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### World Water Day – 2024 celebrated at IEI



1. Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS, Divisional, Commissioner, Jammu; *Chief Guest*, Er. Hamesh Manchanda, Chief Engineer, Jal Shakti Department, Jammu, *Guest of Honour* flanked by Prof. Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE; Chairman & Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE; Hony. Secretary of IEI, Jammu Centre on the dais on the occasion of World Water Day. Er. P. K. Nanda, FIE is also seen while presenting his paper on the theme.
2. A section of audience during the Seminar.

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre celebrated World Water Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2024 which was attended by Engineers from various Departments, Organizations and Senior Engineers along with Members of the Committee of IEI, Jammu Local Centre. The seminar was held on the theme “*Water for Peace*”. On this occasion, Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu was the *Chief Guest* & Er. Hamesh Manchanda, Chief Engineer, Jal Shakti Department, Jammu was the *Guest of Honour*.

At the outset, Prof. (Dr.) Bhawna Sharma, FIE; Chairman Jammu Centre during the *Welcome Address* emphasized that water has the power to either foster peace or ignite conflict. She highlighted that scarcity, pollution and unequal access to water can exacerbate tensions at both local and global levels. Furthermore, she underscored that the Public health, prosperity, food systems, energy, economic productivity, and environmental integrity all hinge on a well-managed water cycle. She appealed to everyone to take action and said that all of us can make a difference by changing the way we use, consume and manage water in our lives.



Er. Hamesh Manchanda

Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS, Divisional, Commissioner, Jammu lauded the role of the Institution for its unwavering commitment towards the goal of spreading awareness on water conservation and making all endeavors towards sensitizing the society at large in J&K towards larger goal of sustainable development.

Er. Hamesh Manchanda, MIE; *Guest of Honour* also spoke on the occasion and apprised the house with different ways and means for conserving the water properly. He also advocated that the water should be used most judiciously.



Sh. Ramesh Kumar, IAS

During the course of seminar, Er. P. K. Nanda, FIE; Er. Ajay Sharma, FIE; Er. Sumil Goyal, MIE; Er. Ranjeev Sawhney, MIE; Er. Prabjot Singh Gandhi, AMIE; and Er. Anil Kumar, AMIE presented their papers on the theme. Er. Lovneesh Talwar, HOD, YCET; Er. Akash Dugotra, AMIE had also submitted their papers on theme. The speakers highlighted the need to save & value water for peaceful co-existence. Speakers also highlighted & deliberated various methods to be adopted for proper conservation of water so that this most precious life saving resource is saved for the future generations. Their suggestions projected were appreciated and duly endorsed by the Chief Guest.

Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE, Honorary Secretary also said that when we cooperate on water, we create a positive ripple effect – fostering harmony, generating prosperity and building resilience to shared challenges. He also advocated that we must act upon the realization that water is not only a resource to be used and competed over – it is a human right, intrinsic to every aspect of life. He also conducted the proceedings of the event and presented the *Vote of Thanks* to the august gathering present on the occasion and media personnel for their active coverage.



**Engineers  
presenting their  
Papers on  
World Water Day**

## AMIE Section- A & Section – B (Summer Session) Examinations held



**Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE; Honorary Secretary, IEI, Jammu Local Centre inspecting & overseeing the AMIE Examinations at the Examination Centre**

Examinations (Summer Session – 2023) for AMIE aspirants were conducted at Govt. Polytechnic for Women, Shiv Nagar, Jammu w.e.f. 16<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>th</sup> March, 2024. Ninety candidates were registered for the examination. This Centre is grateful to the Er. Suket Gupta, Principal; Officer-In-Charge of these examinations & the staff of the above said Institution for their association and cooperation for conducting the examinations smoothly.

## OBITUARIES

Er. M. N. Sharma, MIE; Executive Engineer (Retd.) passed away on 2<sup>nd</sup> of March, 2024. Er. Sharma was a senior Member of The Institution of Engineers (India). He was born in Kathua (J&K) in the year 1932. After doing diploma in Civil Engineering, He joined J&K State Services in Public Works Department as Sectional Officer. Later, he passed AMIE at very young age. He retired as Executive Engineer at the age of 58 in 1990.

He lived his life well and left an indelible mark on the work of Public Works Department in R&B Wing and Rural Engineering Wing.

