

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
J&K Regional Branch

**Report of the Hony Secretary at the 35th Annual General Meeting held on
January 4, 2014 at Jammu.**

Dear Members,

I have great pleasure and indeed honour in welcoming you all to the 35th Annual General Meeting of the J&K Regional Branch of Indian Institute of Public Administration.

The 34th Annual General Meeting was held on January 5, 2013 at Jammu. Since then 5 meetings of the Executive Committee, 4 meetings of the Core Group and 3 meetings of Electrical Installation Committee have been held, besides 3 meetings were also held at Srinagar. I am grateful to the Patron, Chairman and Office Bearers and Executive Committee members of the IIPA for taking keen interest in achieving the objectives of the J&K Regional Branch of IIPA.

During the year 2013, following programmes were organised:-

1. **“WORKSHOP ON URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND URBAN SERVICE DELIVERY”.**

One day workshop on **“Urban Development & Urban Service Delivery”** was organised on **January 19, 2013**. Shri Nawang Rigzin Jora, Hon’ble Minister for Urban Development, was the Chief Guest. Shri Suresh Kumar, Principal Secretary (Home) was the Guest of honour. Prof K.K.Pandey, Professor of Urban Development, IIPA, New Delhi, Shri Y.Sachdeva, General Manager RITES, Shri Vinod Malhotra Former Development Commissioner, Town Planning Organisation J&K, Mrs Sarita Chouhan, Vice Chairperson, JDA, Shri Sourabh Bhagat, CEO ERA and Shri Murty Gupta were the speakers. More than 75 participants attended the day long programme.

2. **“UNDERSTANDING CRIME AND CHANGING CRIMINAL BEHAVIOURS- THE NEW PATHWAYS”.**

A lecture on **“Understanding Crime and Changing Criminal behaviour – the new pathways”** by Shri Rameshwar Singh Jamwal, President, Criminologists Society of J&K was organised on **February 26, 2013**. Dr S.P.Vaid Additional Director General of Police (Adm.) was the Chief Guest & Dr Ashok Bhan Chairman IIPA, J&K Regional Branch presided over the function.

3. **“J&K STATE BIODIVERSITY BOARD – A STEP TOWARDS BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION”.**

A lecture on **“J&K State Biodiversity Board- a step towards Biodiversity Conservation”** by Shri Deepak Khanna Director State Forest Research Institute J&K was organised on **March 30, 2013**. Jenab Mian Altaf Ahmad, Hon’ble Minister of Forest was the Chief Guest and Shri Shiekh Ejaz Ahmad Iqbal, Commissioner/Secretary was the Guest of Honour.

4. **“WORKSHOP ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND CONSUMER WELFARE”.**

Two days **“Workshop on Consumer Protection and Consumer Welfare”** was organised in collaboration with Centre for Consumer Studies, IIPA, New Delhi on **April 5-6, 2013**. Shri N.N.Vohra Hon'ble Governor of J&K was the Chief Guest on the inaugural Session. Prof Suresh Misra, Dr Sapna Chadah, Dr Amit Kumar all from IIPA, New Delhi, Shri Nisar Ahmed Executive J&K Bank Ltd., Shri D.S. Chauhan Sr. Advocate, Er. D.S.Pawar, Member J&K SERC and Shri B.L.Saraf former Principal District & Session Judge were the speakers. In the valedictory session Shri Viqar Rasool, Minister of State, CA&PD J&K Government was the Chief Guest.

5. **“AN ECONOMIC OVERVIEW WITH FOCUS OF 12TH FIVE YEAR PLAN (2012-17)”.**

A Lecture on an **“Economic overview with focus of 12th Five Year Plan (2012-17)”** by Shri B.R.Lachotra Director Economics and Statistics J&K was organised on **May 4, 2013**. Prof Dipankar Sen Gupta, Head Department of Economics University of Jammu was the Chief Guest & Shri Y.V.Sharma President, Chamber of Commerce & Industries, Jammu was the Guest of honour.

