee members, Working Group focal and co-focal points, EPWG reps and the full ICOMOS India membership as we research, document, practice, teach, take action, and formulate policies for the protection, conservation and management of monuments, sites, habitat, biosphere and intangible heritage of the country and the world.

Best Wishes,
Rima Hooja, Ph.D
President, COMOS/ICOMOS India

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rima Hooja". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY



Mr. Nitin Sinha

Dear Members,

It gives me great pleasure to co-present along with the President, Ms. Rima Hooja, the Annual Report of ICOMOS India, detailing the activities and achievements for the year 2023-2024. The Annual report encapsulates our members collective efforts in advancing ICOMOS India's agenda and promoting its vision. It puts forth our many accomplishments, possible only because of the integrated nature of our organisation, which brings all people concerned about heritage matters together on one platform. It has been our endeavour to keep the members updated with COMOS news and happenings. We have been consistently sharing news & updates to all the members via our Social Media Platforms and Quarterly Newsletters. The Annual Report is a compilation of our collective efforts and endeavours over the past year.

This year has been particularly significant, marked by the transition to a new Executive Committee. This changeover represents a pivotal chapter as we build upon the foundations laid by our predecessors and strive towards new milestones. Throughout the year, we have organized numerous events including webinars, panel discussions, and collaborative initiatives, engaging our members and stakeholders alike. These efforts have not only enriched our community but also expanded our outreach on a national and global scale.

Every member of ICOMOS India is a Heritage Warrior in his town/ city/ zone / state. The membership is the actual strength of ICOMOS India. It has been our endeavour to empower the membership to undertake activities related to Cultural Heritage in their area of interest through the well-established network of various National Scientific Committees. We have been trying to facilitate and enable scientific dialogue among the members of our fraternity to contribute towards the larger interest of safeguarding our Country's heritage.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all members of ICOMOS India for their unwavering support and dedication. To our new members, I welcome you warmly, encouraging you to bring fresh perspectives and ideas to our organization. We strongly hope that together we will be able to help take ICOMOS India to greater heights.

Behind the scenes, considerable effort has been invested in streamlining our operations and enhancing the efficiency of our secretariat. This administrative groundwork is crucial for the seamless execution of our activities, albeit often unseen by our members.

Special thanks are due to our Executive Committee members, whose voluntary contributions of time, energy, and resources have been invaluable in driving our mission forward and in running this organisation.

As we look ahead, let us unite our thoughts and energies to elevate ICOMOS India's presence and impact globally. Together, we can achieve even greater heights in our shared commitment to heritage conservation.

Best Wishes
Mr. Nitin Sinha
Secretary, ICOMOS India

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AGM 2023
Annual General Meeting

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COMOS IN A WIDER CONTEXT

ABOUT COMOS

Council on Monuments & Sites (COMOS), a non-government organisation, is registered under 'the Societies Registration Act of 1860'. It is acknowledged as the National Committee of International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) in India. The Society provides 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 organisation is linked at the regional and international level with complementary ICOMOS committees and presents the Indian viewpoints that are rooted in specificities of our context, whilst gaining from international experiences. The primary aim and objects of the Society are for the benefit of the general public, as outlined below:

- 1 Conservation, Protection, Rehanilitation and Enhancement** of historical monuments, groups of buildings and sites on the national level.
- 2 Forum for Discussion and Exchange** 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.
- 3 Establish National Scientific 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.
- 4 On World Heritage Matters**, advise the Government on nomination, periodic monitoring, including the conservation and management frameworks for World Heritage Sites.
- 5 Regional Cooperation** 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.
- 6 Advisory Role** to various Government institutions on policy matters in the field of heritage conservation.
- 7 Awareness and Capacity Building for Young Professionals** to facilitate, through its expert members, capacity building and professional training programmes.
- 8 Organise Seminars, Conferences, Discussions and Exhibitions** at the regional and national level to discuss heritage issues relevant to the Society's mandate.
- 9 Heritage Education** to 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.
- 10 Promote Traditional Building Crafts Skills** 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.
- 11 Partnership with Community-based Village Bodies and Institutions** 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.
- 12 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.

STRUCTURE of COMOS



- 65 Individual Members
- 05 Young Professional Members
- 23 Associate Members
- 03 Student Members
- 00 Institutional Members

Zonal Participation of Members

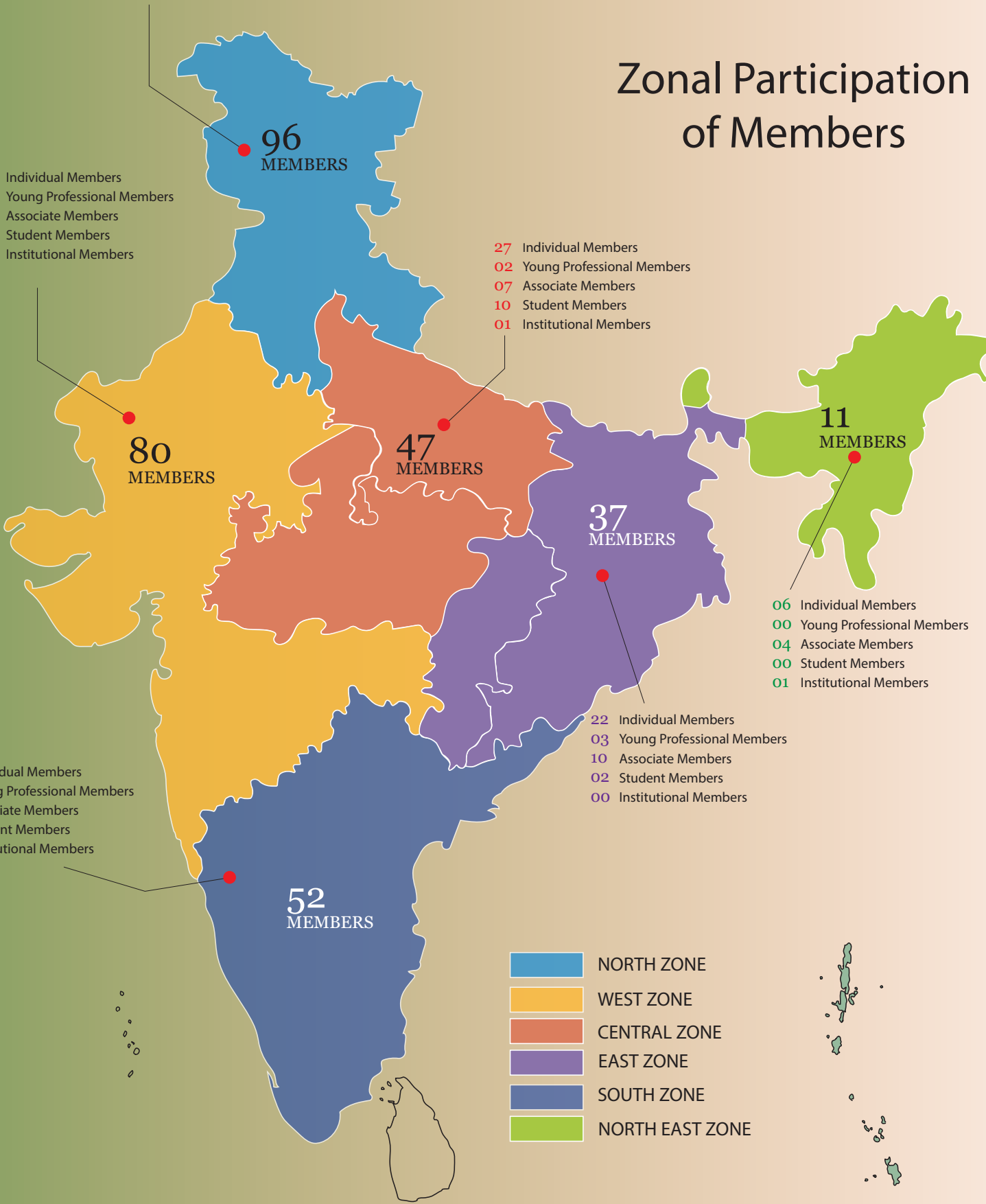
- 50 Individual Members
- 08 Young Professional Members
- 17 Associate Members
- 03 Student Members
- 02 Institutional Members

- 27 Individual Members
- 02 Young Professional Members
- 07 Associate Members
- 10 Student Members
- 01 Institutional Members

- 06 Individual Members
- 00 Young Professional Members
- 04 Associate Members
- 00 Student Members
- 01 Institutional Members

- 24 Individual Members
- 08 Young Professional Members
- 15 Associate Members
- 04 Student Members
- 01 Institutional Members

- 22 Individual Members
- 03 Young Professional Members
- 10 Associate Members
- 02 Student Members
- 00 Institutional Members



- NORTH ZONE
- WEST ZONE
- CENTRAL ZONE
- EAST ZONE
- SOUTH ZONE
- NORTH EAST ZONE





REPORT FROM THE SECRETARIAT



In 2023, an era drew to a close as the Executive Committee of 2020-2023 completed its term, passing the torch to the newly elected Executive Committee for 2023-2026. The transition occurred during the Annual General Meeting held in June 2023. Within the board members, Dr. Rima Hooja, formerly the Vice-President, assumed the role of President, while Ms. Shalini Dasgupta, the Secretary, stepped up as Vice-President. The roles of Secretary and Treasurer welcomed fresh faces as Mr. Nitin Sinha took up the mantle of Secretary, while Ms. Jana Das Chaudhuri assumed the responsibilities of Treasurer. Within the Executive Committee, some members of the previous committee retained their positions, while new faces joined the Executive Committee, signaling a blend of continuity and fresh perspectives. Further details regarding the elections and executive committee members can be found in the Election 2023 Section.

The transition to the New Executive Committee 2023 - 2026 was formalized through a hybrid handover meeting held on 25th June, 2023 facilitating participation from both former and current Executive Committee members, as well as the Secretariat staff.

The newly elected Executive Committee (2023-2026) comprises the following members:

- President - Dr. Rima Hooja
- Vice President - Ms. Shalini Dasgupta
- Secretary - Mr. Nitin Sinha
- Treasurer - Ms. Jana Das Chaudhuri
- North Zone Representative - Ms. Smita Datta Makhija
- East Zone Representative - Mr. Bikramjit Chakraborty
- North East Zone Representative - Mr. Dilip Changkakoty
- South Zone Representative - Mr. GSV Suryanarayana Murthy

- West Zone Representative - Ms. Poonam Trambadia
- Central Zone Representative - Ms. Anuradha Chaturvedi
- Institutional Representative - FoAP, AKTU, Lucknow - Dr. Vandana Sehgal

We would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to the outgoing President, Mr. Navin Pilani; Treasurer, Ms. Priyanka Singh; East Zone Representative, Ms. Ananya Bhattacharya; Central Zone Representative, Mr. Nishant Upadhyay and Institutional Member Representative, Dr. Jigna Desai, for their unwavering support and dedication to ICOMOS India during their tenure.



Throughout the year, ICOMOS India, in collaboration with various zones, institutional partners, National Scientific Committees (NSCs), Working Groups (WGs), and other collaborators, successfully orchestrated a plethora of events. These events spanned both physical and virtual realms, as well as hybrid formats, drawing significant participation from both members and non-members. Activities included the Annual General Meeting of 2023, international and national webinars, panel discussions, publication launches, heritage walks, and numerous other initiatives.

Membership 2024



ICOMOS India is a membership based organization, with the membership process being an integral part of its functioning. Every year we are privileged to maintain our connection with the existing members who renew their membership and at the same time, welcome new members into our fold. The shared enthusiasm of both our longstanding and new members, to contribute to the vision of ICOMOS India is what propels us forward on our journey.

The Membership process for 2024 commenced in September 2023 and unfolded in three cycles, each lasting a month, ending in January 2024. The details of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd cycle of membership are as follows:

1. 1st Cycle - 5.09.2023 to 15.10. 2023
2. 2nd Cycle - 1.11.2023 to 30.11.2023
3. 3rd Cycle - 15.12.2023 to 15.01.2024, extended till 25.01.2024

ICOMOS India welcomed a total of 323 members in 2024 comprising 194 Individual, 76 Associate, 26 Young Professionals, 22 Student and 5 Institutional members. This year saw an influx of many new faces joining this fraternity and several familiar faces renewing their commitment to our cause.

With the collective dedication of our diverse membership base, ICOMOS India remains steadfast in its pursuit of preserving cultural heritage and advancing the field of heritage conservation.

Executive Committee Elections 2023

With the conclusion of the three-year tenure (2020-

2023) of the existing Executive Committee in June 2023, the process to elect the Executive Committee for the next term took place from 8th to 22nd June 2023. Ar. Kalpana Raghavendra was appointed as the Election Officer and Ar. Xavier Benedict was appointed as the Returning Officer. The schedule that was followed for the election is as follows:

26.04.2023	Announcement of Executive Committee Elections
26.04.2023	Announcement of Election Officer and Returning Officer
27.04.2023	Circulation of Notice for Election & Election Schedule
27.04.2023	Display of Voter List (via email and on website)
28.04.2023	Issue of Nomination Form (via email and on website)
28.04.2023 to 15.05.2023 till 06:00 P.M. (IST)	Receipt of Candidate Nominations
28.04.2023 to 19.05.2023	Review of Nomination Forms and preparation of First list of Candidates
20.05.2023	Announcement of List of Nominations Filed (via email and on website)
21.05.2023 to 27.05.2023	Review of list and filing of appeals or objections if any
28.05.2023 to 03.06.2023	Disposal of appeals/objections, if any
04.06.2023	Last date for withdrawal of nomination by candidates
05.06.2023	Announcement of final list of candidates for the various posts (via email and on website).
05.06.2023	Returning officer to notify procedure for e-voting (via email and on website)
08.06.2023	e-voting starts 10.00 am onwards
22.06.2023	e-voting ends 06.00 pm
24.06.2023	Counting of Votes by Returning Officer & Election Officer in presence of Observer at the AGM
24.06.2023	AGM 11.00 – 13.00 Counting of Votes by Returning Officers 14.00 – Announcement of Election Result

The results were announced during the ICOMOS India Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 24th June, 2023 and the details of the Newly elected Executive Committee have been mentioned at the beginning of this section.

Executive Committee Meetings



The annual calendar 2023-2024 saw four Executive Committee meetings being held in online and hybrid mode.

1. ExCom 17 - 21st April 2023 - Online
2. ExCom Handover Meeting - 25th June 2023 - Hybrid
3. ExCom 1 - 11th July 2023 - Online
4. ExCom 2 - 2nd January 2024 - Online

The first was the 17th Executive Committee Members Meeting (ExCom 17), which was held on 21st April 2023 over the zoom platform, with the ExCom members and the Secretariat Staff in attendance. This also happened to be the last meeting of the former ExCom (2020-2023). The second meeting was the handover meeting which took place on 25th June 2023, in hybrid mode for which three of the former ExCom members and nine of the newly elected members, joined in person from the MCR HRD Institute of Telangana, Hyderabad, while the newly elected Treasurer, former East Zone Representative and Secretariat Staff joined remotely via Zoom. The next meeting, ExCom 1, which was the first meeting of the newly formed Executive Committee was held on 11th July 2023 in online mode on the Zoom platform. During this meeting, for the nomination of the Institutional Member, within the ExCom, a draw of lots was conducted from among the voting institutional members namely, R. V. College of Architecture (RVCA) and Faculty of Architecture and Planning Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Technical University (FoAP AKTU). CEPT being the third voting member and ExCom member for the last term (2020-2023) was not included within this draw. FoAP AKTU won the draw. Dr. Vandana Sehgal was nominated as the

FoAP AKTU (Institutional Member) representative on the Executive Committee. ExCom 2 took place on 2nd January 2024 through online mode over the zoom platform with the executive members and secretariat staff in attendance.

