

IEEE BOMBAY SECTION

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A PROFILE OF THE SECTION

The IEEE Bombay is the largest and one of the most active Sections in India. It has, at the latest count, over 5500 members, of which about two-thirds are student members. This represents a growth of about 44 % on a year-to-year basis. The Section now has the second largest number of student branches - over 45 - amongst all Sections world-wide.

NEW ENTITIES

We have two new entities in the Section. One is the Madhya Pradesh subsection, formed in late 2001, and intended to serve the MP members better. The Chair of this is Dr. Shubhalaxmi Kher. The other is the new Bombay Chapter of the Engineering Management Society (EMS), formed in August of this year, and chaired by Mr. Kirit Sheth. The EMS Chapter is the fifth Society Chapter in the Section, the other four being: Computer Society Chapter, Communications Society Chapter, joint Antennas & Propagation

Society / Electron Devices Society Chapter, and joint Power Engineering Society / Industry Applications Society Chapter.

INFORMATION BY EMAIL

This year, we have started to reach out to members by email. If you are not getting updates of events and other useful information by email, and you would like to do so, please contact Mr. Anthony Lobo at anthonylobo@ieee.org.

EVENTS

The IEEE Bombay Section has held a number of interesting events, like talks, seminars, student activities and workshops during the year. Several more events are being planned for the remaining months of this year. These events are listed on a separate page. For exact details and up-to-date information on forthcoming events, please check the website of the IEEE Bombay Section at www.ieee.org/bombay/, or look out for the email announcement.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the IEEE Bombay Section will be held on Saturday, 14th December 2002, at the Royal Bombay Yacht Club, Near Gateway of India, Colaba, Mumbai, at 6:30 pm. All voting members are cordially invited. The AGM will be followed by a contributory dinner at Rs. 100 per head for members and their spouses. Please fill up the form and send it in before December 1, 2002. Come meet old friends and make new contacts!

AWARDS

The IEEE Bombay Section congratulates students and volunteers from our Section who won prestigious IEEE awards:

- VESIT won the award for the best website amongst all IEEE student branches in Region 10.
- A team from Sardar Patel College of Engg was a finalist in the IEEE Computer Society's Internatn'l Design Competition.
- Mr. H. Kalyanasundaram received an award for Outstanding Volunteer in Region 10.

GOLD GROUP

The IEEE Bombay Section now has a GOLD (Graduates of the Last

Decade) affinity group. All members who have graduated in the last decade, and would like to participate in these activities, please contact the GOLD Chair, Dr. S. Dutta at s.dutta@ieee.org.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

You will soon be receiving your Membership Renewal Form for the year 2003. Please renew your membership early!

CAST YOUR BALLOT

You would have received the Ballot papers for the IEEE 2002 Annual Election for IEEE President-Elect and Director, Region 10. If you haven't done so already, please send in your vote right away - the last date for receipt is November 1, 2002 in the USA. Please note that the ballot papers include an International Reply Paid Envelope.

WE'RE LISTENING

We welcome suggestions from members about the kind of activities that they are interested in, and would like to see in the Bombay Section. Please send your suggestions to j.vasi@ieee.org. For any help regarding IEEE matters, please contact the Chapter Chair at j.vasi@ieee.org.