6. **“THE JAMMU & KASHMIR POLICE DRAFT BILL”.**

Indian Institute of Public Administration J&K Regional Branch in collaboration with the School of Legal Studies, Central University of Kashmir organised a one day seminar on **“Jammu & Kashmir Police Draft Bill”** on **July 8, 2013** at Central University of Kashmir. Prof Wahid Qureshi Vice Chancellor Central University of Kashmir delivered the inaugural address, Prof Mehrajudin, Head & Dean, School of Legal Studies, Shri Wazir, Dr Haseeb Moghul, Prof S.M.Afzal Qadri, Dr Sheikh Showkat were the other speakers on the occasion.

7. **“ELECTIONS AND PARTY SYSTEM IN J&K SINCE 2002”.**

A lecture on the topic **“Elections and Party System in J&K”** by Prof Rekha Choudhary was organised on **July 9, 2013**. Dr S.S. Bloeria, Vice Chancellor Central University of Jammu was the Chief Guest & Dr Ashok Bhan Chairman IIPA, J&K Regional branch presided over the function.

8. **“TRAINING PROGRAMME ON MANAGEMENT COMPETENCIES”.**

A one day training programme on **“Management Competencies”** was held on **August 31, 2013**. The training programme was inaugurated by Shri Shantmanu, Divisional Commissioner, Jammu. Prof Versha Mehta, Director, The Business School, University of Jammu was the Course Director. Prof Alka Sharma, The Business School, University of Jammu was the Co-ordinator. Dr Ashok Bhan, Dr Amisha Gupta, Dr Komal Nagar, Dr Anil Gupta, Dr Neelika Arora were the Resource Persons. Er J.B.S.Johar was the Organising Secretary for the programme, 56 trainees from various State Government department including Police, Civil Administration, SMVDSB and J&K Bank Ltd. attended.

9. **“FOOD SECURITY IN INDIA: ISSUES AND SUGESSTIONS FOR EFFECTIVENESS”.**

A Prelude Conference on **“Food Security in India: issues and Suggestions for Effectiveness”** was organised on **September 21, 2013**. Prof R.L.Bhat, Head Department of Economics, Central University of Jammu was the Key speaker Dr Ashok Bhan Chairman presided over the function.

10. **“LAWS ARE NOT POWERLESS IN PREVENTING CRIME AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN”.**

Indian Institute of Public Administration, J&K Regional Branch in collaboration with Department of Students' Welfare, University of Kashmir organised the Annual Debate Competition on the topic **“Law are not Powerless in Preventing Crime against Women and Children” on September 24, 2013** at Srinagar. The Programme was presided over by Prof Talat Ahmad, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir, Shri Abdul Gani Mir, IGP Kashmir was the Guest of Honour.

11. **“WORKSHOP ON URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND URBAN SERVICE DELIVERY”.**

Indian Institute of Public Administration, J&K Regional Branch in collaboration with Srinagar Municipal Corporation organised a workshop on **“Urban Development and Urban Service Delivery” at SKICC Srinagar on October 7, 2013**. Shri Nawang Rigzin Jora Hon'ble Minister for Urban Development and Urban Local Bodies , Government of J&K was the Chief Guest, Dr G.N.Qasba , Commissioner Srinagar Municipal Corporation, Prof K.K. Pandey, of IIPA, New Delhi, Mr Y.Sachdeva of RITES, Shri Tahsin Mustafa, CEO, ERA, Shri Shafat Noor, Vice Chairman SDA and Shri Bashir Ahmed Khan, Joint Commissioner, SMC were the speakers.

12. **“GENDER JUSTICE: A WAY FORWARD”.**

Indian Institute of Public Administration J&K Regional Branch in collaboration with the School of Legal Studies, Central University Kashmir organised a two-day international Seminar on **“Gender Justice: A way forward” on October 23, 2013**. Shri Mir Saifullah Hon'ble Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs J&K was the Chief Guest. Prof Abdul Wahid, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Kashmir, presided over the function. Prof M.M. Pandey, former Dean and Head faculty of Law, University of Delhi delivered the keynote address. On the concluding day, Justice (Retd.) B.A.Kirmani, President J&K State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, delivered the Valedictory address while Prof Talat Ahmad, Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir presided over the function.