Annual General Meeting 2023

ICOMOS India's Annual General Meeting was held on 24th June 2023 from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm, at MCR HRD Institute of Telangana, Hyderabad. Held in hybrid mode, through the zoom platform, it saw several attendees from across our membership joining us for the event. The quorum was successfully achieved with a total of 179 members in attendance (both online and offline), among which 93 were voting members.

The AGM of 2023 proved to be a resounding success, bringing together members both in person and online to engage in fruitful discussions. During the event, participants reflected on the strides ICOMOS India has taken in the realm of conservation and preservation of heritage and culture. Additionally, they collaborated to chart a course towards a more proactive and action-oriented approach for the future.

Reconstitution of Standing Committee for Heritage @ Risk

The ICOMOS India Standing Committee to address Heritage Risk Matters was reconstituted on 3rd February 2024 for a 2 year tenure period and will address the Heritage@Risk matters brought to ICOMOS India's notice by the members. The current committee comprises the following members:-

1. President, ICOMOS India - Dr. Rima Hooja
2. Secretary, ICOMOS India - Mr. Nitin Sinha
3. Zonal Representation (Specific to the zone in which the alert is raised)
4. Steering Committee Advisory Member
5. Steering Committee Advisory Member
6. Relevant NSC Coordinator(s)
7. Expert Member (Icomos India Member / Non Member)

The Standard Operating Procedure for identifying Heritage@Risk and bringing it to ICOMOS India's notice was additionally circulated.

IDMS Events 2023

International Day of Monuments and Sites is held annually on 18th April. Each year ICOMOS

International proposes a theme. The theme for IDMS 2023 was “Heritage Changes”. To celebrate IDMS 2023, ICOMOS India organized several events, which are as follows:

A publication on the proceedings of East Zone and NSC HTV 2020 Webinar Series on Resilient and Sustainable Development of Historic Areas and Precincts: Focus West Bengal, was launched on 18th April 2023 as part of the World Heritage Day Celebrations held by the West Bengal Heritage Commission at Kolkata.

North Zone ICOMOS India celebrated the World Heritage Day by collaborating with SPA Delhi by holding a seminar (hybrid mode) on “Intergenerational dialogues on Cultural approaches”, keeping in view the theme for the year “Heritage Changes”.

North Zone, ICOMOS India in collaboration with Shahjahanabadi Foundation and Heritage Quest conducted a heritage walk, ‘A Trail around the Markers in Delhi during the Siege of the Capital in 1857’, on 23rd April 2023. The walk was led by Abhishek Jain, and highlighted the cultural significance of Kashmiri Gate of the historic Shahjahanabad wall and the heritage around it in relation to the 1857 siege of Delhi by the East India company.

NSC SBH organized an online discussion on 25th April 2023 on the Danish Settlements of Serampore and Tranquebar to celebrate World Heritage Day 2023. Shristina Shrestha, Conservation Architect spoke on Reviving Serampore, Indo-Danish Heritage and Akshaya J, Conservation Architect presented on Syncretic qualities in the built form of Tranquebar.

Appointments

1. Appointment of Research Intern

A call for applications for the post of Research Intern at the ICOMOS India Secretariat Office was sent out in October 2023. The Executive Board of ICOMOS India selected Ms. Akanksha Malik Parashar for the same. Ms. Parashar - a post-graduate in Archaeology with experience of working as an intern at National Museum, Delhi and freelancing as a heritage walk leader - commenced work at the Secretariat from 26th December 2023. Ms. Simran Deshpande, Research Assistant, Secretariat Office, ICOMOS India, who joined as a Research Intern in December 2021, served her tenure with us till May 2023. We take this opportunity to thank Ms. Simran Deshpande, for her invaluable support and dedication to ICOMOS India

during her tenure.

2. Appointment of NSC Counselor and NSC Co-Counselor

The term of the NSC Counselor, Prof. Dr. Arun Menon concluded in August 2023. A call for applications for the post of NSC Counselor was sent out in September 2023. The ExCom nominated Dr. Venugopal B. as the NSC Counselor, and Dr. Mrinalini Atrey as the NSC Co-Counselor. They both took charge from 1st February 2024 with a tenure of two years. We welcome the new NSC Counselor, Dr. Venugopal B. and NSC Co-Counselor, Dr. Mrinalini Atrey and look forward to the NSC’s working with them. We also take this opportunity to thank Prof. Dr. Arun Menon, for his invaluable support and dedication to ICOMOS India during her tenure.

3. Appointment of Co-Focal Point of SDG

Ms. Shinjini Saha has been appointed as the Co-Focal point of the Sustainable Development Goals Working Group, and took office in March 2024. Ms. Saha is an urban designer, researcher and strategist with nearly 5 years of professional experience. She holds a Masters in Urban Design from SPA Delhi. Currently as a Project Officer at the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), under the UrbanShift Country Project, she drives the adoption on nature-positive, low-emission, and climate-resilient solutions.

Quarterly Newsletters

ICOMOS India is active in circulating the Quarterly Newsletters which include its array of events, announcements and activities being organized in the respective quarter. The newsletters are shared with the COMOS Membership via listserv, along with being uploaded on the ICOMOS India website. The Newsletter team comprises the editors Ms. Rima Hooja, Mr. Nitin Sinha, dedicated volunteers Ms. Shriya Rajwade as well as Ms. Akanksha Malik Parashar, Research Intern at the Secretariat. ICOMOS India published 4 newsletters in the year 2023-24, which can be found on our website as follows:

- [Newsletter 12](#) - April - June 2023
- [Newsletter 13](#) - July - September 2023
- [Newsletter 14](#) - October - December 2023
- [Newsletter 15](#) - January - March 2024

All other editions of our newsletter can be found [here](#).

Digital Platforms



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Becoming a member makes you part of a growing family of professionals such as:
Historians, Architects, Archaeologists, Conservators, Planners, Educators, Curators, Interpretation Specialists, Anthropologists & Engineers

and other people with experience of working in heritage conservation. Different benefits and requirements apply to the different categories of membership.

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Platform	Details	Audience	Type of Engagement
Listserv -L	Email id provided to members	Members only	Office Bearers to Members; One-way communication
Aim: Share official ICOMOS India & ICOMOS International updates			
Official Email Communication Channels	Email: icomosindia@gmail.com , info@icomosindia.com Details of official email IDs for Executive Committee, NSC Counsellor & NSC Coordinators	Public	Free access to all
Aim: Official communication to the Board and/or NSCs			
Facebook Group	Name: Council on Monuments and Sites, India	Members only	Member to Member; Not moderated ; governed by list of netiquettes
Aim: Allow members to share information on Heritage Conservation			
Facebook Page	Name: ICOMOS India	Public	Executive Committee to Public. Only admins of the page can post on the timeline. Visitor posts are allowed on the community; Moderated
Aim: Share activities, events and updates of ICOMOS India/ ICOMOS			
Instagram Handle	Name: ICOMOS_India	Public	Executive Committee to Public; Only admins of the handle can post; Moderated
Aim: Share activities, events and updates of ICOMOS India/ ICOMOS			
Twitter Handle	Name: ICOMOS_India	Public	Executive Committee to Public; Only admins of the handle can post; Moderated
Aim: Share activities, events and updates of ICOMOS India/ ICOMOS			
Youtube Channel	Channel name: ICOMOS India	Public	Executive Committee to Public Only admins of the channel can post; Moderated
Aim: Share recordings of events, webinars & videos by ICOMOS India			
Website	Weblink: www.icomosindia.com	Public	Executive Committee to Public
Aim: Provide a one-stop platform for all information on ICOMOS India			
Publications/ Webinars/ AGM/ NSC Conclave	See website for details	Public	NA
Aim: Education and Capacity Building			
Listserv -D	Email id provided to members	Members only	Member to Member
Aim: Allow members to share information and relevant ideas			
Newsletter	Not moderated; governed by list of netiquettes	Members only	Executive Committee to Members; One-way communication
Aim: Share quarterly updates with members			



ACTIVITIES IN THE ZONES



Credit: Smita Makhija

NORTH ZONE

In 2023-2024, the members of North Zone undertook various activities like conducting panel discussions, heritage walks, workshops and the like in Delhi and in hybrid mode aiming to engage young people and members alike about their rich cultural heritage.

Panel discussions revolved around various topics ranging from Heritage Changes & Lifestyle for environment and Hydrology and Heritage: Himalayan River Ecology: Sustenance and Responsible Intervention. One heritage walk was organised on A Trail around the Markers in Delhi during the Siege of the Capital in 1857 and a Collaborative Workshop was held on Integrated Approaches for Conservation.

Such activities provide a platform for members in staying engaged with heritage matters and concerns, as well as brainstorming for ideas on how to work towards the promotion and protection of our heritage.

More details about the various events have been elaborated in the following section.

18 April 2023: Heritage Changes & Lifestyle For Environment

North Zone, ICOMOS India, celebrated the World Heritage Day by collaborating with the School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi by holding a seminar in hybrid mode on "Intergenerational Dialogues on Cultural Approaches", keeping in view the theme for this year's World Heritage Day 2023, "Heritage Changes".

The session was opened by Debasish Nayak, Manish Chakraborty, Ashish Trambadia, Ravi Gundu Rao and Smita Datta Makhija offering their perspectives on the topic. The discourse was centered on Heritage methodologies for climate resilient sustainable development in two sessions. The first session focused on 'Traditional Knowledge and Climate Resilience'. Dr Rohit Jigyasu, Shalini Dasgupta and Divay Gupta cited examples of heritage buildings which provide thermal comfort and energy efficiency thereby impacting the causes for climate change. The second session focused on a community-based approach towards sustainable development. Samvida Rai, Sandeep Naulaka, Dr. Jyoti Pandey Sharma and Prof. Dr. Meenakshi Dhote spoke on the topic.

Our senior most member of ICOMOS INDIA, RC Aggarwal who joined ASI in 1972 attended the event in person.

HERITAGE CHANGES AND LIFESTYLE FOR ENVIRONMENT

WORLD HERITAGE DAY 2023
18th April 2023 | Tuesday | Venue: School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi

7 am - 9 am
Heritage Walk of Feroz Shah Kotla and Bahadur Zafar on
Cafeteria for Environment
at River Garden

10 am - 11:30 am
Introduction to International Day of Monuments and Sites
World Heritage Day and Lifestyle for Environment
Department of Architectural Conservation and
Department of Environmental Planning

10:30 am - 10:45 am
Participatory planning approach towards
sustainability of the SMC
Shri. Anshu Kumar, NSC-ICH

10:45 am - 10:55 am
Present of heritage research and practice for
climate resilience
Dr. Anshu Kumar, NSC, Delhi

10:55 am - 11:05 am
Conveying the message of Heritage and History
Dr. Anshu Kumar, NSC, Delhi

10:55 am - 11:10 am
Inter-governmental Dialogue on World Heritage Sites
with
Dr. Debashish Nayak, Dr. Shashi Chakrabarti,
Dr. Anshu Tomhata,
Dr. Sanjiv Kumar, Dr. Smita D. Makhija,
Students of Department of Architectural Conservation

11:10 am - 11:30 am
Heritage and Climate Change
Dr. Robin Nigam,
Practising Planner, New Delhi,
Climate Change and Urban Risk Management, ICIMR

11:30 am - 11:45 am
Energy efficiency and climate resilient in Heritage Building
Dr. Shashi Das Gupta,
ICIMR, New Delhi

11:45 am - 12:00 pm
Traditional ways of building and knowledge systems
in relation to climate resilient building in urban context
Dr. Anshu Kumar, NSC, Delhi

12:00 pm - 12:05 pm
Vote of Thanks
Department of Architectural Conservation and
Environmental Planning followed by Special Lunch

12:05 pm - 12:30 pm
Workshop on Climate Resilient

Session
Community based approach towards sustainable development

12:30 pm - 12:45
World Heritage Site Conservation Decision for
Heritage Conservation and Climate Resilient
Dr. Sanjiv Kumar

12:45 pm - 12:55 pm
Community based Heritage Conservation
Dr. Sanjiv Kumar, Practising Planner, New Delhi

12:55 pm - 1:05 pm
Heritage Changes, Conservation, Livability and the
Other Dimensions of 19th Century Delhi
Dr. Sanjiv Kumar

1:05 pm - 1:15 pm
Traditional ways of building and knowledge systems
in relation to climate resilient building in urban context
Dr. Anshu Kumar, NSC, Delhi

1:15 pm - 1:30 pm
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1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Workshop on Climate Resilient

Please join the link- <https://meet.google.com/oni-evj-qpw>

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23 April 2023: Heritage Walk - A Trail around the Markers in Delhi during the Siege of the Capital in 1857

North Zone, ICOMOS India, in collaboration with NSC Intangible Cultural Heritage, Shahjahanabadi Foundation and Heritage Quest conducted a heritage walk lead by Abhishek Jain, to highlight the cultural significance of Kashmiri gate of the historic Shahjahanabad wall and the heritage around it in relation to 1857 siege of Delhi by East India company.

The walk commenced from Kashmiri gate to Nicholson cemetery and ended at Mutiny Memorial. The sensitivity of making interventions in historic context was highlighted by incongruous development initiatives like the metro station which abuts the Kashmiri Gate, a national level listed monument. The walk also proved to be an opportunity for young professionals to interact with ICOMOS India members to understand the complexities of making decisions for transformation of fragile historic urban landscapes.

Let's celebrate

WORLD Heritage DAY 2023

with a
Heritage walk

A trail around markers in Delhi during the Siege of the Capital in 1857

Day & Date: Sunday, 23rd, April 2023

Time: 9:30 onwards

Meeting Point: Main entrance, Kashmiri Gate

Registration Fee: Free

Conducted by:
ICOMOS, North Zone, NSC-ICH
Heritage Quest
Shahjahanabadi Foundation

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29 July & 12 August 2023: Hydrology and Heritage: Himalayan River Ecology: Sustenance and Responsible Intervention

ICOMOS India North Zone, held a webinar which was basically a dialogue, keeping in view the flooding of heritage areas in the river Yamuna basin, on the Himalayan River ecology's relationship with the historic settlements and the current reasons for the devastating flooding in North India.

The panelists acknowledged the need to understand the hydrological heritage resources from the past and their relevance in the eco centric planning of historic cities today.

Experts Suruchi Shah, Vikram Soni, Prof Meenakshi Dhote voiced concern about the incompatible interventions with respect to the river's inherent nature and the aspects that need to be integrated in the planning process, stressing on maintaining the health of flood plains to prevent contamination.

Jagan Shah and Madhav Raman spoke about the Yamuna floodplain and the measures already tabled in the past which have not been implemented. In this session the Himalayan ecology parameters were examined in a scientific manner through the historic and present times perspective to prevent disasters due to flash flooding, the private and government initiatives were examined to list out parameters for further work on the topic.

