## First World Summit on Accreditation (WOSA 2012)

Hotel Ashok, New Delhi (March 25-28, 2012)

## Report

National Board of Accreditation (NBA) had organized first time first world summit on Accreditation (WOSA – 2012) on March 25-28, 2012 at Hotel Ashok, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi with the theme 'Achieving Excellence through Accreditation'. Registration was arranged on **March 25, 2012** between 4-7pm. It was unorganized and was finished till late 9 pm. A professional networking cultural program was arranged before welcome dinner. Reach late at 10-30pm at hotel Durga Deluxe.

Inaugural function was arranged on March 26, Monday in convention hall of Hotel Ashok. Respected Shri Kapil Sibal, Honourable Minister of Human Resources Development (HRD) and Telecommunication, Govt. of India had inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp. Shri G. Prabhakar, the Institute of Engineering (India), Kolkata. Had introduced the guests and welcomed the delegates. Dr. Dinesh Kr. Paliwal, Member Secretary of India had given brief introduction and objectives behind organizing this summit. Dr. Hu Hanrahan, Chair of Washington Accord had unveiled the souvenir. Ms. Rekha Sethi, Director General of All India Management Association, New Delhi had given vote of thanks. Nearly 800 delegates from all states of India and abroad were participated in this summit. Dr. N. M. Patel, Principal, BMCPER had attended this summit.

Sessions covered in WOSA – 2012 were for Engineering and Management and divided into Special session, Technical session, Paper presentation session and Joint session. Eminent personalities from the respective field were selected for delivering lectures. All the lectures were more informative and were live during question answer session.

After short tea break a special session – I was organized on theme 'Corporate Perspective on Accreditation' chaired by Mr. Satish Pradhan, chief group HR of Tata sons. Speakers were also from corporate sectors like;

- 1. Mr. Suresh Mhatre, Vice President of TCS Ltd.,
- 2. Sh. Anil Sachdev CEO of SOIL,
- 3. Dr. Uma Ganesh CEO of Global Talent Track
- 4. Ms. Amrita Ganotra, Director, Bharti Airtel Ltd.

After lunch break Special session – II on theme 'Washington Accord on UG Engineering Education' was chaired by Dr. Hu Hanrahan, Chair of Washington Accord. Key speakers were;

- 1. Dr. David K. Hogler, past president of ABET,
- 2. Dr. Kai Sang Lock, former president of the Institute of Engineering, Singapore
- 3. Prof. R. M. Unnikrishanan, Dean/Mentor of College of Engg. & Comp. Sci., California State University.

Special session – III on the theme 'International Accreditation of Management Programme' for Management was chaired by Dr. Eileen Peacock, Sr. Vice President of AACSB International Ltd. USA. Speakers were;

- 1. Prof. Krishna Dhir, H.G. Prof. of Management Campbell school of Business, USA,
- 2. Dr. B. S. Sahay, director of IIT, Raipur and
- 3. Prof. Barbara H. Nemecek, Dean of Dillard College of business Administration, IX, USA.

Paper presentation session – I for Engineering on theme 'Process Re-engineering through accreditation' was chaired by Dr. Om Vokas, former director of IIITM, Gwalior. Papers were presented by;

- 1. Dr. R. Murugesan, president ISTE & VC of Anna University of Technology, Madurai,
- 2. Dr. Krishna Murthy Ramchandra, Rtd. Jt. Director DTE, Karnataka,
- 3. Dr. Donald L. McEahron, Research Prof. & Sr. Lecturer of Drexel University, USA,
- 4. Prof. D. K. Gautam, Director of IACQER, New Delhi,
- 5. Prof. Ankur Gupta, Jt. Director, Model Institute of Engg. and Tech., Jammu Kashmir
- 6. Prof. Brahadeeswaran D. Formally Prof. and Head of National Institute of Technical Teachers Training and Research, Tamil Nadu.

After short tea break Technical Session - I for Engineering on theme 'Quality Assurance & Accreditation in Engineering Education' was chaired by Dr. Remaud Bernard, President of Commission Des Titres d'Ingenieur (CTI), France. Key speakers were;

- 1. Prof. Martin Henson, Dean of International Development, University of Essex, UK,
- 2. Dr. William R. Fromme, Principal of CALIBRE Systems, Alexandria, Virgiana, USA
- 3. Dr. Jagannathan Patil, Endeavour Australia fellow Vice President of Asia Pacific Quality Network & Dy Advisor, NAAC, Banglore.

Technical Session-I for management on theme 'Quality Assurance & Accreditation - in Management Education' was chaired by Prof. Rajan Saxena, VC, NMIMS, Mumbai. Key speakers were;

- 1. Prof. Rakesh Sah Asso. Prof. of Finance, Montana State university-Billings USA,
- 2. Prof. Vinayshil Gautam Chair Prof. IIT, Delhi,
- 3. Sh. A. Thothathri Raman, Chaiman SEAA Trust, Delhi
- 4. Sh. Vineeet Joshi, Chaiman, CBSE, Delhi.

Paper presentation session – II for Management on theme 'Assessment tools for Quality Assurance Programme in Technical and Professional Education', was chaired by Prof. Stephen Rawlinson, President of JRE Group of institutions, UP. Key speakers were;

- 1. Dr. Raj Agrawal, Director of CME, AIMA, New Delhi.
- 2. Dr. R. Nandagopal, Director of PSG Institute of Management, Tamil Nadu,
- 3. Dr. K. M. Mital, Dir. of GIFT School of Human Values & Management. Ethos, New Delhi
- 4. Dr. Ganesh A. Hegde, Asst. Advisor of NAAC, Banglore.