13. **“APPOINTMENT TO THE HIGHER JUDICIARY”**

The IIPA, J&K Regional Branch organised a Panel discussion on **“Appointment to Higher Judiciary” on October 26, 2013**. The panellists to the discussion included eminent legal luminaries like Justice (Retd) O.P.Sharma, Shri D.C.Raina, Senior Advocate and former Advocate General J&K and Prof Arvind Jasrotia, Director, Law School, University of Jammu. The presentation were followed by a lively discussion. Among those who attended the programme were Dr S.S.Bloeria, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Jammu, Shri K.B.Jandial, Member JKPS, Shri A.C. Chaturvedi, former DGP, academicians, jurists and members of the IIPA. Shri B.L.Saraf, former Principal District and Session Judge proposed the formal vote of thanks.

14. **“12TH VEERANNA AIVALLI MEMORIAL DEBATE”**

Indian Institute of Public Administration, J&K Regional branch in collaboration with the Department of Students' Welfare, University of Jammu organised **“12th Veeranna Aivalli Memorial Inter College/department Debate” on November 12, 2013** on the topic **“In the opinion of the house “only Stringent Legal provision can ensure safety of women in the Country”** at Brig. Rajinder Singh Auditorium, University of Jammu. More than 27 teams from various colleges and teaching departments of the University of

Jammu participated in the debate completion. Shri N.N.Vohra Hon'ble Governor J&K was the Chief Guest, Prof M.P.S.Ishar, Vice Chancellor, University of Jammu and Shri Ashok Prasad, IPS Director General of Police, J&K were the Guests of Honour. Earlier Dr Ashok Bhan Chairman J&K Regional Branch while welcoming the dignitaries paid rich tribute to Shri Veeranna Aivalli. The IIPA Newsletter of November 2013, Volume (IV No. 2) was also released by Hon'ble Governor.

15. **“NATIONAL SECURITY SEMINAR ON TERROR AND TRESPASSES IN INDIA’S NORTHERN BORDERS- DECIPHERING THE GRAND STRATEGIES OF PAKISTAN AND CHINA”.**

The J&K Regional Branch of Indian Institute of Public Administration in collaboration with Department of National Security Studies, Central University of Jammu organised a daylong Seminar on the above subject on **November 26, 2013**. The anniversary of 26/11 Mumbai attacks. The Seminar was inaugurated by Dr S.S. Bloeria, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Jammu and Keynote address delivered by Dr Ashok Bhan Chairman IIPA, J&K Regional Branch, Dr J. Jeganaathan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of National Security Studies, Central University of Jammu presented the welcome address and Shri A.M. Watali, former Member J&KPSC proposed the vote of thanks.

The **First Session** chaired by Mr Jayadeva Ranade, Former Additional Secretary, R&AW & Member, National Security Advisory Board (NSAB). Mr Rana Banerji, Special Secretary (Retd.) Cabinet Secretariat spoke on Domestic Compulsions of Pakistan's New Regime, Maj Gen (Retd.) Dhruv C Katoch SM, VSM, Director, Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS) spoke on Combating Cross Border Terrorism across the LOC: Need for a Doctrinal Approach and Prof Rekha Choudhary, ICSSR Fellow spoke on Indo-Pak Border Tensions: The Socio-political Impact of J&K.

The **Second Session** chaired by Maj Gen (Retd.) Dhruv Katoch SM, VSM, Director, Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS) and Mr Jayadeva Ranade, Former Additional Secretary, R&AW & Member, National Security Advisory Board (NSAB) spoke on Chinese New Leadership: Implications for India. Prof Srikant Kondapalli, Professor in Chinese Studies, JNU, New Delhi, Mr Nitin A Gokhale, Strategic Affairs Editor, NDTV spoke on Indian Response Along China Frontier: The Way Forward.

Dr J.Jeganaathan, Assistant Professor, Dept. of National Security Studies, Central University of Jammu presented a Seminar report. The Valedictory address delivered by Shri Ashok Prasad, DGP, J&K . Shri J.B.S. Johar, Hony Secretary presented the welcome address, Ms Neeta, Assistant Professor, Dept. of National Security, Central University of Jammu presented a vote of thanks.

Representatives from Army, PMFs, J&K Police, Academia, Media and selected delegates from the Civil society and IIPA participated in seminar.

