

# MINUTES OF THE 93<sup>RD</sup> MEETING OF THE IME(I) GOVERNING COUNCIL (TERM 2021 - 23) HELD ON 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2022

(iaw Rule A15.0, A17.0, & A18.0 Part II of ORP and Articles

<u>14.0, 15.0, 17.2 & 18.2 of M&AoA)</u>

### Meeting Notice and Agenda

1. Notice for the **G**overning **C**ouncil **M**eeting (GCM) was given to GC members on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022 through GC Google Group. Extract of the e-Notice and the circulated Agenda is reproduced below:

**"Notice** is hereby given to members (Term 2021-23) for the conduct and request to attend the Meeting No. 93 of the **G**overning **C**ouncil (GC) scheduled at <u>1000 hrs on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at Visakhapatnam and through Virtual Meeting</u> <u>Application: Zoom (Link to Join the Meeting is at the end of this Agenda)."</u>

2.	Agenda for the meeting was as bel	ow:
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<u>Time</u> (hrs)	<u>Agenda</u> Item No.	<u>Agenda / Event</u>
Day 1 - Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2022		
0945	-	Members (attending physically) to be seated in Conference Hall for H&S Briefing and Members attending virtually to Log-In for Audio/ Video Check
1001	1	Observance of a Minute's Silence in Honour of Deceased Members
1003	2	Welcome Address by President
1020	3	Adoption of Agenda for 93 <sup>rd</sup> GCM - By Circulation
1022	4	To Grant Leave of Absence
1025	5	Adoption of Minutes of the 92 <sup>nd</sup> GCM - By Circulation
1030	6	Action Taken Report on various Sub-Committees (Sub-Com) / Branches / External Bodies
1040	Budget and Report of various Sub-Com to be presented by Head covering activities and <i>Actual Figures</i> for PFY [01.04-2021 to 31.03.2022] & CFY [01.04-2022 to 31.05.2022] and <i>Budgeted</i> for CFY 2022-23 in sequence as below:	
1045	7A	Finance & Business Development Sub-Com



<u>Time</u> (hrs)	<u>Agenda</u> Item No.	Agenda / Event	
1055	7B	Building Land & Facilities Sub-Com	
1105	7C	Career Development Sub-Committee	
1115	7D	International Relations Sub-Com	
1125	7E	Examination & Certification Sub-Com	
1135	7F	Publications Library & Website Sub-Com	
1145	7G	Admission & Membership Sub-Committee (including Ratification of New Memberships & Grade Transfers)	
1155	7H	Administration & Legal Sub-Com	
1205	7J	Quality Sub-Com	
1215	7K	Students Sub-Com	
1225	7L	IT Sub-Com	
1245		Break for Lunch	
1355	-	Reassemble to continue Agenda Serial 7	
1400	7M	Public Relations Sub-Com	
1410	7N	Tie-up and Growth Sub-Com	
1420	7P	Equivalency and Recognition Sub-Com	
1430	7Q	Research Promotion Sub-Com	
1440	7R	High Value Committee	
1450	7S	Benevolence Fund	
1500	7T	Member Grievance Cell	
1510	7U	Women Members' Welfare Sub-Com	
1520	7V	Members' Welfare Sub-Com	
1530	-	Summation of deliberations and adjourn for the Day	
<u>Day 2</u>	(17 <sup>th</sup> July	2022)	
1000	-	Members to be seated / Logged-In	
1005	activities a	nd report of Branches to be presented by Chairman covering and <i>Actual Figures</i> for CFY [01.04-2021 to 31.12.2021] and r FY 2022-23 in sequence as below:	
1015	8A	Mumbai Branch	
1030	8B	Pune Branch	



<u>Time</u> (hrs)	<u>Agenda</u> Item No.	<u>Agenda / Event</u>
1040	8C	Goa Branch
1050	8D	Chennai Branch
1100	8E	Vizag Branch
1115	8F	Kolkata Branch
1125	8G	Kochi Branch
1135	8H	Delhi Branch
	9	Reports on External Bodies
1145	9A	ECI
1155	9B	IRS - Technical/ Classification Committee
1205	9C	BES
1210	9D	BIS
1220	9E	WMTC
1225	9F	IMS
1230	10	Change of Objects and Proposed Amendments to MoA and AoA of the Institute
1245	11	Commencement of Post Graduate Programmes
1255	12	Commencement of IGF(Adv) Course / Simulator (Director MET to join Virtually to Brief GC)
1305	13	Approval of Drawn Resolutions (To be Circulated through e-Mail)
1310	14	Any other matters/ resolutions with the permission of Chair
1348	15	Date for the next GC Meeting
1350	16	Vote of Thanks & Closure - By Vice President

## Attendance

3. Attendance of various GC Members for the meeting is as tabulated below:

<u>S</u>	Name of GC Member		Designation	<u>Attendan</u>	ttendance (July 22)	
<u>No.</u>		Branch	Designation	16 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>	
(i)	Mr. Vijendra Kumar Jain	Mumbai	Hon. President	Р	Р	