## March 27, Tuesday

Technical Session - II for Engineering on theme 'Evolving Practices in Engineering Accreditation' was chaired by Prof. S. C. Sahasrabudhe, Director of Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information & Communication Techniques, Gujarat setting and context with Sh. E. Ahmed Hon'ble Minister of State HRD (EA). Key speakers were;

- 1. Prof. Ajay Khare, Director of school of Planning and Architecture, Bhopal,
- 2. Mr. Dhanjay Singh Ex. Director of National HRD Network, Guragaon and
- 3. Prof. V. Lakshmi Narasimhan, Commissioner of ABET.

Technical Session - II for Management on theme 'Harmonizing the Accreditation Process of management Education' was chaired by Dr. Rolf Groseth, Chancellor, Montana state University, USA. Panelist were;

- 1. Mr. Douglas Viehland, Ex. Director of ACBSP, USA,
- 2. Ms. Sharon Bamford, CEO of AMBA UK and
- 3. Mrs. Sushma Berlia, Chancellor, Apeejay Stay University

Paper presentation session - III for Engineering on theme 'Quality Assurance, Accreditation and its benefits', was chaired by Dr. R. Murugesan, President of ISTE, New Delhi & VC of Anna University of Technology, Madurai. Key speakers were;

- 1. Prof. (Dr) Asit Kumar Datta, Prof. of University of Calcutta
- 2. Prof. Krishnamoorthy Ayyasami, Prof. & Head of Sakti Marimman Engg. College, TN
- 3. Dr. Srimathi Hariharan, prof. SRM University, Tamil Nadu
- 4. Prof. Kiran Chidambarrao Shinde, Prof. of SDM College of Engg. Techn. Karnataka
- 5. Prof. Viswanada Raju Somalaraju, Prof. of CSE, JNT University, Hyderabad, AP

After tea break Technical Session- III for Engineering on theme 'Quality Assurance – International Experience' was chaired by Padam Hbushan Prof. P. V. Indiresan, former Director, IIT Madras. Key speakers of the session were;

- 1. Dr. Yavuz Ercil, Secretary General, MUDEK, Turkey
- 2. Prof. O. N. Mohanty, Director, Technology & academic Initiative, Odisha
- 3. Prof. William H. Byrnes, Associate dean, Thomas Jefferson school of law, California, USA
- 4. Mr. Ajay Batra, Head Azim Premji institute for Assessment and Accreditation

Technical Session- III for Management on theme 'Academic Fraud & Quality Assurance' was chaired by Prof. D. K. Bandyopadhyay, VC, Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University, New Delhi. Key speakers of the session were;

- 1. Dr. raj Agrawal, Director, CME, AIMA, New Delhi
- 2. Dr. Upinder Dhar, VC, JK Lakshmipat University, Jaipur
- 3. Mr. Ashish Bhardwaj, Regi. Dir., South Asia Management Admission Council, Guragon

Paper presentation session – IV for Management session on the theme 'Accreditation and Sustainable development' was chaired by Dr. Michael J. Barnes, professor and dean, Jindal Global Business School. Speakers of the session were;

- 1. Prof. Gurubandini Kaur, Asst. Prof. AIMA, New delhi
- 2. Prof. V. K. Nagia, Prof. and Head, IIT Roorke, Uttarakhand
- 3. Dr. Uma Mudenagudi, BVBCET, Hubali
- 4. Dr. Shikha N. Khera, Asst. Prof. Delhi School of Management, DTU, New Delhi

Joint session on theme 'Innovation and Trends in Accreditation Practices' was chaired by Dr. Pritam Singh, DG, International management institute, New Delhi. Key speakers were;

- 1. Dr. Stephen Parker, Dr. Balboa City School of International Studies, San Diego, USA
- 2. Dr. Kumar Aniket, Lecturer in Economics, Murray Edwards & Trinity College university of Cambridge, UK
- 3. Ms. Sharon Bamford, CEO, AMBA, UK
- 4. Dr. Stephen Vincent-Lancrin, Senior Education Analyst and Project Leader, Center for Educational research and Innovation, France

After lunch last concluding Special session IV (Panel Discussion) were arranged on the theme 'Policy Issues in Higher Education for Achieving India's Competitiveness' under the chairmanship of H. E. Shekhar Dutt, Governor of Chhattisgarh and Chancellor Universities in Chhattisgarh. Panel was form by following eminent personalities like;

- 1. Prof. Ved Prakash, Chairman, UGC, New Delhi
- 2. Prof. S. S. Mantha, Chairman AICTE, New Delhi
- 3. Prof. A. Aslam, Vice Chancellor, IGNOU, New Delhi
- 4. MRS. Sarojini Thakur, Chairperson, HP Private Educational Institutions
- 5. Dr. R. P. Sisodia, Jt. Secretary, MHRD, Govt. of India
- 6. Mr. Sanjay Kumar, Principal Secretary, Higher and Technical Education Department, Mahrasthra.

Valedictory function was arranged after short tea break. Prof. Amit Bhatnagar, Prof. AIMA, New Delhi had summarized the proceeding of WOSA 2012. Address on 'India's Preparedness for full signatory status of Washington Accord' was given by Prof. Raman Menon Unikrishanan, Dean/ Mentor of college of Engineering and Computer Science, California State University and Dr. Kai Sang Lock, former president of the Institute of Engineering, Singapore. Prof. S. S. Mantha, Chairman of AICTE had addressed the delegates on 'Policy Perspectives and Recommendation'. Valedictory address was given by Dr. (Smt.) D. Purandeswari, Honourable minister of state HRD. Dr. Dinesh Kr. Paliwal, member Secretary of NBA had expressed votes of thanks. Activities of the day were ended with group photograph.

## March 28, Wednesday

Visit to Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) New Delhi was arranged.