HYDROLOGY AND HERITAGE
HIMALAYAN RIVER
ECOLOGY: SUSTENANCE
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SPEAKERS



SURUCHI SHAH
Conservation Architect
and Co-Founder at
Architectural Design
Studio, Research
Scholar



VIKRAM SONI
UGC Professor of Physics at the National
Physical Laboratory and at the Centre for
Theoretical Physics at Jamia Millia
Islamia, New Delhi; Emeritus Professor at
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi



PROF. MEENAKSHI DHOTE
Professor and Head, Department of
Environmental Planning at the School of
Planning and Architecture, New Delhi
Coordinator of Environmental Information
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29TH JULY
Saturday

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JAGAN SHAH
Director of the Artha Centre for Emerging Cities,
Trustee of Clean Air Asia, A Distinguished Fellow at the
InfraVision Foundation and is an Advisor to My Liveable
City. His work on urban innovation includes the design
and implementation of India's Smart Cities Mission, the
design of the infrastructure for Resilient Island States
facility established by the Coalition for Disaster
Resilient Infrastructure, and the land pooling and
transit-oriented development policies for the Delhi
Master Plan 2041



MADHAV RAMAN
An architect and urbanist co founded Anagram
Architects in partnership with Vaibhav Dimri. Its work
has been premiated at the Architectural Review's
World Emerging Architecture Awards 2007, United
Kingdom, the Cityscape Architectural Awards 2008,
2010 & 2016, United Arab Emirates, the Wienerberger
Brick Awards 2010, Austria, the Holcim Award for
Sustainable Construction 2011, Switzerland, the Asia
Pacific Design Awards 2012, United Kingdom, the
Dedaio Minosse International Awards 2017, 2019 and
2022, Italy.



12TH AUGUST
Saturday

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18 March 2024: Collaborative Workshop on Integrated Approaches for Conservation

ICOMOS India North and Central Zone in collaboration with Department of Environmental Planning & Department of Architectural Conservation, School of Planning and Architecture, New Delhi, organized a Collaborative Workshop on 'Integrated Approaches for Conservation of Natural and Cultural Resources: Community Contribution for Sustainable Development and Mitigating Climate Change'.

The workshop was held at the School of Planning and Architecture, Delhi on 18th March 2024 from 9.30 am to 1.30 pm in hybrid mode.

For more details on the workshop, kindly contact the North and Central Zone Representatives.

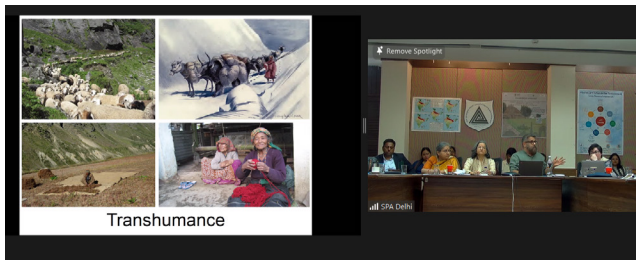
Recording of the event is available here.



Speakers, Attendees, SPA Delhi Staff, ICOMOS Members and Secretariat Staff; Credits - Arushi Bisaria



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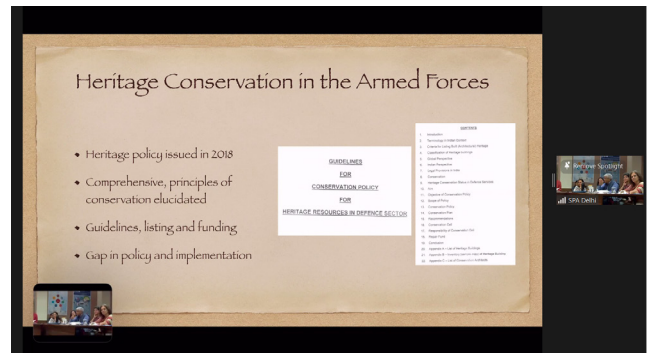
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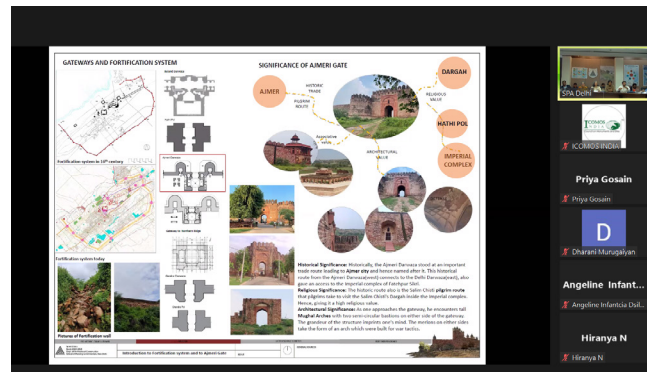
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EAST ZONE

In 2023-2024, the members of the East Zone engaged in a plethora of activities ranging from heritage walks, publications, round table discussions, to name a few in hybrid mode aiming to engage young people and members alike about their rich cultural heritage.

ICOMOS India launched an E-Publication titled 'Resilient and Sustainable Development of Historic Precincts and Areas'. A heritage walk was organised on the Terracota temples of Bengal and a Round Table Conference was held on Challenges in Built Heritage Conservation of Plausible World Heritage Sites, Context East Zone

Such activities provide a platform for members in staying engaged with heritage matters and concerns, as well as brainstorming for ideas on how to work towards the promotion and protection of our heritage as well as learn more about their heritage.

More details about the various events have been elaborated in the following section.

18 April 2023: Launch of ICOMOS India E-Publication on 'Resilient and Sustainable Development of Historic Precincts and Areas'

The publication, "Resilient and Sustainable Development of Historic Areas and Precincts: Focus West Bengal" brings together transcripts, keynote addresses and panel discussions, along with papers on the case studies presented in the seven webinars organized by the East Zone and NSC HTV in collaboration with the Emerging Professionals Working Group (EPWG) from August to December 2020. The members of the core organizing and the editorial team led by Dr. Sanghamitra Basu were Ms. Ananya Bhattacharya, Dr. Arjun Mukerji, Ms. Kamalika Bose, Ms. Puja Bhowmik, Dr. Sukanya Mitra, and Mr. Sukrit Sen.

The webinars covered Concepts, Frameworks, Needs and Experiences of Historic Precincts and Areas; Heritage Economics, Legal Tools, and Management Mechanisms for Historic Precincts and Areas; Engaging Communities for Sustainability and Resilience; Safeguarding Intangible Cultural Heritage; Resilience to Disaster, Pandemic, and Climate Change. It was felt that a wider dissemination of the rich discourse was desirable, and an editorial team worked on developing a publication. The compilation is based on transcripts of digital video recordings of keynote addresses and panel discussions, along with the case studies and

articles. It is expected to contribute towards various policies, programmes, and activities that need to be formulated and adopted to enable historic precincts and areas of West Bengal as well as other places and people. We thank all the keynote speakers, case study presenters, panel discussants for their support in compiling the publication.

The publication was launched in a commemorative event hosted by the West Bengal Heritage Commission on World Heritage Day (April 18,2023) at Nandan III Hall in Kolkata. In a presentation titled 'Integration of Built, Natural and Intangible Heritage of West Bengal', Dr. Sanghamitra Basu , Dr. Arjun Mukerji and Ms. Kamalika Basu shared case studies, insights and recommendations from the publication. Dignitaries present included Chairpersons from WBHC, West Bengal BioDiversity Board, West Bengal Pollution Control Board, British Council Regional Director (East and North East), eminent author Mr. Amit Chaudhury, Regional Convenor INTACH, and Secretary ICOMOS India. The publication may be viewed [here](#).



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16 June 2023: District-Level Exploration of Terracotta Temples

A district-level exploration of terracotta temples of Bengal was conducted by member Mr. Kamal Banerjee, supported by NSC HD coordinator Mr. Bikramjit Chakraborty to find out possibilities to save the hidden treasures of West Bengal. Several villages in Paschim Medinipur district were covered to develop further strategies to save Bengal's temple heritage.



Credit: Bikramjit Chakraborty

November 2023: East Zone Meeting

A physical meeting was convened at Kolkata's "RED BARI," an example of the adaptive reuse of a heritage building. The members often meet online and have taken up specific activities connecting the State Heritage Commission in West Bengal. Specific tasks are mentioned in the letter sent to the West Bengal Heritage Commission.

1. Riverfront Development Strategy for Kolkata: Develop a comprehensive whitepaper integrating heritage conservation principles with modern development practices considering the "urban Transformation" process.
2. Heritage Health Report and Awareness Programs: Create a "Heritage Health Report" mechanism for listed and non-listed structures at the district level. Organize periodic Heritage Awareness Programs to engage and educate communities about the importance of heritage preservation.
3. Comprehensive Documentation of Spatial Attributes associated with Durga puja: Listing of "Bonedi Bari-er Pujo": Seek support from WBHC to work on a comprehensive documentation of spaces and context and, as an initiation of that, look at the Durga puja historically organized by the Bengali family as a part of their cultural tradition

within their pristine built spaces across the state and associated built heritage.

A working group was constituted to discuss these initiatives, led by Ms. Ananya Bhattacharya and Mr. Kamal Banerjee, supported by Ms. Mukul Agarwal, Prof. Akhil Ranjan Sarkar, and Mr. Sandipan Chatterjee.



Credit: Bikramjit Chakraborty

18 November 2023: Heritage Walk

East Zone, ICOMOS India supported a Heritage walk organized by The Grave Diggers, Kolkata, at South Park Street Cemetery, on 18th November 2023. The walk conducted by Dr. Sutapa Joshi *was held as part of the Heritage Week celebrations. It further aimed to generate awareness among the inhabitants of Kolkata about their rich cultural heritage.



Credit: Bikramjit Chakraborty

26 February 2024: Round Table Conference on Challenges in Built Heritage Conservation of Plausible World Heritage Sites, Context East Zone

East Zone, ICOMOS India, in collaboration with School of Architecture & Planning, Sister Nivedita University, Newtown, Kolkata, organised a Round Table Conference on Challenges in Built Heritage Conservation of Plausible World Heritage Sites: Context Eastern Zone on 26th February 2024, in hybrid mode.

The round table aimed to bring together students of various disciplines, academicians, professionals, and fellow fraternity members to meet and share views on the topic of discussion. For more details of the event, kindly contact the East Zone Representative.

Recording of the event is available here.

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ROUND TABLE CONFERENCE
on
CHALLENGES IN BUILT HERITAGE CONSERVATION
OF PLAUSIBLE WORLD HERITAGE SITES
CONTEXT EAST ZONE

26 FEBRUARY 2024 FROM 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
AT THE SEMINAR HALL | SNU | KOLKATA

Hybrid Mode

Poster of the event



One of the presenters at the conference; Credit: Bikramjit Chakraborty



In person attendees at the conference; Credit: Bikramjit Chakraborty



In person attendees at the conference; Credit: Bikramjit Chakraborty



Mr. Jahwij Sharma, Chief Guest for the conference; Credit: Akanksha Malik Parashar



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CENTRAL ZONE

In 2023-2024, the members of the Central Zone organised a number of webinars in hybrid mode aiming to engage young people and members alike about their rich cultural heritage.

Such webinars give members an insight into various aspects of their heritage and provide a platform for members in staying engaged with heritage matters and concerns, as well as brainstorming for ideas on how to work towards the promotion and protection of their heritage as well as learn more about their heritage.

More details about the various events have been elaborated in the following section.

April to August 2023: Riverscape Series

Central Zone, ICOMOS India in collaboration with Wednesdays For Water Foundation (a think tank built as a Citizens Collective) organized the Riverscape series which were five webinars from February to August 2023, aimed at better understanding the nuances of water conservation and management. The objective was to engage with water experts, grassroots practitioners, policymakers and youth to learn their thoughts and ideas about the complex-intertwined issues associated with water and the possible solutions.

The details of the various series conducted in the annual year 2023-24 are as follows:

- 19th April - Riverscape Series-III: Climate Change, Culture and Riverscapes
- 21st June - Riverscape Series-IV: Holistic Approaches in Water Heritage Documentation
- 19th July - Riverscape Series-V: Rivers Uninterrupted: The Many Lives
- 30th August - Riverscape Series-VI: Our River Our Life

For more details, kindly contact the former Central Zone Representative.

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W For W Foundation Session 94| 19 April 2023 | 5:00-6:00 PM IST

Riverscapes Series- 3
Climate change, Culture and Riverscapes

Speakers

Moderator: Mansee Bal Bhargava
Ashim Manna
Hannah John
Discussant: Proshakha Maitra

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W For W Foundation Session 100| 21st June 2023 | 5:00-6:00 PM IST

Riverscape Series - 4
Holistic Approaches in Water Heritage Documentation

Speakers

Moderator: Nishant Upadhyay
Sukrit Sen
Nupur Bhatnagar
Discussant: Monami Bhattacharya

Joining Link : <https://tinyurl.com/449yykhu>

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Council on Monuments and Sites

W For W Foundation Session 104| 19th July 2023 | 5:00-6:00 PM IST

Riverscape Series - 5
Rivers Uninterrupted: The Many Lives

Speakers

Discussant: Nishant Upadhyay
Nupur Choudhary
Venkatesh Dutta

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W For W Foundation Session 108 | 16th Aug 2023 | 5:00-6:00 PM IST

Riverscape Series - 6
Our River Our Life

Speakers

Moderator: Nishant Upadhyay
Neethi Mahesh
Naren Sreenivasan
Discussant: Monica Tewari

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17 February 2024: Day 2 Plenary 4: RIVERSCAPES

Nishant Upadhyay (ICOMOS India member) curated and moderated the panel on Riverscapes which brought in the aspect of culture into the water and river talks at the Water Fest 2024 organized by WforW. Foundation with support from Indian Institute of Technology (Banaras Hindu University), Varanasi & Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resources, RD & GR, Govt. of India (16-17 February 2024).

This panel on riverscapes was the culmination of the year long project collaboration named Riverscape, between WforW.Foundation and ICOMOS India made possible with the support of many water and heritage volunteers. We thank the organizers, all co-participants, sponsors and especially the panel members Rambaboo Tiwari , Shubhi Kesarwani and Ganesh Shankar for their wonderful participation in the panel discourse.



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WATER CONNECTS
Water Fest 2024
Session 76-1 | 17th Feb 2024
11:45 AM-12:30 PM IST

Day 2: Plenary 4: Riverscapes

Moderator	Panelists		
Nishant Upadhyay	Suresh Kumar Rohilla	Ram Babu	Bibhu Prasad Nayak

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NORTH-EAST ZONE

In 2023-2024, the members of the North-East Zone organised a number of international webinars in hybrid mode aiming to engage young people and members alike about their rich cultural heritage.

The webinars were part of the Unfold North East India initiative and were focused on aspects revolving around the North-East.

Such webinars give members an insight into various aspects of their heritage and provide a platform for members in staying engaged with heritage matters and concerns, as well as brainstorming for ideas on how to work towards the promotion and protection of our heritage as well as learn more about their heritage.