*This Centre expresses its deepest condolences on his sad demise and prays to Almighty to grant peace to the departed soul and bestow courage to the bereaved family members to bear this colossal loss.*

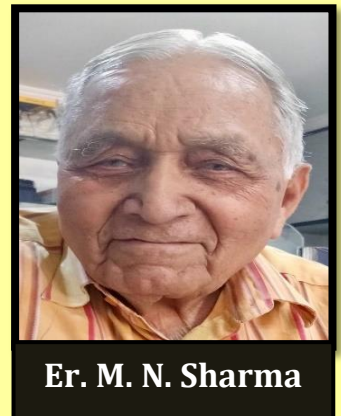
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Er. Jia Lal Gupta, MIE; Executive Engineer (Retd.) passed away on 13<sup>th</sup> of March, 2024. He was born on 7<sup>th</sup> May, 1945. Er Gupta after doing graduation in Civil Engineering from REC Srinagar (now NIT) in 1968 joined J&K State Services as Technical Assistant on 16<sup>th</sup> July, 1969. By the dint of his hard work, he was elevated to the post of Executive Engineer and retired on the same post from PHE City Division, Jammu on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2003.

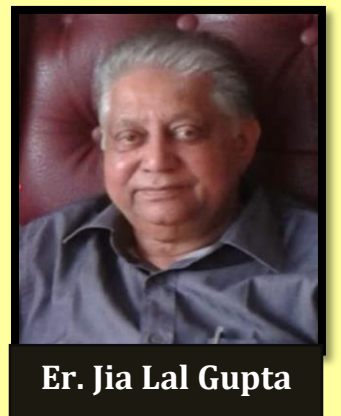
Er. Gupta was an upright person, a competent engineer and a lovable personality in the engineering circle.

*This Centre expresses its deepest condolences on his sad demise and prays to Almighty to grant peace to the departed soul and bestow courage to the bereaved family members to bear this colossal loss.*

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**Er. M. N. Sharma**



**Er. Jia Lal Gupta**



**PLEASE PLANT A TREE TO BREATHE FREE**



## IEI celebrates World Engineering Day - 2024



1. Sh. Arun Aggarwal, ITS, Deputy Director General, Department of Telecommunication, Jammu J&K (Ministry of Communications) flanked by Prof. Dr. Bhawna Sharma, FIE; Chairman & Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE; Hony. Secretary of IEI, Jammu Centre on the dais.
2. A Section of audience during the seminar.

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Centre celebrated the World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development on 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 with theme “*Engineering Solutions for a Sustainable World*”. The event was attended by Engineers from various Departments, Organizations and Corporate Members along with Members of the Committee of IEI, Jammu Local Centre.

The day is celebrated worldwide on 4<sup>th</sup> of March every year since 2020 as a UNESCO International Day of Celebration of Engineers and Engineering.

On this occasion, Sh. Arun Aggarwal, ITS, Deputy Director General, Department of Telecommunication, Jammu J&K (Ministry of Communications) was the *Chief Guest* whereas Prof. (Dr.) Bhawna Sharma, Chairman, IEI Jammu Centre presided over the function.

At the outset, Prof. (Dr.) Bhawna Sharma while welcoming the august gathering said that the rapid technological progress including advancements in Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things and Renewable Energy, empowers engineers to devise innovative and ecofriendly solutions. These emerging technologies are being leveraged to optimize resource use, improve environmental monitoring, and enable data driven decision making for sustainable development.



Sh. Arun Aggarwal, ITS

Sh. Arun Aggarwal, Chief Guest on the occasion highlighted the role of engineers in achieving the goal in sustainable development through development of holistic solutions to the problems being faced by the mankind.

During the seminar, Er. P. K. Nanda, FIE; Er. Ajay Sharma, FIE; Er. B. L. Rawal, MIE; Er. Ranjeev Sawhney, MIE; Er. Sumil Goyal, MIE; Er. Joy Ganjoo, AM Technologist, Er. Lovneesh Talwar, HOD, YCET and Er. Rajnish Magotra, HOD, YCET Jammu presented their papers.

Er. Sachin Tickoo, MIE, Honorary Secretary conducted the proceedings of the event. While speaking on the occasion, he said this day offers an opportunity to highlight engineers and engineering achievements in our modern world and improve public understanding of how engineering and technology are central to modern life for sustainable development.

He further presented the *Vote of Thanks* to the august gathering and media personnel for active participation.



Engineers presenting their papers on “World Engineering Day”

## IEI COMPLEX

SECTOR - 3, CHANNI HIMMAT, JAMMU

The Institution of Engineers (India), Jammu Local Centre has created facilities at Institutional Complex, Sector – 3, Channi Himmat, Jammu which comprises of 01 No state-of-the-art “Bharat Ratna Sir M. Visvesvaraya Centre for Arbitration & Conciliation - Domestic & International”, 01 No. AC Auditorium and 06 Nos. AC Double Bed Rooms. In addition to this, there is an Air-Conditioned Library which can be used by the AMIE students and other engineers of this region for consulting the latest technical books for updating their knowledge.