16. **“4TH SAT PAUL SAHNI MEMORIAL LECTURE”**

The J&K Regional Branch of the Indian Institute of Public Administration organised 4th Sat Paul Sahni Memorial Lecture on **“India’s Attributes and Interests: Who are we and What do we want ?” on December 7, 2013**. Prof Varun Sahni, former Vice Chancellor of University of Jammu and Chairperson, Centre for International Politics, Organisation and Disarmament, School of International Studies, JNU, New Delhi was the Key Note speaker. Dr S.S.Bloeria, Dr Ashok Bhan, paid the tributes to Late Shri Sat Paul Sahni. Shri J.A.Khan Economic Advisor to J&K Government presided over the function.

17. **“CONFLICT EARLY WARNING: CONTEMPORARY REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT & IMPLICATIONS FOR J&K”.**

The Indian Institute of Public Administration J&K Regional Branch in collaboration with Central University of Jammu and Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies (IPCS) New Delhi organised a half Seminar on **“Conflict Early Warning: Regional Security and Implications for J&K” on December 23, 2013.**

There were two Sessions. **Session I – Regional Security Environment:** Prof P.R Chari was the Chairperson and Ambassador Ranjit Gupta, Dr D. Suba Chandran, Mr Sushant Sareen were the speakers.

In the **2nd Session- J&K and Internal Security:** Dr S.S. Bloeria was the Chairperson, Dr Ashok Bhan, Prof Rekha Choudhry and Dr Shujaat Bukhari were the speakers. More than 70 delegates from Army, PMFs, J&K Police, Academia, IIPA members and Civil Society participated.

“Regional Environment involving Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan is in a major flux and can have serious implications for the future Security on J&K”. This was one of the consensus of the discussion

Dr. Mallika Joseph concluded the seminar. IIPA Hony Secretary Mr. J.B.S Johar presented vote of thanks to guest speakers, audience and media for making the event a success.

FUTURE PROGRAMMES

During the year 2014, the thrust areas for conducting of seminar/lectures/workshops and training programmes are:-

1. To perpetuate the memories of one of the founder members of the J&K Regional Branch of the IIPA, Shri Ram Sahai, who passed away on August 5, 2009, It was decided to organize annually a memorial lecture on **“Corporate Excellence”**. The **“1st Ram Sahai Memorial Lecture on “GST a Comprehensive Tax Reforms”** will be held on Feb 1, 2014 (Saturday). The Lecture will be delivered by Khawaja Bashir Ahmad Former Commissioner Commercial Taxes J&K and presently Chairman Empowerment Committee, Finance Department, J&K Government.
2. **“Safer workplace for Women”**
3. **“Introspection of RTI”**
4. **“Fractured Mandate & Governance”**
5. **“Ethics in Public Administration”**
6. **“Management Competencies”**

We shall also welcome the suggestions from the members with regards to future programmes.

35 YEARS OF J&K REGIONAL BRANCH, IINDIAN INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

In one of the Executive Committee meetings of the J&K Regional Branch of IIPA, it was decided to publish a **Souvenir “35 Years of J&K Regional Branch, Indian Institute of Public Administration”** on the completion of 35 years of the Regional Branch. The Souvenir will contain messages, some reminiscences, Objective & Bye-laws of the Regional branch, list of events held sofar, photo features, list of members etc. It was also decided that Dr S.K.Koul, member editorial board of IIPA Newsletter will coordinator for the release of this Souvenir.

There was a historic occasion when Hon'ble Vice President of India Sh. Mohd. Hamid Ansari released a Souvenir entitled "**35 years of J&K Regional branch of Institute of Public Administration**" during the 59th AGM of the IIPA held at New Delhi on October 18, 2013. The untiring efforts and guidance of Dr Ashok Bhan, Chairman, Members of the Publication and Printing Committee namely Shri T.P.Singh, Er Vikram Gour, Er V.N.Sharma, Dr S.K.Kaul, Hony Secretary and Shri Jatin in bringing out the Souvenir and its timely release need applause.