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4 November 2023: Webinar on Nocte Tribe & Assamese Society

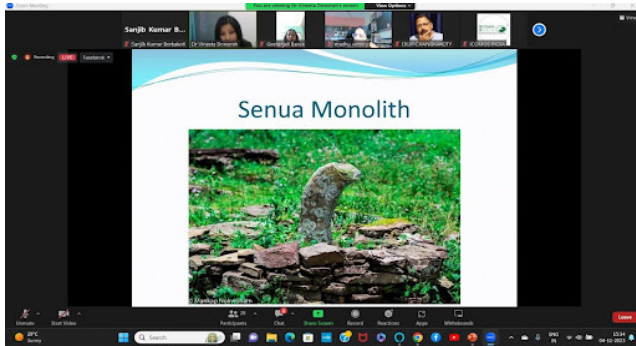
ICOMOS India's North East Zone is actively committed to preserving and promoting the cultural heritage of the North East through initiatives like UNFOLD NORTH EAST INDIA. In a recent international webinar on 4th November 2023, the organization focused on the profound connection between the Nocte Tribe and Assamese Society in Arunachal Pradesh.

The webinar, the first in a series of six, began with Dr. Rima Hooja's eloquent address on Intangible Cultural Heritage. The spotlight was on the Nocte Tribe's relationship with the Sri Sri Merbil Bareghor Sattra in Merbil, Upper Assam. Insights from Mr. Satradhikar Gajen Mahanta and Golap Borah highlighted the enduring centuries-old connection.

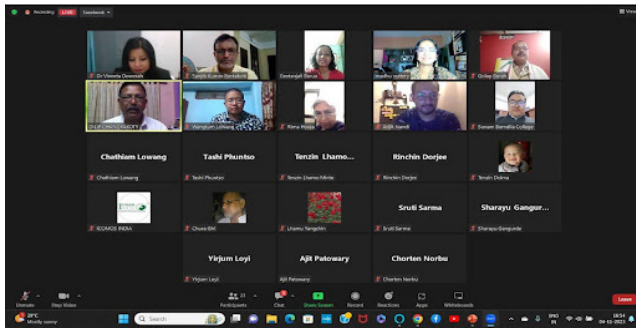
Dr. Vineeta Dowerah, a renowned Nocte researcher, provided insights into the tribe's traditions, including mineral extraction practices and cultural preservation. Wangtum H. Lowang, Director of Nocte Digest, shared lesser-known aspects of Nocte history, emphasizing their contribution to India's freedom movement.

Dr. Sanjib Kumar Borkakoti's research lecture added depth, and Ms. Madhu Vottery's skillful Q&A session addressed topics like mineral resource commercialization and heritage preservation strategies. The webinar was held on the zoom platform

with 52 participants in attendance. It was expertly led by Mr. Dilip Changkakoty and moderated by Gitanjali Barua. This showcased the organization's dedication to preserving the vibrant cultural heritage of the North East, promising more revelations in upcoming sessions. Recording of the webinar:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=faXksyY0sc8&t=1437s>



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UNFOLD NORTH EAST INDIA
A WEBINAR ON *****
NOCTE TRIBE & ASSAMESE SOCIETY

Saturday, November 4, 2023
Time (IST): 03:00 PM

PANELISTS
1. Gojen Mahanta Bareghar Sattradhikar : Nocte society and Bareghar Sattr
2. Dr Veenita Dowera : Origin and evolution of Nocte society
3. Wanglin Lowangdong : Nocte Assamese Culture and Economic relationship
4. Golap Bora : Assam Arunachal Relationship in modern times
5. Dr. Sanjib Kr Barkakoti : Nocte Assam Spiritual Relationship
6. Wangtum H Lowang: Contribution of the Nocte to Indian Freedom Struggle

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10 November 2023: Webinar on Brajwali -A Special Literary Language

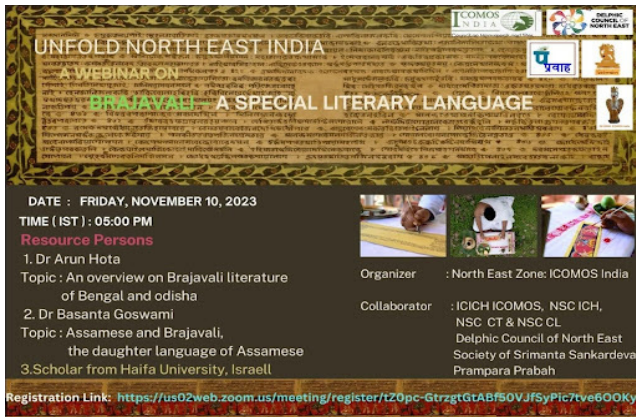
ICOMOS India North East Zone organized an enlightening webinar on the Brajwali language, showcasing its linguistic and cultural nuances. The event, held on 10th November, featured insightful presentations and discussions aimed at preserving and promoting cultural heritage. Mr. Munish Pandit, President of ICICH, emphasized the importance of preserving linguistic diversity in his welcome address, setting the event's tone. Distinguished speakers, including Professor Arun Hota and Dr. Sanjib Kumar Barkakoti, provided a comprehensive overview and explored distinct features of Brajwali in Bengal, Orissa, and Shankari. The international dimension was enriched by Israeli scholar Oren Jonder, who drew parallels with the revival of the Hebrew language. Reviews from Dr. Shelley Palag and Dr. M. Satish Kumar added cross-cultural perspectives.

ICICH President Mr. Munish Pandit expressed commitment to advocate for the inclusion of languages like Brajwali in UNESCO's "Intangible Cultural Heritage." Renowned percussionist Dilip Changkakoty guided the webinar seamlessly, emphasizing Brajwali's linguistic richness and cultural significance.

There were about 41 participants who joined us through the zoom platform for this webinar. The success of the webinar highlights North East Zone ICOMOS India's dedication to fostering awareness and appreciation for diverse linguistic heritage, contributing to a more inclusive understanding of global heritage. The organization's commitment to preserving cultural expressions, especially through dormant languages like Brajwali, showcases a proactive approach to safeguarding cultural diversity. Recording of the webinar:- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VgGn2u35HxI&t=21s>



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1 December 2023: Webinar on Dikhou Steel Bridge - A Treasure of History and Engineering Marvels

The third edition of the UNFOLD NORTHEAST INDIA 2023 webinar series focused on the historical and engineering significance of the Dikhou Steel Bridge, a colonial-era marvel. The webinar saw 78 participants who had joined online via zoom.

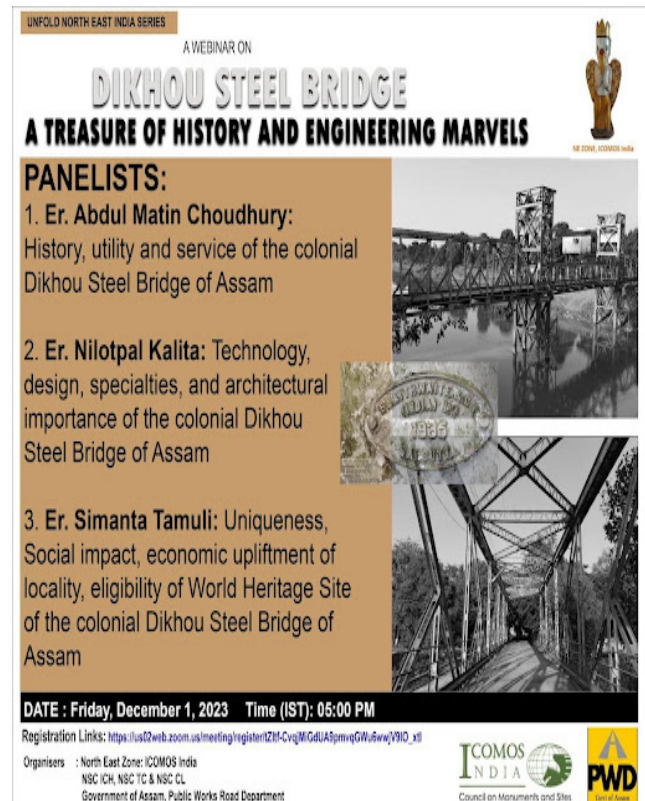
Mr. Dilip Changkakoty, Coordinator of the North East Zone, ICOMOS India, welcomed participants, and Ar. Anju Mani Kalita skillfully moderated the event. Er. Chandan Sarmah, Commissioner & Special Secretary to the Government of Assam, PWRD, shed light on the bridge's construction in 1935 by M/s Braithwaite & Co. India Ltd., emphasizing the role of Assamese Engineer Hari Prasad Baruah.

The webinar delved into various aspects of the Dikhou Steel Bridge. Er. Abdul Motin Chowdhury discussed the history, utility, and service overview, Er Nilotpal Kalita spoke on the exploration of technology, design, and architectural importance and Dr. Rima Hooja emphasized on the global linkage that marked key insights.

Er. Simanta Tamuli discussed the bridge's uniqueness, social impact, and potential World Heritage Site status. Concerns about the bridge's reparability were addressed, proposing a comprehensive plan for aged steel bridges.

Closing remarks by the President of ICOMOS India underscored the importance of preserving such structures, urging collective efforts. Participants were encouraged to contribute to documentation, preservation, and UNESCO listing, emphasizing the bridge's role as a historical link.

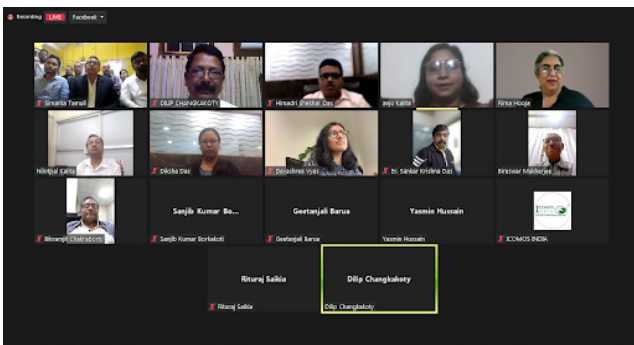
The webinar not only informed but ignited a commitment to safeguard the colonial Dikhou Steel Bridge's heritage, symbolizing a connection across regions and history. The President praised the Government of Assam's sensitivity to heritage matters, advocating for public voices to support preservation efforts, drawing parallels with the dismantling of the original London Bridge. The event celebrated human ingenuity, bridging the gap between the past and the present. Recording of the webinar: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7tDEdF25CNU&t=138s>



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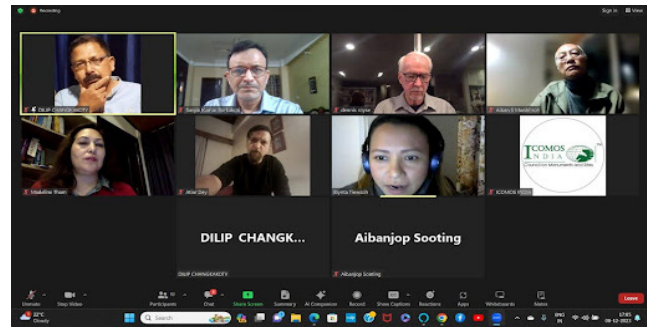
8 December 2023: Webinar on Nongkrem Dance – Music, Spaces, And Khasi Culture

The Nongkrem Dance, a cherished five-day Khasi religious celebration, unfolds its vibrant tapestry during the enchanting autumn. Guided by the Syiem of Khyrim and the venerable high priest, the ceremony unfolds gracefully, culminating in a symbolic offering to the benevolent deity of Shyllong peak—a humble sacrifice of a cock.

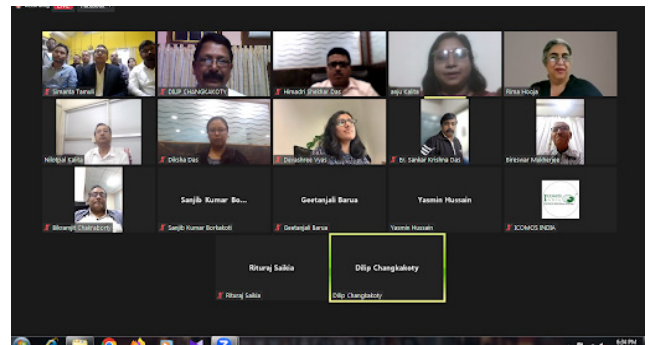
The religious fervor paves the way for a spectacle of dances, where unmarried girls don enchanting costumes, their movements a celebration of tradition and grace. Amidst this rhythmic panorama, the men take the stage, their dance exuding a natural vigor and energy. With a sword clasped in their right hand and a delicate white Yak hair whisk in their left, they synchronize their movements to the captivating beats of drums and the soul-stirring melody of pipes.

These captivating rituals have been meticulously explored by distinguished experts in the field, including Dr. Madeline Yvonne Tham, Ar. Aiban S Mawkhroh, and Professor Emeritus Dennis Royse. Through their insightful perspectives, they unraveled the cultural heritage, sacred spaces, and the melodic articulation

of meaning within the Nongkrem Dance Festival, contributing to a deeper appreciation of this cherished Khasi tradition. This webinar in the Unfold North East India Initiative series on Nongkrem Dance - Music, spaces and khasi Culture, saw 72 participants joining online via the zoom platform. Recording of the webinar: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sQ7YY7vPPE&t=56s>



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WEBINAR: UNFOLD NORTHEAST INDIA

THE NONGKREM DANCE: MUSIC, SACRED SPACES AND THE KHASI CULTURE

SPEAKERS

 Dr. Madeline Yvonne Tham Curator INTACH Meghalaya Chapter	 Ar. Aiban S Mawkhroh President Meghalaya Architects Forum	 Dennis Royse, PhD Professor Emeritus, School of Music, Azusa Pacific University California, USA
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Organiser: ICOMOS India, North East zone

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9 December 2023: Webinar on Jingkieng Jri / Lyu Chrai Cultural Landscape

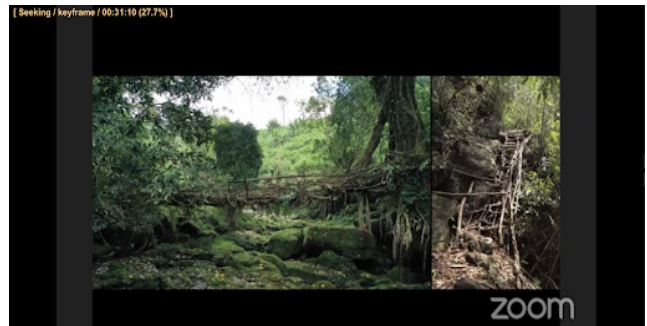
The collaborative webinar titled "Jingkieng Jri/Lyu Chrai Cultural Landscape," was organized by ICOMOS India, its North East Zone, and esteemed partners on 9th December. Attended by 78 participants, it showcased a profound exploration of the cultural landscape. Er Dilip Changkakoty, North East Zone Coordinator, and ICICH Expert Member, led the event, which featured an inaugural address by Professor Rana P B Singh, Coordinator of the NSC CL.

Despite facing health challenges, Professor Singh emphasized the holistic spiritual cosmic sense of the cultural landscape, particularly suited for the North East. He entrusted Er Dilip Changkakoty to prepare a comprehensive report reflecting his vision, aligning with modern frameworks. Four distinguished resource persons:- Mr. Mohonsing Khongshun, Ms. Ketki Prashant Pathak, Mr. Tilaris Marwein, and Mr. Gunanka D. B., IFS, covered habitat uniqueness, cultural landscape approaches, protection, and management in their presentations. International experts, including Professor Singh and Dr. Sanjib Kumar Borkakoty, provided valuable insights. Professor Singh stressed the intricate relationship between nature and culture, advocating for education that integrates deeply rooted traditions into the cultural framework. Dr. Borkakoty offered recommendations for the living root bridge's UNESCO submission, emphasizing comprehensive preparation and economic implications.

