



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF IEEE BOMBAY SECTION  
HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 2007 AT ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB, APOLLO BUNDER,  
BOMBAY 400 039**

1. The meeting was called to order by Prof U B Desai, Chair IEEE Bombay Section who took the chair along with other office bearers. Prof Desai thanked the members for their presence at the meeting. He also thanked the current Execom, the Chapter Chairs, Student Branch Counsellors and Student Branch Chairs and all members for their support. He mentioned that the Section was moving to electronic format and towards paperless communication. Prof Desai then displayed the agenda for the AGM.
2. The Minutes of 2006 AGM were taken up and approval of the same was proposed by Mr. A Banerjee and seconded by Mr. P R Bapat. Accordingly the Minutes were approved by the General Body.
3. Secretary, Mr. Anthony Lobo made a presentation highlighting the various conferences, symposia and activities conducted and supported by the Section in 2007. He also talked about activities of the various Section Society Chapters and detailed the support which had been provided by the Section.
4. Mr Ashok Jagatia, Treasurer then presented his report and the budget. He depicted the current Net Worth and the trend analysis comparing HQ Rebate versus major heads of expenses such as Student Activities, Sub-Section and Chapter support, Professional Activities, etc.
5. Mr Raju Hira, Vice Chair mentioned that we would need to increase membership of the section as well as the number of professional activities to add value to members.
6. Mr Kirit Sheth, EMS Chair, stressed this aspect of value add to members and the role of IEEE Societies in helping achieve more offerings which would be beneficial to members. He opined that the IEEE Bombay Section could consider becoming more localized in the manner of the Rotary Club.
7. Prof Desai suggested that we should also be leveraging facilities like webcasts and Skype to connect with members. CDs from audio or video recordings of talks could be distributed.

8. Mr Shreyas Desai, GOLD member, felt that there should be more networking among members of IEEE for mentorship, knowledge sharing and building communities of practice.
9. Dr Shrikant Parikh, Vice Chair of EMS, detailed his plans for the Section Job Fair, which would bring together IEEE student members as well as reputed organizations seeking to recruit talent. This would be held at SPCE, Andheri. The event would also serve as a Membership drive activity for IEEE.
10. Prof. Desai requested members to come forward and identify at least one company that would put up stall at the job fair. The responses were enthusiastic, with many members volunteering to help in connecting with various companies.
11. Mr. R Muralidharan updated the members on the plans of the Section to bid for Globecom 2011. Regular communication was being held with IEEE Communications Society who had shown interest. As of the present there was a good chance that Bombay would be successful.
12. Dr. D J Doke, who had just been awarded the RAB Leadership Award "For leadership in propagating awareness of industry applications of electrical & power engineering" in 2007 was felicitated by the Section. The Members present were appreciative of this honour which is awarded by IEEE on a global basis. Dr Doke was just one of three awardees, the others being from North America.
13. The Slate of Office bearers for the year 2007 was presented and the Presiding Officer, Prof M M Shah advised that in the absence of any petition candidates, the members proposed were elected for the coming year. Accordingly Prof Uday Desai, as Chair along with Mr. Raju Hira as Vice Chair, Mr. Anthony Lobo as Secretary and Mr. Ashok Jagatia as Treasurer would continue in office for 2008.
14. Prof Desai, the Chair of Bombay Section, expressed his thanks to Prof M M Shah and to his team of office bearers and assured the members present that they would continue to uphold the values of IEEE and further the activities and ideals of the Section.
15. The meeting ended with a Vote of thanks and the members adjourned for the Annual Dinner.

Anthony Lobo  
Secretary  
IEEE Bombay Section