The Regional Branch is grateful to Dr G.N.Qasba Commissioner, Srinagar Municipal Corporation, Mr Rahul Sahai, Managing Director, M/S Republic Motor Stores, Jammu, Shri Chander Gulhati, Managing Director, National Garage, Authorized Dealers of Tata Motors in J&K & Shri Vikrant Kuthiala, Director, J&K Bank Ltd. for rendering financial Assistance in the getting the Souvenir printed in the shape of advertisements.

PAUL H. APPLEBY AWARD

My member colleagues must be aware that late Shri Veeranna Aivalli, founder Hony Secretary of the J&K Regional Branch of IIPA and formerly Commissioner, Bureau of Civil Aviation Security, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India was conferred with Paul H. Appleby Award for his distinguished Services to IIPA and to Public Administration. Hon'ble Vice President of India, Shri Mohd Hamid Ansari presented the prestigious Paul H. Appleby Award to Mrs Swarna Aivalli wife of Late Shri Veeranna Aivalli in the 59th Annual General Body Meeting held on October 18, 2013 at New Delhi in the IIPA, Auditorium. He is the first person from J&K to receive this Award.

ENROLMENT OF NEW MEMBERS

Enrolment of new members to IIPA, J&K Regional branch is a continuous process and this year 24 more members have been enrolled. They are:-

1. Shri Ghulam Nabi Kant, IAS (Retd.)
2. Shri Mohd. Hussain Mir, Addl. Secretary, Govt. of J&K
3. Shri Mohd Harun Additional Secretary, Govt. of J&K
4. Shri Suresh Kumar Gupta, IFS
5. Dr Malik Naseer Ahmad, Medical Officer
6. Shri Gurvinder Jeet Singh Assistant Commissioner, Leh
7. Dr Abdul Aziz Sheikh SDM, Uri District Bar
8. Shri Simrandeep Singh, IAS DC, Leh
9. Shri B.R.Lachotra, DG, Economics and Statistics, Planning & Development of J&K
10. Brig. R.L. Sharma (Retd.)
11. Lt. Col. Krishan Chand (Retd.)
12. Shri Shakti Pathak, Supdt of Police
13. Shri N.S.Jamwal, D.I.G, B.S.F
14. Shri Kamaljit Singh, DySP
15. Dr Majio Hussain Qadri, University of Kashmir
16. Dr Mariam Shafiq, Medical Officer
17. Ms. Sayima Irshad, Central University of Jammu, J&K
18. Mr. Imtiyaz Ahmad Parray, Section Officer, Central University of Kashmir,
19. Shri Anshumali Sharma, KAS, BDO Samba
20. Shri Rajeev Gupta, Assistant Director, Designs Inspections and Quality, Control
21. Ms. Andleeb, Director (Academics) Kashmir
22. Dr Vinay Chauhan, University of Jammu
23. Er Mohd. Ayoub Khawaja,
24. Prof Mohd Aslam, Central University of Kashmir,

We welcome the new members to the IIPA fraternity. With this this total strength of members has gone up to 376.

IIPA NEWS LETTER

During the year we released two more issue of IIPA Newsletter May 2013 & November 2013 with this 8 issues of the IIPA Newsletters have been released so far. I am grateful to the Editorial Board and Editorial Team for their contribution in releasing these issues.

J&K REGIONAL BRANCH CO- OPTED ON EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IIPA

For the 2nd Successive term, in recognition of our activities, the J&K Regional Branch has been Co-opted on the Executive Council up to 2014. All members deserve Kudos for this honor.

DG SET

A 15 KVA, 3 phase silent DG SET has been installed in the IIPA, Complex.

IIPA J&K Regional Branch proudly announces the opening of its office in Srinagar. The office address is IIPA J&K Regional Branch, Old Secretariate, Srinagar.

The Regional Branch has to be a more active and to expand our activities both in Jammu & Srinagar for which we need the continuous support of our members and well-wishers. Here, I would like to make special mention of Shri Nisar Ahmed, Shri Chander Gulhati, Shri Vikram Gour, Shri V.N.Sharma, Shri G.M.Andrabi, for taking keen interest in making IIPA programmes a success. This is not to belittle very significant contribution made by many other colleagues as Executive Committee members and office bearers.

Thanks!

I WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR- 2014

(J.B.S.Johar)
Hony Secretary