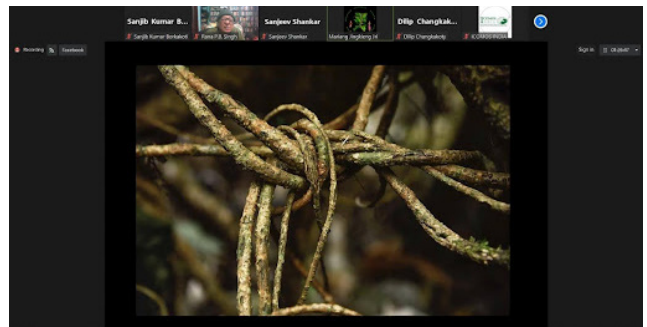
The collective aspiration is for Jingkieng Jri's designation as a World Heritage Site, with a commitment to assisting the Government of Meghalaya. The international experts in the North East Zone pledged continuous support, reflecting a shared vision for the preservation and recognition of the cultural landscape. Recording of the webinar: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DetVOKWDIk8&t=234s>



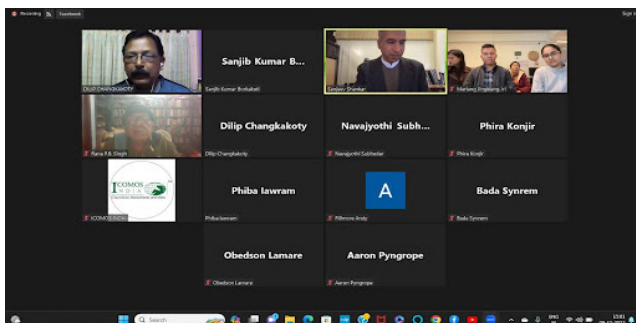
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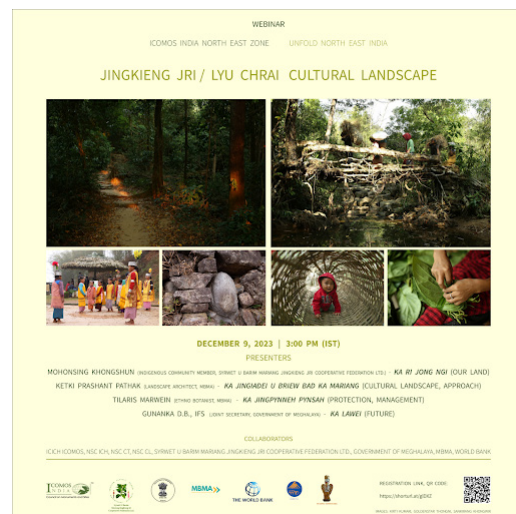
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SCIENTIFIC MATTERS

INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES (ISCs)

Engagement of ICOMOS India in ISCs

Ms. Ananya Bhattacharya presented on Indigenous Knowledge for a Sustainable Future along with Ms. Karla Nunes Penna from ICOMOS Brazil on 5th September as part of the Heritage Exposition organized during the ICOMOS GA2023, held in Sydney, Australia from 31st August to 9th September 2023.

Ms. Ananya moderated a workshop on 'First Explorations : Heritage and Gender' organized by the joint ICOMOS task team on heritage and gender equality on 2nd September. The workshop provided insights into history of women leadership within ICOMOS, work done by the sup group and contextualized the ICOMOS Resolution 21GA 2023/20 – Gender Diversity in ICOMOS which was subsequently adopted during the GA. The sub group is working on improving gender balance in membership, leadership and activities of ICOMOS.

On 7th September, Ms. Ananya chaired a session on Managing Change/Fostering Resilience/Communities under the Resilience theme. As a member of ICTC Bureau, Ms. Ananya was involved in organizing a workshop on the ICOMOS International Charter on Cultural Heritage Tourism (ICCHT) and Responsible Tourism Management for Resilience and Sustainability on 7th September. The workshop brainstormed on integrating the ICCHT in the work of ICOMOS.

To read more about this workshop click [here](#).



Member with ICOMOS India Poster; Credit: Ananya Bhattacharya



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Heritage Expo. Credit: Ananya Bhattacharya



Resilience Session; Credit: Ananya Bhattacharya

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

MOM Report by Ar. Madhu Vottery,
Rapporteur & NSC CT Coordinator

Consolidated by Akanksha Malik Parashar,
Research Intern, ICOMOS India

ICOMOS India's Annual General Meeting was held on 24th June 2023 from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm, at MCR HRD Institute of Telangana, Hyderabad. Held in hybrid mode, through the zoom platform, it saw several attendees from across our membership joining us for the event. The quorum was successfully achieved with a total of 179 members in attendance (both online and offline), among which 93 were voting members.

The programme was inaugurated by lighting of the lamp, by the dignitaries who were gracing the occasion. These included IAS Shri. Sandeep Sultania, Principal Secretary, YAT&C, Shri B. Narayana, Deputy Director, Department of Heritage Telangana, Shri M. Vedakumar, Chairman, Deccan Heritage Academy Trust, Shri Ratish Nanda, CEO Aga Khan Trust for Culture, Dr Navin Piplani, President, ICOMOS India and Ar. GSV Suryanarayana Murthy, South Zone Representative, ICOMOS India.

Sri Sultania extended his gratitude and thanked ICOMOS India for choosing Hyderabad as a venue for the AGM 2023 as well as for their efforts in the nomination of Ramappa Temple as a UNESCO World Heritage Site. He went on to brief the gathering about the Master Plan of the area around the WHS and the Government of India's involvement there. He also mentioned about the efforts taken by the Telangana State Government and Aga Khan Trust for Culture, in restoring heritage Sites, the likes of Qutb Shahi Tombs.

The South Zone Representative, Ar. GSV Suryanarayana Murthy, thereafter, invited Dr Navin Piplani, the outgoing President to present the Welcome Address. Dr Piplani spoke about the efforts taken by ICOMOS India members as a part of the different NSC's and ISC's for research exploration and publications. He stressed upon ICOMOS India's role as an advisory body to the government, similar to that of ICOM and ICCROM. Taking this opportunity, he thanked the Executive Committee 2020-2023 for their efforts by highlighting how, even during the pandemic the ExCom

planned, organized and executed various scholarly events virtually. The South Zone Representative, Ar. GSV Suryanarayana Murthy then thanked Dr. Piplani and that brought the Inaugural Session of the AGM to a close.

Outgoing Secretary, Ar. Shalini Dasgupta, then took the stage and the approval of agenda, as well as presenting the minutes of AGM 2022 was done by her. Thereafter, the AGM 2023 followed the due process of appointment of Chair of the meeting, Dr. Navin Piplani, outgoing President ICOMOS India and appointment of rapporteur - Ar. Madhu Vottery.

With the term of the Executive Committee coming to an end, elections were held in June 2023 and hence the outgoing Secretary, Ar. Shalini Dasgupta introduced the Election Officer, Ar. Kalpana Raghavendra and Returning Officer, Ar Xavier Benedict. Dr. Navin Piplani, outgoing President ICOMOS India, and Chair then presented the Annual Report, wherein he briefed the members about the activities and events organized by ICOMOS India. As outgoing President he thanked the EPWG and NSC's. The events as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and a road map for 25 years were also discussed by him. This was followed by Ar. Shalini Dasgupta, outgoing Secretary presenting the Secretariat Report (2022-2023). The outgoing Treasurer, Priyanka Singh, thereafter presented the Expenditure (2022-2023), Audited accounts, Budget (2023-2024) and appointment of the CA & Auditor for the financial year 2023-2024. This was followed by the six zonal Representatives giving updates on zonal activities. These included, Dr. Ananya Bhattacharya for the East zone, Ar. Poonam Trambadia for the West zone, Dr Smita Makhija for the North zone, Professor GSV Suryanarayana Murthy for the South zone, Ar. Nishant Upadhyay for the Central zone and Er. Dilip Chngkakoti for the North East zone. The NSC Counselor, Dr. Arun Menon, then presented the updates on NSCs and WGs activities. This was followed by the outgoing Vice President, Dr. Rima Hooja's address. The result of the elections for the Executive Committee 2023-2026 which were held in June 2023 & Introduction of the newly elected Executive Committee was announced by the election officer and returning officer.

Last, but not the least, the vote of thanks and closing remarks were given by outgoing Secretary, Ar. Shalini Dasgupta, and with this the AGM 2023 came to an end. The AGM 2023 was a successful event where members, in person and online, met and discussed the progress that ICOMOS India has made over the years

and also planned for a future course of action, stepping into a more proactive approach for conservation and preservation of heritage and culture.

On 25th June 2023, as part of the AGM 2023, Aga Khan Trust for Culture, in collaboration with Deccan Heritage Academy Trust, organized a heritage walk at Qutb Shahi Heritage Park, Hyderabad. The walk was flagged off by the dignitaries at Qutb Shahi Park entrance and several people including the dignitaries Navin Piplani, outgoing President, ICOMOS India, Shalini Dasgupta, outgoing Secretary, ICOMOS India, Sri. G.S.V. Suryanarayana Murthy, Convenor, South Zone, ICOMOS India, Sri. Veda Kumar Manikonda, Member, ICOMOS India and Sri. Ratish Nanda, CEO, Aga Khan Trust for Culture (AKCT) participated in the walk.

Some glimpses from AGM 2023:



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Collaborating with students of Architecture; Credit: Niyati Jigyasu

NSC HISTORIC TOWNS AND VILLAGES

February 2024: Comprehensive Study of Vernacular Architecture and Heritage Settlements in Punjab

ICOMOS India conducted an activity, 'Comprehensive Study of Vernacular Architecture and Heritage Settlements in Punjab' in collaboration with the University Institute of Architecture, Chandigarh University. Aligned with the ICOMOS India Training and Capacity Building program, the activity was proposed by Dr. Niyati Jigyasu, Coordinator of NSC Historic Cities, Towns, and Villages, and supported by Dr. Vaishali Latkar, NSC Education and Training. The documentation workshop was planned in 3 stages that involved pre-activity webinars followed by an on-site study, and a review session concluding with a post-event session. The participants included 30 students from Architecture and 5 from Media Studies. The workshop is the second in a series of collaborative training programs put forth by the NSC HCTV.

ICOMOS India conducted an activity, 'A comprehensive study of vernacular architecture and heritage settlements in Punjab' in collaboration with the University Institute of Architecture, Chandigarh University.

Aligned with the ICOMOS India Training and Capacity Building program, the activity has been proposed by Dr. Niyati Jigyasu, Coordinator of NSC Historic Cities, Towns, and Villages, and supported by Dr. Vaishali Latkar, NSC Education and Training. This activity aimed to explore the vernacular architecture and settlements with ecological and historic contexts. The documentation workshop was planned in 3 stages that involved pre-activity webinars followed by an on-site study, and a review session concluding with a post-event session. The pre-activity lectures were conducted by experts from ICOMOS India and CU, covering topics such as methodology for documentation of tangible-intangible heritage, as well as application of geospatial technology in heritage study. The on-site study was conducted in 4 days. The first day included a visit to the various heritage sites of the historic city of Amritsar. These include Heritage Street, Partition Museum, Jallianwala Bagh, Sri Harimandir Sahib, and Gobindgarh Fort. This was carried forward in the form of a cultural mapping exercise which was an interesting exercise on brainstorming for the students.

The second day involved understanding the history of the village and exploring the village through the lens

of its organic settlement pattern, which encompasses not only its physical layout but also the intricate web of socio-cultural interactions within. This also needs to be connected to the larger ecosystem around.

The participants include 30 students from Architecture and 5 from Media Studies. The workshop also introduced students to contemporary documentation techniques such as photogrammetry and drone usage. The workshop concluded with a presentation of the student's final work to an audience comprising school children and community stakeholders.

The workshop seeks to increase the visibility of ICOMOS India and its activities among the younger generation. Second, in the series, the activity is in line with the one conducted by BRICK College of Architecture, Pune in 2021 and which is culminating in a handbook this year.



Talk on Introduction to Heritage Documentation and the workshop by Dr. Niyati Jigyasu; Credit: Niyati Jigyasu



Students on a village visit. Media studies students involved in documentary making; Credit: Niyati Jigyasu

NSC SHARED BUILT HERITAGE

NSC SBH conducted two major events in the year, a discussion on Studying Danish Culture in the India context and a talk on how shared cultural heritage can build regional cooperation keeping Calcutta and Dhaka in mind. Both the events got a good response and helped fulfil a major aim of the NSC, which is to understand the nature of Shared Heritage in the Indian context. Apart from this the NSC conducted meetings amongst its members to keep in touch with each other. It is already collaborating with NSC 20th century on a project to identify the shared built heritage of Kolkata in the 20th century. We hope to hold an exhibition based on the outcomes of this project which will be a major event in the upcoming year.

25 April 2023: Studying Danish Culture in the Indian Context: A Discussion on the Danish Settlements of Serampore and Tranquebar

NSC SBH organized a discussion on the Danish Settlements of Serampore and Tranquebar on 25th April, 2023 to celebrate World Heritage Day over the zoom platform with 40 to 50 participants in attendance. Ms. Shristina Shrestha, Conservation Architect spoke on Reviving Serampore, Indo-Danish Heritage and Ms. Akshaya J., Conservation Architect on Syncretic qualities in the built form of Tranquebar.

The vast coastline and abundant supply of spices and wealth in India drew many European countries to establish links through maritime trade. Beginning with the Muslim intrusions in the early medieval period until the gaining of independence from British rule in 1947, there has been evidence of numerous cross-cultural discourses across the country as an effect of invasion, trade, and religion. This is the foundation of the multi-faceted culture of India that is witnessed today. Cultural expression is analogous to architectural expression, which originates from as early as the Indus Valley Civilization in India, where the architecture and inscriptions tell fragments about the history and daily life of its people. Similarly, the architecture of the invaders and traders symbolize the cross-cultural encounters between the foreign and the indigenous, as there is always an act of borrowing and sharing. This amalgamation has led to the emerging of new languages in architecture called "eclecticism" and "syncretism". Their mere occurrence in architecture

is the expression and indication of a rich "shared heritage". Serampore and Tranquebar are two sites in India that have witnessed this cross-cultural exchange between the Indian and Danish populations and the architecture of both these places are replete with examples of such shared elements.

The first presentation was by Ms. Akshaya J. on Tranquebar. Tranquebar not only has a Danish connection but also a British one. Initially a Danish settlement it was sold to the British in 1845 for a small sum and hence the place has elements of Indian, Danish and British influence. Akshaya J. began by providing the historical background of Tranquebar. She then went on to explain the socio-cultural life of Tranquebar during the glory days of the Danes including their style of government, religion, language, cuisine, textiles, music, dance etc. She mentioned that after the Tsunami of 2006 efforts were underway to restore the town. She then analyzed the layout of the settlement within the walled town. She mentions that Protestant Christianity had an impact on the Danish settlement. Akshaya then explained the interior spaces of everyday dwellings in the Tranquebar settlement such as the Danish churches, Tamil houses etc. and this provided an interesting contrast with Srishtina's presentation which was more about grand monuments. Akshaya explained the inner layout of a typical Tamil Hindu dwelling followed by a Muslim trader's house and the Governor's residence on King's Street. She showed how the climate, local materials and religion impacted the interior designs of each of these buildings. The flooring and walls of the Danish buildings showed how they adapted to the local climate and conditions. She concluded that the Danes were primarily traders and so they did not really try to build grand buildings like the British did.