The rooms can be utilized by the Corporate Members of the Institution for their/their Guests’ use. Auditorium can be utilized for techno-commercial activities like Technical Seminars, Commercial Exhibitions, Science Exhibitions, Book Fairs, etc. related to engineering/technological fields and the like. Further, Corporate Members of this Centre are informed that now Auditorium Hall will also be available to them for small parties and mini functions with restriction that DJs & Fire Crackers will not be allowed to be played inside it. Centre for Arbitration & Conciliation is also available for official and corporate meetings.

*It is pertinent to mention here that “Donation to the Institution is exempted from Taxable Income of the donor under Section 80G (5) (vi) of Income Tax Act.*

Hence engineers of this region are requested to donate generously for the upliftment of Jammu Local Centre.

## FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

### World Telecommunication & Information Society Day

(WTISD) on 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2024

Theme: “Digital Innovation for Sustainable Development.”

### World Environment Day

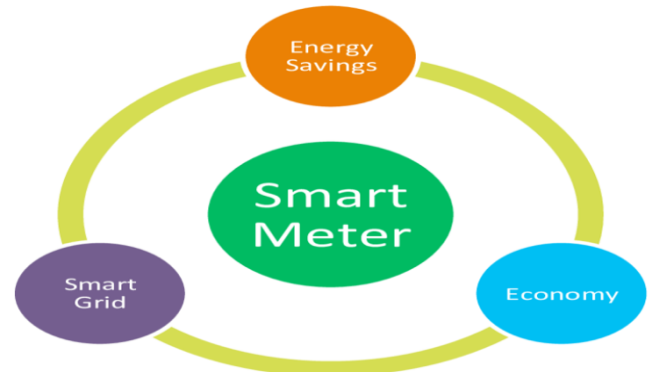
(WED) on 05<sup>th</sup> June, 2024

Theme: “Awaited”

The interested Corporate Members, Colleague Engineers & Engineering Students are requested to submit the papers by 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 for WTISD & 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 for WED so that the same are listed for presentation.

They are further requested to ensure that their Papers/Power Point presentations align with the designated Theme, emphasizing local problems and proposing fresh innovative solutions instead of copying content from the internet.

## SWITCH TO SMART METERS - SMART SHURUAT



## Congratulations

### New & Upgraded Members!

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F- 1303577	Er. Samir Sharma
F- 1304530	Er. Ashok Kumar Varma
F- 1305448	Er. Mohinder Singh
M-1792725	Er. Vijay Kumar Sharma
AM-3119257	Er. Neeraj Kumar Bhagat
AM-3115367	Er. Jatin Pukhraj
AM-3120239	Er. Anil Kumar



## EDITORIAL BOARD



Dr. Bhavna Sharma, FIE  
Chairman cum Editorial Director



Er. P K Nanda, FIE  
Member



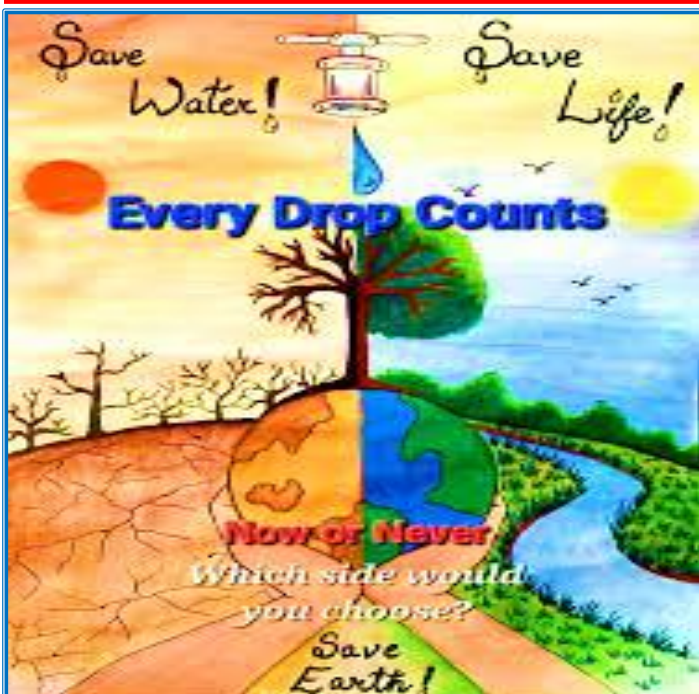
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