Ms. Srishtina Sreshtha spoke about documenting and proposing the repair and reuse of the Goswami Rajbari in Serampore. Srishtina emphasized how the river Hooghly contributed to the trading opportunities provided to the different European powers. She began with the geographical and historical background of Serampore. It was named Frederiksnagore after the king of Denmark in the 18th century. She went on to speak about the indigenous families of Serampore and how the Danes established themselves there. Srishtina then elaborated on the housing typologies of the area and their layout and materials used such as mud. The Danish Government House in Serampore was analyzed followed by the Goswami Rajbari which shows the presence of Danish as well as more indigenous/vernacular elements. Srishtina also

spoke about the river bank view of Serampore which showed European influence. Development of the railway link in 1854 also impacted the development of Serampore. The conservation and revival of the history of Serampore since the 2000s was also highlighted by Srishtina which was undertaken jointly by the Government of India and the National Museum of Denmark. St Olav Church, Government House and the Danish Tavern have been restored while the Goswami Rajbari is still to be conserved. The presentations were followed by a discussion and question answer session. Recording of the event is available [here](#).

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SHRISTINA SHRESTHA
Conservation Architect, Kathmandu
Reviving Serampore,
the Indo-Danish Heritage

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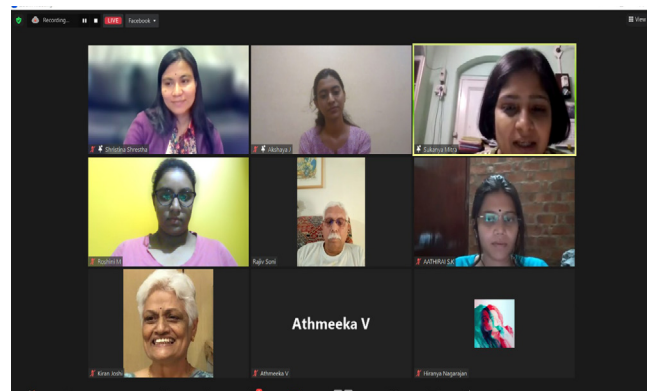
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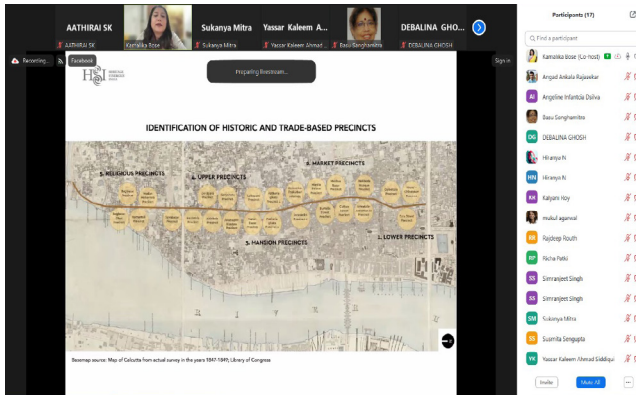
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NSC CULTURAL TOURISM

NSC Cultural Tourism in collaboration with NSC Intangible Cultural Heritage and NSC Historic Towns and Villages organized the event 'Connecting the Dots: Season 2, via the zoom platform. The event consisted of a series of five webinars held in the months of May and June 2023, which saw participants running into hundreds (all 5 webinars combined). Season 1 of the same event was held last year. The overarching theme of all the webinars was "Our Festivals & Responsible Tourism: India and Abroad. The event was also held to celebrate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav and 50 years of World Heritage Convention. A total of 16 scholars, ICOMOS and non ICOMOS members participated for 5 Saturdays in these engaging talks. A short report of each webinar is as follows. NSC CT plans to host a Season 3 of Connecting the Dots event in the year 2024 with even more speakers, the likes of ICOMOS members of South Asia.

May - June 2023: Connecting the Dots: Season 2

WEBINAR 01 - SATURDAY, MAY 13, 2023, @18:00 IST, EAST ZONE

1. Rural Tourism Of Bengal, Lesser-Known Village Festivals

Dr. Madhura Dutta the Director at 'banglanatak dotcom' with leading international collaboration and research initiatives for over 20 years of global work experience including UNESCO.

The presentation was about 'Harnessing the power of

folk festivals for responsible Village Tourism'. It was also about empowering local cultural communities, creating multi-cultural awareness, and ensuring well-being of rural creative collectives in West Bengal.

2. Intangible Heritage Of Indigenous Odisha

Sri Jitu Misra, an archaeologist by training and a heritage enthusiast by heart, working in the areas of Immersive and cultural tourism, handloom intervention and sustainable crafts.

The intangible heritage of Indigenous Odisha with special reference to Bhima, the Mahabharata hero - how he plays a central role as a fertility deity in the culture of Gonds, Kondhs and Bhatra tribes. The tribal festivals and rituals would be talked about.

3. Durga Puja: The Intangible Cultural Heritage Unesco

Ar. Sayantan Maitra Boka A Curator, Architect and Collaborative Artist Sayantan has explored in the realm of public art doing site specific interventions with LAYOUT Collective.

Durga Puja in Kolkata has always been a socio-religious celebration involving the masses. The UNESCO tag 'Intangible Cultural Heritage' has brought global attention to Durga Puja. The speaker presented a special glimpse of previous years' Durga Puja installations to experience the Durga Puja Art and temporary architecture of the festival and the process of transformation of the city. Recording of the event is available [here](#).

WEBINAR 02 - MAY 20, 2023 @ 18:00 IST, NORTH AND NORTH EAST

1. Agrarian Festivals In Assam And Responsible Tourism

Dr. Sanjib Kumar Borkakoti, an industrial economist by training, is a published author.

There are several Agrarian festivals in Assam. As much as 69% of Assam's population is engaged in the agricultural sector. Hence agricultural festivals are the most predominant in this state, namely, Bihu, Bwisagu, Ali-ai-ligang, Junbeel Mela, Karam Puja, Porag, Baikho, Bishu Dima and Bhatheli. The speaker will give a glimpse of these festivals in his presentation and discuss the salient features of each. It will be an eye-opener to the rich traditions of the ethnic groups

in Assam.

2. Buddhist Cultural Tourism In Assam and the related festivals were discussed in detail by the scholar

Sri Dilip Changkakoty, NE Zone representative, is an engineer by profession and a published author.

3. Festivals At Shaktipithas Of Himachal Pradesh

Dr. Harveen Bhandari is Professor and Dean (Research & Scholastic Developments), Chitkara School of Planning & Architecture, Chitkara University, Punjab, India.

Shaktipithas are venerated Hindu temples that symbolize our ancient cultural landscapes. The festivals and traditions followed in these shrines were the topic of discussion. The heritage of temples were discussed through festivals, annual celebrations and daily rituals, through which the significance of pilgrimage to these shrines is enhanced. Recording of the event is available [here](#).

WEBINAR 03, SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023, 18:00 IST, WEST AND CENTRAL ZONE

1. Jirnodhar Practices Of Historic Ahmedabad : An Intersection

Between Tradition, Modernity And Authenticity

Yash Gupta is an Architect with Master's degree in Conservation and Regeneration from CEPT University.

The talk explored the sacred landscape of the Jain community in historic Ahmedabad, which comprises interconnected temples, monasteries, and religious institutions. The landscape has played a significant role in the city's cultural and economic development since its establishment in 1411. Central to this landscape are the Jirnodhar practices, which involve the renewal of Jain temples and serve as a medium for spiritual connection with the divine. These practices have resulted in multiple cycles of restoration and reconstruction of Jain temples, creating a dynamic and transformative sacred landscape with layers of historicity and meaning.

2. Mahashivratri - Association And Celebrations At Markanda Temple, Gadchiroli, Maharashtra

Located along the River Wainganga, the Markanda

Temple at Gadchiroli is dedicated to lord Shiva built between 9th to 12th Century A.D. The temple complex presently has 18 temples dedicated to lord Shiva. The talk is about the temple festival when the village transforms during these 10 days hosting various religious and recreational events. The association of the people with the site and surrounding is visible through the transformation during the festival of Mahashivaratri.

The Religious Landscape Of Parner & Shri Ram Janma Utsav Therein: Named after Rishi Parashar, Kasba Parner in Ahmednagar district of Maharashtra is unique. As a Shri Kshetra, it is a Prati Kashi of the Deccan, with several sacred sites and historic settlements like Takli Dhokeshwar, Devi Bhoyra and Siddheshwar Wadi. One such Maratha temple complex is the 250-year-old fortified Shri Ram Mandir, built by Sardar Parnerkar, Huzur Fadnavis of Indore State. The entire temple is adjacent to a historic Kund and is surrounded by high defensive walls that once housed a Wada and other ancillary structures. The religious celebrations and traditions therein are also being revived through current conservation efforts. The Ram Janma Utsav deserves a special mention here.

Shreamey Phadnis is an Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Architectural Conservation at SCOA Pune. He is a co-founder of the Heritage Consultancy's Studio Gestalt'. Recording of the event is available [here](#).

WEBINAR 04 - SOUTH ZONE, 03 JUNE 2023

1. Tribal Festivals Of Telangana

The talk was about world's most congregated tribal fair to commemorate the legendary goddesses Sammakka-Saralamma takes place biennially in a tribal hamlet Medaram in Tadvai mandal of Mulugu district of Telangana, India.

Dr. Satyanarayana Dyavanapalli, a well-known scholar, is working as Curator of Tribal Museums, Government of Telangana, India.

2. Women: A Celebration Of Kerala

Women centric festivals celebrated in Kerala has a strong root of traditional and social values. Myths, rituals, food and art forms related to these festivals and their significance in the current trends were also focused during the session.

Ar. Nandhini V is An emerging conservation architect

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North, NE Zone-Webinar 02 Saturday, May 20, 2023, @18:00 IST



Dr Sanjib Kr Borkakoti
Dr Borkakoti, an industrial economist by training, is a published author. He is deeply interested in the life and works of medieval reformer litterateur Sirimanta Sankaradeva, who preached an egalitarian social outlook. He is trying to spread the humanitarian ideology globally.



Sri Changkakoty, NE Zone representative, is an engineer by profession. He wears many hats. He is a published author, currently busy studying seventh-century Hand-gesture scripture & a seventeenth-century Vaishnava Musical rhythm scripture and will publish the translation with commentaries of the same. He has also published 30 papers on music & cultural subject. Dilip ji was indirectly involved with ICOMOS and National Museum, New Delhi since 1998 on Majuli project, a river island in Assam.



Er Dilip Changkakoty
He shall be talking about the **Buddhist Cultural Tourism in Assam** and the related festivals would be discussed in details by the scholar.



Dr Harveen Bhandari is Professor and Dean (Research & Scholastic Developments), Chitkara School of Planning & Architecture, Chitkara University, Punjab, India. Harveen has done extensive research on Shaktipithas of HP, and has evaluated the cultural significance of these shrines.

Festivals at Shaktipithas of Himachal Pradesh- Shaktipithas are venerated Hindu temples that symbolize our ancient cultural landscapes. The festivals and traditions followed in these shrines are the topic of discussion. The heritage of temples would be discussed through festivals, annual celebrations and daily rituals, through which the significance of pilgrimage to these shrines is enhanced.

Agrarian Festivals in Assam and responsible Tourism
There are several Agrarian festivals in Assam. As much as 69% of Assam's population is engaged in agricultural sector, hence agricultural festivals are the most predominant in this state. Namely, Bihu, Bwisagu, Ali-ai-ligang, Junbeel Mela, Karam Puja, Porag, Bolkho, Bishu Dima and Bhattheli. Author and academician the speaker will give a glimpse of these festivals in his presentation and discuss the salient features of each. It will be an eye-opener to the rich traditions of the ethnic groups in Assam.

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South Zone- Webinar 04 Saturday, June 3, 2023, @18:00 IST



Dr Satya D
The world's most congregated tribal fair to commemorate the legendary goddesses Sannakka-Saralamma takes place biennially in a tribal hamlet Medaram in Tadvali mandal of Mulugu district of Telangana, India. The well known Thousand Pillar Temple inscription of Hanumakonda offers the date 1159 A.C.E. to a historical figure that appears in the folklore also. Thus the 864-year-old fair has been made official from 1996.

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Ar. Nandhini V
Like every other state in India, Kerala has a diversified culture that is distinctively unique and specific to each precinct. For the upcoming webinar, she would be discussing about the women-centric festivals celebrated in Kerala, that has a strong root of traditional and social values. Myths, rituals, food and art forms related to these festivals and their significance in the current trends will also be focused during the session.

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Ar. Roshini M
This talk will look at two significant festivals set in two different contexts in the state of Karnataka – The Brahmothsava festival celebrated in the Hoyasla temple town of Belur, which has been nominated for World Heritage Status and the Karaga festival celebrated in the historic core of urban Bengaluru.

Ar. ROSHINI M is an architect with an MA in Conservation Studies from the University of York, UK. She has worked with various heritage conservation organisations like Masons Ink (Bengaluru), Sahapedia and INTACH Bengaluru chapter. She was an INTACH Heritage Academy research scholar and a Sahapedia-UNESCO fellow for the year 2019-20. She is currently working as an Assistant Professor at School of Architecture, REVA University, Bengaluru.

Ar. Nandhini V is an emerging conservation architect exploring her stream of interest, opportunities and passion. After graduating with Masters in Heritage Conservation & Urban Regeneration from CEPT (2020). Since 2022, she has been a part of a UNESCO accredited NGO, primarily working on the conservation and promotion of lesser-known art forms and crafts of Kerala and also involved with INTACH Kasargod chapter in advocacy and conservation of local built heritage.

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West and Central Zone- Webinar 03 Saturday, May 27, 2023, 18:00 IST



Ar. Yash Gupta
Jirnodhar practices of historic Ahmedabad an intersection between tradition, modernity and authenticity. The research explores the sacred landscape of the Jain community in historic Ahmedabad, which comprises interconnected temples, monasteries, and religious institutions. The landscape has played a significant role in the city's cultural and economic development since its establishment in 1411. Central to this landscape are the Jirnodhar practices, which involve the renewal of Jain temples and serve as a medium for spiritual connection with the divine. These practices have resulted in multiple cycles of restoration and reconstruction of Jain temples, creating a dynamic and transformative sacred landscape with layers of history and meaning.

MAHASHIVRATI - association and celebrations at Markanda temple, Gadchiroli, Maharashtra.
Located along the River Wainganga, the Markanda temple at Gadchiroli is dedicated to lord Shiva built between 9th to 12th Century A.D. The temple complex presently has 18 temples dedicated to lord Shiva. There are numerous Shiva lingam in the temple complex outside the smaller and larger shrines. The temple is a pilgrim site at the regional level where people come from the districts of Chandrapur, Gadchiroli, Nagpur, and Bhandara and also from the border states of Andhra Pradesh and Chhattisgarh. Pilgrims come to the temple to the count of 450-600 per day. This number increases to 10-15 lakhs during the festival of Shivaratri in the month of February. The village transforms during these 10 days hosting various religious and recreational events. The association of the people with the site and surrounding is visible through the transformation during the festival of Mahashivrati.



Ar Shivani Sharma is a Conservation Architect, graduated from S.P.A. Bhopal in 2017. She is a Principal Architect at The Achintya Studio, Nagpur specializing in the field of consultancy in Heritage and design. She is also an academician working as visiting faculty at SSPAD and PIADS, Nagpur.

YASH GUPTA is an Architect with Master's degree in Conservation and Regeneration from CEPT University. Throughout his career, Yash has been involved in a wide variety of projects, ranging from the development of heritage policies, nomination dossiers, conservation management plans, and heritage impact assessments for various organizations. He brings a unique perspective to each project, using sustainability and community engagement.

SHREAMEEY PHADNIS is an Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Architectural Conservation at SCOA Pune. He is a co-founder of the Heritage Consultancy's Studio Gestalt. He has worked in various capacities for the documentation, restoration and promotion of heritage pan-india with various organizations in India.

THE religious landscape of Parner & Shri Ram Janma Utsav therein Named after Rishi Parashar, Kasba Parner in Ahmednagar district of Maharashtra is unique. As a Shri Kshetra, it is a Prati Kashi of the Deccan, with several sacred sites and historic settlements like Takli Dhokeshwar, Devi Bhoyra and Siddheswar Wadi. One such Maratha temple complex is the 250-year-old fortified Shri Ram Mandir, built by Sardar Parnerkar, Huzur Fadnis of Indore State. The entire temple is adjacent to a historic Kund and is surrounded by high defensive walls that once housed a Wada and other ancillary structures. The religious celebrations and traditions therein are also being revived through current conservation efforts. The Ram Janma Utsav deserves a special mention here.

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Beyond India & Reflections- Webinar 05, Saturday, June 10, 2023 @18:00 IST



Dr. Ujjwala Palsuley
DR. UJJWALA ANAND PALSULEY, a Conservation Architect - has been in the field for over 20 years as a Practitioner, Researcher, and Academician. She has a keen interest in Architectural history and the traditional knowledge systems of India. Her research focuses on Southeast Asian Architectural History, with a special focus on Khmer Architecture, Cambodia, and Dravidian temple architecture. Other than presenting papers at International & National Conferences she has also published a book on her research. She has founded Samachara-HCR, Pune and working as the Principal of MCOA, Pune.

Panel members:
MADHU VOTTERY, the NSCTT Coordinator, an Expert Member of ISC Cultural Tourism is an author and conservation architect. In her 20 years of rich professional experience, with International (UNESCO, WMF) and national projects, she has received awards, a National Scholarship, a Fellowship, and an Exchange Program (VLR, USA 2012), Madhu is Pride of Telangana(2021), for her love to work with school and college students.



Dr. Mrinalini Atrey
DR. MRINALINI ATREY, with a doctorate in History, works as a Lecturer at the Law School, University of Jammu, Jammu, India. Her research work is largely focused on Local Deity Cult, Folk Rituals, folk Narrative Songs, and women's role in the transmission and recreation of intangible cultural heritage. She coordinates the ACSH (Association of Critical Heritage Studies) India Chapter and the National Scientific Committee on Intangible Cultural Heritage -ICOMOS India.



Dr. Niyati Jigyasu
DR. NIYATI JIGYASU, is an Architect and an academician with more than 22 years of experience. Her research work examines the interlinkages and intersections between tangible and intangible attributes in historic areas. She has been involved in various capacities for projects international and national projects including resource person at the UNESCO sub-regional inception workshop linking world heritage sites and local cultural assets" held in Malaysia in 2018. Niyati is ICOMOS India NSC HTECV Coordinator.

Celebrating Cultural Heritage: Traditional Festivals in Cambodia and India
Traditional Festivals play a significant role in the cultural and social fabric of India, it is equally significant in the lands of Angkor in Cambodia which was historically influenced by the Indian culture. These festivals are an essential part of their cultural heritage, and they showcase their unique customs, beliefs, and traditions. In Cambodia, the traditional festivals are rooted in the country's Hindu and Buddhist cultures. The transfer of knowledge and the Indianization of the region is reflected in various aspects of Cambodian life, culture, art, and architecture. The session will take an overview of the festivals in the Angkor region influenced – directly or indirectly –by the Indian culture, especially from the Dravida region.

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NSC THEOPHIL

20 May 2023: New Education and Management' for Responsible Conservation in India

NSC Theophilos, in collaboration with NSC Cultural Landscapes, NSC Education and Training, NSC LAFI with South Zone

A roundtable discussion was organized by NSC Theophilos in collaboration with NSC CL, NSC TC, NSC LAFI and South Zone, ICOMOS India on the theme of "New Education and Management for Responsible Conservation in India. It attempted to articulate the dimensions of operationalizing, that is - from Theory to Action through education with equal rights to all. It is expected that the approach may broaden the horizons of and lead to interdisciplinary methods in the new curriculum.

Prof. Nalini's session highlighted various aspects, which are as follows: - In the past we have encountered significant challenges within the existing management system, leading to chaos and unmanageable contexts. During a recent session, you learned that your new nomination has been sent to UNESCO as a natural site, but uncertainty surrounds its authenticity. This situation highlights the need for transformative change - a fresh approach to management and education. As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the World Heritage Convention, the focus now shifts to the next 50 years. India must learn how to effectively manage its complex heritage resources and sites. This endeavor presents an opportunity for reflection and innovation, especially within the e-commerce sector. A new paradigm is essential to navigate this dynamic landscape and ensure sustainable stewardship of our cultural and natural heritage.

The roundtable was opened by ICOMOS India Secretary Shalini Dasgupta. President. Prof. Nalini M Thakur spoke about New Education for Conservation Education from a holistic and cultural perspective – An implemented Case. Prof. Vishakha Kawathekar discussed the New Education challenge to ensure sustainability and authenticity in management. President ICOMOS India - Navin Piplani spoke about Role and place of Traditional Knowledge and Systems in Conservation education. Prof. Rana P B Singh discussed Interpretation of "Indian Cultural Landscape" for conservation education. Ar. Surya Narayana Murthy spoke about Documentation, the range, contents, and

contents for conservation education. Prof. Vaishali Latkar discussed Traditional settlement research and its interface with planning. Prof. Jigna Desai presented the case - Planning Challenges on 'Real Historic city ground'- CEPT Ahmedabad Experience. Prof. Arun Menon spoke about the Traditional Engineering knowledge as an essential in New Education. The session was moderated by Prof. Lakshmi Priya, and assisted by Dr Monalisa Bhardwaj.

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NSC LAFI with ICOMOS India South Zone



**New Education and Management
for Responsible Conservation in India**
with focus on the integral aspects of cultural landscape, geography, and
Community within the contemporary Indian Context

A round table discussion is planned as part of Theophilos plan for 2022-23 shall conclude with this event focusing on the operationalising and mainstreaming the new paradigm required with "New Education and Management" for Responsible Conservation in India. This session shall have a round table discussion on critical components of conservation education that are relevant and unique for the Indian context and Indian traditional systems. ICOMOS Members with teaching experience, shall present on relevant themes such as cultural landscape, documentation etc that link to conservation to enhance and broaden into interdisciplinary or critical subjects in the curriculum.

2.00 to 5.00 PM
Date: 20th May 2023

Panellists:

 Shalini Das Gupta Secretary, ICOMOS India	 Prof. Nalini M Thakur Coordinator NSC Theophilos	 T. Lakshmi Priya Theophilos Member	 Dr. Vishakha Kawathekar Coordinator NSC LAFI	 Navin Piplani President, ICOMOS India
 Prof. Rana Singh Coordinator Cultural Landscape	 Surya Narayana Murthy South Zone Focal Point	 Prof. Vaishali Latkar Coordinator NSC	 Prof. Jigna Desai Member Theophilos	 Arun Menon NSC Coordinator

Registration Link:
<https://shorturl.at/CDMP1>



Poster of the event

27 May 2023: New Education and Management' for Responsible Conservation in India

NSC Cultural Landscapes, NSC Education and Training, NSC LAFI with South Zone.

Marking India's 75th year of Indian Independence, and 50th year of the World Heritage Convention, this webinar series deliberated on the crucial need for introspection in heritage studies and conservation. The series aimed to define a new philosophical base for conservation, emphasizing a holistic Indian perspective. Recognizing the uniqueness of Indian heritage, it advocated for different research, action, and knowledge management approaches. Encouraging an

interdisciplinary lens, the discussion delved into the meaning and significance of culture at various levels, emphasizing the historical interplay between nature and culture in shaping India's cultural landscape. Highlighting heritage as a living tradition, the series challenged the Western dominance in heritage studies and the limited scope of "authorized heritage." It aimed to develop new paradigms by fostering dialogue, exploring alternative methodologies, and engaging young professionals. Ultimately, the series envisioned India as a non-Western paradigm, contributing to a broader understanding of conservation on a global scale. The focus, key ideas and other aspects of this series have been elaborated below.

Focus:

1. Defining a new philosophical base for conservation with a holistic Indian perspective.
2. Recognizing Indian heritage as a unique system requiring different approaches to research, action, and knowledge management.
3. Encouraging an interdisciplinary approach to understanding and managing heritage.

Key Ideas:

1. Culture as a central concept: The discussion explores the meaning and significance of culture at various levels (micro and macro).
2. Nature-culture connection: Professor Rana emphasizes the historical interplay between nature and culture in shaping India's cultural landscape.
3. Heritage as a living tradition: This perspective emphasizes continuity, transformation, and transmission of heritage to future generations.

Challenges:

1. Western dominance in heritage studies: The traditional focus on Western methodologies and perspectives needs to be challenged.
2. Limited scope of "authorized heritage": Expanding the definition of heritage beyond grand, prestigious sites to include marginalized voices and perspectives.

Looking Forward:

1. Developing new paradigms: The webinar series aims to foster dialogue, explore alternative methodologies, and engage young professionals in shaping the future of heritage studies in India.
2. India as a non-Western paradigm: The potential for India's unique heritage to contribute to a broader understanding of conservation on a global scale.

The speakers in the session included - Prof. Nalini

Thakur, Dr. Rima Hooja, Dr. Arun Menon, Prof. Rana P. B. Singh, Prof. Vishakha Kwatrekar, Prof. Jigna Desai, Prof. Sonal Mittal, Ar. Surya Narayan Murthy, Shalini Dasgupta, Dr. Navin Pipalni and Prof. Arun Menon.

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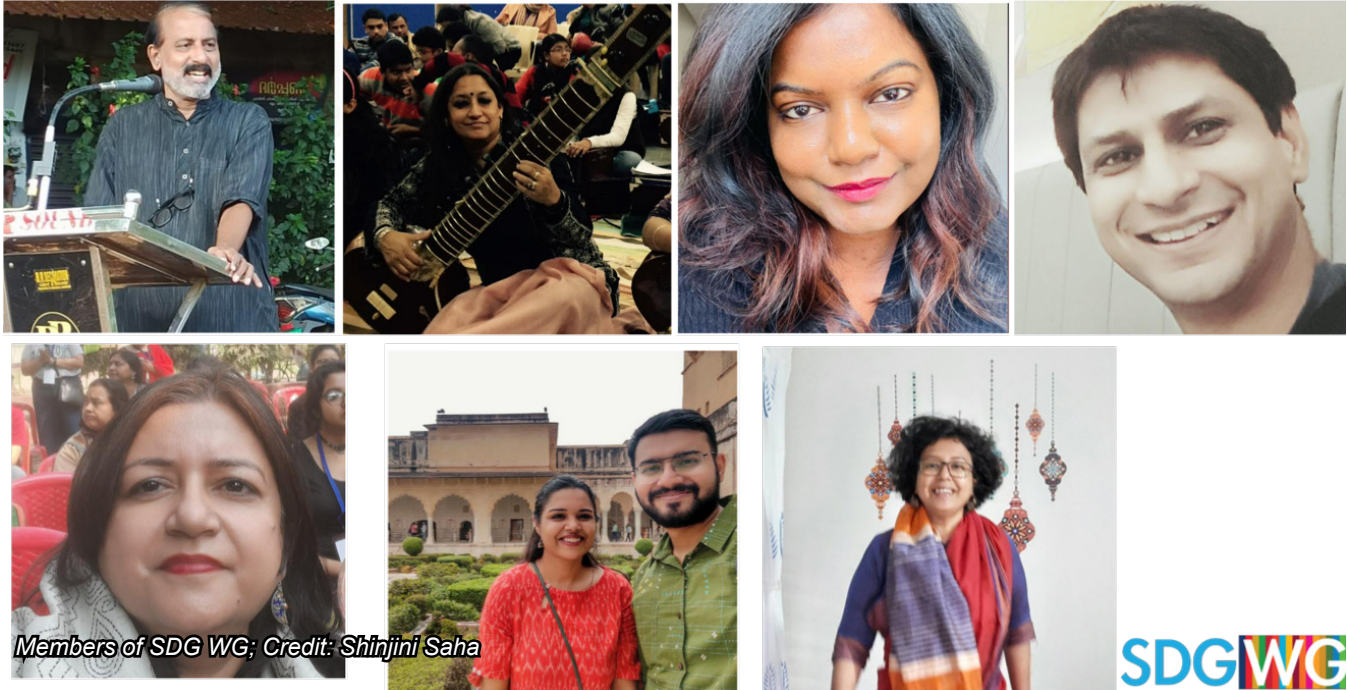
New Paradigm Management for Conservation Education and Real Grounded Actions Towards for Sustainability

We have commenced viewing the period comprising the Next 50 Years of the World Heritage Convention '72. The event is visualised as a "Round Table" discussion that attempts to articulate the dimensions of 'Operationalization' - i.e from theory to action through education with equal rights to all. It is believed that this method has great relevance for conservation education and profession.

Panelists: 2.00 to 5.00 PM Date: 27th May 2023

 Prof. Monalisa Bhardwaj	 Dr. Reema Hooja Vice President ICOMOS INDIA	 Prof. Nalini M Thakur Coordinator NSC Theophilos	 T. Lakshmi Priya Theophilos member
 Prof. Rana Singh Coordinator Cultural Landscape	 Dr. Vishakha Kwatrekar Coordinator NSC LAFI	 Shalini Das Gupta Secretary, ICOMOS India	 Prof. Jigna Desai Member Theophilos
 Prof. Sonal Mittal Program Chair, Masters in Conservation & Regeneration CEPT	 Arun Menon NSC Counselor	 Navin Pipalni President, ICOMOS India	 Surya Narayana Murthy South Zone Focal Point

Poster of the event



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS WORKING GROUP

The period spanning 2023-24 marked a dynamic phase for the SDG Working Group (WG), which emerged as a catalyst for sustainable development initiatives. Following its establishment on May 17, 2022, the group embarked on a journey of deliberation and action. Initial meetings, including a pivotal session on January 11, 2023, served as platforms for shaping the group's direction and strategies.

Building on this foundation, the SDG WG engaged in substantive discussions during subsequent gatherings, notably convening on April 22, 2023. Here, members delved into key topics, fostering a collaborative environment conducive to progress. Notably, the group extended its support to the G20 ICOMOS Task Team, contributing valuable feedback on "Culture as a Goal." This collaboration underscored the WG's commitment to interdisciplinary cooperation and leveraging cultural perspectives in pursuit of sustainable development objectives.

Moreover, the SDG WG forged partnerships with the SDG and Gender Task Group, amplifying efforts through joint activities and research endeavours. This collaboration underscored a commitment to gender-responsive approaches and inclusive development

practices.

The culmination of these endeavours was the representation of the SDG WG India at the 2023 General Assembly, a testament to the group's growing influence and relevance on the global stage. Throughout these activities, the SDG WG remained steadfast in its dedication to advancing the SDGs, promoting dialogue, and effecting positive change across diverse domains.





KEY FINANCIALS

OVERVIEW OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS: FY 2023-24

Budget

The Annual Budget for FY 2023-24 anticipated an income of Rs. 22,35,000 and expenditure of Rs. 41,80,680. The actual income was Rs. 13,15,801, this variation is attributed due to no funds generated for the Scientific Symposium and decrease in membership and actual expenditure was Rs. 22,32,600.

Income

This year sees the continued patronage of COMOS members and the membership fees generated an overall income of Rs. 11,09,000, which forms the majority of the income.

This year saw institutional collaborations to support regional events and projects. Notably, collaboration with Dr. MCR HRD Institute of Telangana, Hyderabad to conduct the AGM 2023.

Expenditure

Key expenditure has been focused on running of the secretariat - which is the backbone of the organization - and professional fees for annual consultancies.

- Rs. 50,000 which were brought forward to the Budget of FY 2023-24 for further advances to the official website has not been put to use and from that Rs. 20,000 is being brought forward to the Budget of FY 2024-25 for further advances.

- Three projects which were awarded support for NSC-led research in 2021 made progress in the year, with one undergoing expenses for work. All three projects were provided an extension of 6 months only for the upcoming financial year with remaining monies allocated for the projects being brought forward to the Budget of FY 2024-25.

Statutory Compliances

All statutory compliances including, Filing of TDS and GST Returns for this FY, and filing of IT Returns of the previous FY, have been met.

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the members of Council on Monuments and Sites

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the Financial Statements of **Council on Monuments and Sites**, which comprise the Balance sheet as at March 31st 2024, Statement of Income and Expenditure for and Receipts & Payments Account for the year then ended, and notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Society as at March 31st, 2024 and of deficit of income over expenditure for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Standards on Auditing (SAs) issued by ICAI. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by ICAI and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Key Audit Matters

We have determined that there is no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the Financial Statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position and Statement of Income and Expenditure of the Society in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India. This responsibility includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and presentation of the Financial Statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Financial Statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements the financial results that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial results may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial results.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Reports on other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

We report that:

- a) We have obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purpose of our audit.
- b) In our opinion proper book of accounts as required by law have been kept by the Society so far as appears from our examination of those books.
- c) The Balance Sheet, Statement of Income and Expenditure and Receipts & Payments Account, dealt with by this report are in agreement with the books of accounts.
- d) In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements reflect a true and fair view in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in India.
 1. In case of the Balance Sheet of the state of affairs of the Society as at 31st March, 2024,
 2. In case of Statement of Income and Expenditure, deficit of income over expenditure of the Society for the year ended 31st March 2024 and
 3. In case of Receipts & Payments Account, of the receipts and payments of the Society the year ended on that date.

For D K Sharma & Associates
Chartered Accountants
FRN No: 021998N




Deepak Kumar
Proprietor
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Delhi, dated 10th June 2024

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Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2024

Particulars	Notes	As at 31/03/2024	As at 31/03/2023
Sources of Funds			
General Fund	3	6517925	7471084
Current Liabilities & Provisions			
Other Current Liability	4	829020	746858
Total		7346945	8217942
Applications of Funds			
Non-Current Assets			
Fixed Assets	5	23399	34197
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank/ in hand	6	5747642	6678670
Other current Assets	7	1575903	1505075
Total		7346945	8217942
Significant accounting policies	2		

This is the balance sheet referred to in our report of even date.

for and on behalf of
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Statement for Income & Expenditure for the year ended 31st March 2024

Particulars	Notes	Current Year	Previous Year
Income			
Revenue from Operations	8	1109000	1296866
Other Income	9	206801	254881
Total Income		1315801	1551747
Expenses			
Employee Benefit Expenses	10	602673	669629
Other expenses	11	1629927	1695164
Total Expenses		2232600	2364793
Excess of Income over Expenditure		(916799)	(813046)
Tax Expenses:			
Current Tax Provision		0	0
Prior Year Tax		36360	0
Net Surplus		(953159)	(813046)
Significant accounting policies	2		

This is the statement of income and expenditure referred to in our report of even date.

for and on behalf of
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Delhi, dated 10th June 2024

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Note no.

3 General Fund

Particulars	As at 31/03/2024	As at 31/03/2023
Opening Balance	7471084	8284130
Add: Surplus(Deficit)	(953159)	(813046)
	6517925	7471084

4 Other Current Liabilities

Particulars	As at 31/03/2024	As at 31/03/2023
Liabilities for Expenses		
International Council on Monuments and Site	654212	578263
Arushi Bisaria-Imprest	3583	2472
Akanksha Malik Parashar-Imprest	1537	-
Anuradha Chaturvedi- Imprest	2128	-
Beena	1200	1200
Priyanka Singh	-	-
School of Planning & Architecture Hostel Mess	12496	-
Awadhesh Kumar	16200	16200
Designdot Technologies Pvt. Ltd.	356	-
D K Sharma & Associates	58500	58500
Satyam Grafic	6608	-
Vishnu K. Suresh- Stipend Payable	-	10000
TDS Payable	10700	11896
Salary Payable		
Arushi Bisaria	35000	35000
Akanksha Malik Parashar	25000	-
Simran Deshpande	-	25827
Stipend Payable	-	7000
Excess Payment Received from Members		
Sarah Chauhan (to be refunded)	-	500
R C Agarwal (to be refunded)	1500	-
	829020	746858

5 Fixed Assets

Description of Assets	W D V as on 01.04.2023	Addition	Deduction	Total	Depreciation For the Year	W D V as on 31.03.2024
Laptop	22674	0	Nil	22674	9070	13604
Printer	11523	0	Nil	11523	1728	9795
Total	34197	0	Nil	34197	10798	23399

6 Cash and cash equivalents

Particulars	As at 31/03/2024	As at 31/03/2023
Balance with Kotak Mahindra Bank	5747642	6678670
	5747642	6678670

7 Other Current Assets

Particulars	As at 31/03/2024	As at 31/03/2023
Advance to Projects	45000	45000
Security Deposit Rent	75000	75000
Somdatt Chamber-II Owners Association	95	-
Vaishali Prasad Latkar	-	8000
GST	1455809	1369575
TDS	-	7500
	1575903	1505075

8 Revenue from Operations

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Membership Fee:		
Associates	139500	165000
Individuals	742000	748500
Institutional Members	150000	150000
Student Members	20000	14500
Young Professional Members	57500	54500
Symposium Fee	-	81993
Charges on Account of Tickets Sold	-	7373
Research Project	-	75000
	1109000	1296866

9 Other Income

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Saving Bank Interest	206801	244333
Exchange Rate Variation	-	10548
	206801	254881

10 Employee benefit expenses

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Salaries, Stipends & Honorarium	602673	669629
	602673	669629

11 Other Expenses

Particulars	Current Year	Previous Year
Audit Fees	40000	40000
Bank Charges	2845	3157
CC Avenue Charges	5739	6735
AGM Expenses	103277	62643
Postage & Courier Charges	11496	8548
Conveyance	8082	15529
Depreciation	10798	17149
Electricity Expenses	25940	34960
Event Expenses	12496	-
Foreign Bank Charges/Exchange Rate Variation	10078	-
Internet & telephone expenses	12317	11668

IT Expenses	67424	115459
Membership Fee	654212	578263
Other Office Expenses	26653	39614
Miscellaneous Expenses	4035	11436
Professional Fee	261000	255000
Printing & Stationery	26204	35509
Proofreading ExpenseS	-	49560
Rent	280000	264000
Research & Documentation (Photography)	7000	-
Repairs & Maintenance	25988	18292
Repairs & Maintenance Computer	2344	-
Site Survey	32000	-
Awards & Trophies	-	8640
Tour & Travelling Expenses	-	119001
	1629927	1695164

- 12 During the year under review, a sum of Rs. 588341/- (Euro 6475) was remitted outside India to ICOMOS International in foreign currency.
- 13 Previous years' figures have been regrouped/ recasted to make them comparable.

Signatures to notes 1 to 13

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FISCAL PLANNING: FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-25

The Annual Budget for financial year 2024-2025 provides a framework for a bouquet of items of expenditure up to an amount of Rs. 39,07,775 though no more than 2/3rds of the budget may be used, unless external funding is received for expenses beyond that. This is to ensure that the annual deficit is maintained to a minimum, since the income anticipated to be generated is Rs. 22,27,000. This follows the same principle of financial management followed in the past financial years of the triennium.

The major source of income, as evidenced by previous years, continues to be expected to be generated through collection of annual membership fees and registrations from the annual scientific symposium. The annual bank interest is anticipated to contribute to up to 10% of the income (or Rs.2,07,000 lakhs), and should be maintained at this threshold, at the very least. Another 20% of the income (or up to Rs.5 lakhs) should be generated through collaborative activities with other Institutions to support research projects, training and outreach activities, as well as, through donations to the corpus of COMOS for its sustained existence and work. Fundraising and developing partnerships will be essential to achieve this target.

Expenditure is proposed under two core heads - A: COMOS Secretariat, and B: Research, Advocacy, Capacity Building and Outreach - amounting to Rs. 23,24,145 and Rs. 13,91,750 respectively (excluding GST).


Running of the COMOS Secretariat, includes office expenses, salaries and consultancies. Almost a quarter of the expenditure under this head is allocated for transfer to the ICOMOS International Secretariat as membership dues.

Expenditure towards Research, Advocacy, Capacity Building and Outreach, takes into account expenditure within the core institutional structures of ICOMOS India - its Zones, NSCs, EPWG and Working Groups - and builds from allocations in past budgets.

Costs towards digital platforms - such as a zoom subscription and associated add-ons, in addition to monies for maintenance and upgrades to ICOMOS India's official website - form the backbone to support communication within the organization and with the public as the core means of outreach.

Financial support to research projects led by NSCs has been extended for 6 months till September 2024 only. The projects are to be completed within this extended period, after which the amount will be forfeited.

Funding allocated for four E-publications has been brought forward from the budgets of the past three years. Monies for two more possible E-publications also finds place in this year's budget.

 COMOS (COUNCIL ON MONUMENTS AND SITES) Annual Budget 2024-25						
INCOME						
Category	Income Description		Details	Total		
A						
ANTICIPATED INCOME						
1	1.1	Membership Fee	13,50,000			
	1.2	Reimbursement of Advance Payments (2019 Research Projects)	45,000			
	1.3	Bank Interest	2,07,000			
	1.4	Registrations from Scientific Symposium	1,20,000	22,72,000		
	1.5	Collaborative activities with other Institutions	3,50,000			
	1.6	Donations	2,00,000			
		Total A		22,72,000		
EXPENDITURE						
Category	Expenditure Description		Details	Operating Expenditure	Capital Expenditure	Total
A						
COMOS Secretariat						
1	1.1	N/A	0	0	0	0
2	2.1	Office rental (@Rs. 25,920/ Month (12 Months))	3,11,040	3,11,040		
	2.2	Repair and Maintenance	10,305	10,305		
	2.3	Telephone & Internet (@Rs. 950/ Month (12 Month))	11,400	11,400		
	2.4	Printing & Stationary	60,000	60,000		
	2.5	Postage	30,000	30,000		
	2.6	Travel & Conveyance	75,000	75,000		
	2.7	Payment Portal Charges (CC Avenue)	20,000	20,000		
	2.8	Electricity	36,000	36,000		
	2.9	Miscellaneous	50,000	50,000		6,03,745
	3.1	Executive Assistant (@Rs. 35000 per month)	4,20,000	4,20,000		
	3.2	Research Assistant @Rs. 25000/month	3,00,000	3,00,000		
	3.3	Cleaner @Rs. 1200/month	14,400	14,400		7,34,400
	4.1	Auditing & Associated Statutory Accounting Work (preparation of Audit Report + Half yearly review + filing of ITR & form 10AB + form 15ACB)	85,000	85,000		
	4.2	Yearly Accounting	2,16,000	2,16,000		
	4.3	Additional Statutory Accounting Expenditure (need-based)	25,000	25,000		3,26,000
5	5.1	Membership fee to ICOMOS Secretariat	6,80,000	6,80,000		6,80,000
		Total A		23,24,145	0	23,24,145
B						
Research, Advocacy, Capacity Building & Outreach						
6	6.1	Zoom Pro Annual Subscription (100 People Maximum Capacity)	14,000	14,000		14,000
	7.1	2 x Zoom add-ons for large events @Rs. 7000/- (Rs. 3500 for extra participants and cloud storage each)	14,000	14,000		
	7.2	Logistical Support for AGM (Refer AGM Budget for details)	1,00,000	1,00,000		
	7.3	Logistical Support for Scientific Symposium (Not exceeding earnings from the event)	1,00,000	1,00,000		2,14,000
8	8.1	Zoom add-on for large event @Rs. 7,000/- (Rs. 3500 for extra participants and cloud storage each)	7,000	7,000		7,000
	9.1	2023: Rs. 1,50,000 (Large), Rs. 1,00,000 (Medium), Rs. 75,000 (Small)	4,50,000	4,50,000		
	9.2	2021: Rs. 17,750/1,02,000 (NSC 20C), Rs. 25,000/25,000 (NSC ARSAH) Rs. 33,000/65,000 (NSC Training) *amount needs to be utilized only till 30th September and beyond this it will forfeited	75,750	75,750		5,25,750
10	10.1	6 Zones @ Rs. 20,000 each	1,20,000	1,20,000		1,20,000
11	11.1	6 Zones @ Rs. 5,000 each	30,000	30,000		30,000
12	12.1	5 working groups @ Rs. 15,000 each	75,000	45,000		45,000
13	13.1	2 Capacity Building Workshops @ Rs. 25,000 per workshop	50,000	50,000		50,000
	14.1	2 E-Publications @ max Rs. 50,000 per publication (balance to be supported by external sources)	1,00,000		1,00,000	
	14.2	4 E-Publications in progress (SS2019, SS2020 (Partially paid), SS2021, SS2023) @ Max 50,000/- per publication (balance to be supported by external sources)	1,80,000		1,80,000	2,80,000
	15.1	Web hosting and domain	6,000	6,000		
	15.2	Website Updates	20,000		20,000	
	15.3	Website Maintenance	30,000	30,000		56,000
16	16.1	Miscellaneous	50,000	50,000		50,000
		Total B		10,91,750	3,00,000	13,91,750
Total Proposed Expenditure (A+B)				34,15,895	3,00,000	37,15,895
C						
Duties and Taxes						
17	17.1	GST at 18% IT subscriptions, Rent, Consultancies, publications, Website updates & Maintenance	1,91,880	1,91,880		1,91,880
		Total C		1,91,880	0.00	1,91,880
Total Proposed Expenditure Including Taxes (A+B+C)				36,07,775	3,00,000	39,07,775



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