<u>S</u>		Parent		Attendance (July 22)	
<u>No.</u>	Name of GC Member	Branch	<u>Designation</u>	16 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>
(ii)	Mr. Amit Bhatnagar	Kolkata	Hon. Vice President	Р	Р
(iii)	Mr. Bhupesh Tater	Mumbai	Hon. Gen. Secy.	Р	Р
(iv)	Mr. Arun Kumar Gupta	Mumbai	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(v)	Mr. Yatindra Nath	Mumbai	GC Member	LoA	LoA
(vi)	Mr. Girish Sreeraman	Mumbai	GC Member	Р	Р
(vii)	Mr. Rajeev Nayyer	Mumbai	GC Member	LoA	Р
(viii)	Mr. Sanjeev Vakil	Chennai	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(ix)	Mr. Anil Kumar P.K.	Chennai	GC Member	LoA	LoA
(x)	Mr. Vaman Mangesh Gaitonde	Goa	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(xi)	Mr. S Krishnan Kutty	Kochi	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(xii)	Mr. Mathew Koshy	Kochi	GC Member	Р	Р
(xiii)	Mr. Gautam Sen	Kolkata	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(xiv)	Mr. Swapan Kumar Saha	Kolkata	GC Member	Р	Р
(xv)	Mr. Sanjeev D Ogale	Pune	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(xvi)	Mr. Vijayananda Kumar Amara	Vizag	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(xvii)	Mr. Dilshad Singh Anand	Vizag	GC Member	Р	Р
(xviii)	Cmde B Ajay	Delhi	Branch Chairman	Р	Р
(xix)	Mr. Chirag Bahri	Delhi	GC Member	Р	Р
(xx)	Mr. Vicky Malhotra	Delhi	GC Member	Р	Р
(xxi)	Mr. Uday Purohit	Mumbai	Imm. Past Pres.	Р	Р
(xxii)	Mr. Kushal Roy	Chennai	Imm Past HVP	Р	Р
(xxiii)	Mr. Tarun Kumar	Mumbai	Imm Past HGS	LoA	LoA
(xxiv)	Dr. Rajoo Balaji	Chennai	Editor MER	As Spec	cial Invitee
(xxv)	Mr Mohan Singh Pal	Mumbai	Director - MET	As Spec	cial Invitee

## Formal Agenda Points

4. <u>Homage to Deceased Members (Agenda Item No. 1)</u>. Upon commencement of the proceedings, HGS requested all present to observe a one-minute silence as a mark of respect and prayer for members who had passed away since the last GCM viz.; Mr. SVS Reddy - F62, Mr Thomas Kurien - F2233 and Mr. SR Nori - F3015.

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5. <u>Welcome Address by President (Agenda Item No. 2)</u>. The President, Mr. Vijendra Kumar Jain, while chairing the meeting, welcomed the members of the Governing Council to the meeting. While informing the GC that the Agenda for this GCM contained some important and pertinent matters, he also welcomed the Chairman of Delhi Branch, Cmde B Ajay for attending the meeting physically.

6. <u>Adoption of Agenda for 93<sup>rd</sup> GCM (Agenda Item No. 3)</u>. The previously circulated Agenda for the 93<sup>rd</sup> GCM was considered as circulated, read and adopted unanimously by the GC.

7. Leave of Absence (Agenda Item No. 4). Leave of absence was granted to GC members who had previously conveyed their inability to attend the GCM. The members being Mr Anil Kumar, Mr. Y Nath and Mr Tarun Kumar.

8. <u>Adoption of Minutes of 92<sup>nd</sup> GCM (Agenda Item No. 5)</u>. The GC members present adopted the Minutes of the 92<sup>nd</sup> GC Meeting which were previously circulated via E-mail and corrected copy uploaded on GC Google Group, resolved as below:

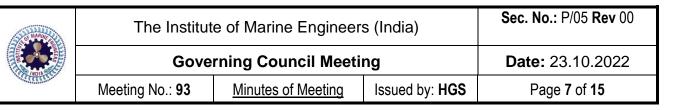
Resolution No.	n No. Details of Resolution	
93.05.01	RESOLVED that the minutes of the 92 <sup>nd</sup> GC meeting, as presented, are approved.	
Proposed By:	Mr Sanjeev Vakil	
Seconded By:	Mr Arun Kumar Gupta	

9. <u>Action Taken Report (Agenda Item Nos. 6)</u>. Action Taken Report based on inputs from respective Chairperson(s), on the outstanding action points, was uploaded on the GC's Google Group and presented by the HGS. Discussions were held on ATR points and decisions/ specific issues other than closed points are summarised below:

<u>S.</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>ATR</u> Point	Issue / Description	Decision / Way Ahead
(a)	2(a)	Amendment to Objectives in M&AoA and Updation of ORP	Deliberated in detail by the GC and to be progressed as recorded herein at Para 15. GC also concurred ALSC's proposal to continue legal services of Abja Advisory for another 6 months as per approved T&C.
(b)	2(d)	Opening of Overseas	Proposal of IRSC was discussed at length



<u>S.</u>	<u>ATR</u>	Issue / Description	Decision / Way Ahead
<u>No.</u>	Point		
		Chapters	and a Go Ahead accorded. Summary of discussions held and resolution passed are recorded at Para 10(c). Point to be Closed.
(c)	3(a)	Solar Power Installation at IMEI House basis quotations obtained for 60kW/ 50kW/ 30kW	To be re-examined considering the future loads and fresh quotes to be sought to proceed with the installation.
(d)	3(c)	Building construction at AU for Vizag Branch to be re- examined basis HVC Report.	BLFC & ALSC has sought strengthening of MoU with AU in favour of IME(I). Discussions then held separately are recorded at Para 10(d) to 10(f). Point to be Closed.
(e)	6(e)	Utilise Donation of Rs. 1 Lakh towards Library (In memory of Shri. K. K. Goel) received in 2018-19 & 2019-20.	The Grant be utilised towards digitalisation of the books and implementation of the proposed e-Library. Point be Closed.
(f)	6(f)	Methodology and what exactly is required from the proposed IME(I) social magazine	Discussions held post the presentation made by Editor MER are recorded at Para 10(h). Point to be Closed.
(g)	8(a)	AMSC Proposal for discount and providing additional cost free benefits for Bulk Memberships instead of discount.	While it emerged that discounts may not be practical, option of providing some benefit to students be examined and the emerging proposal be run through ALSC before submitting for review to the GC.
(h)	8(b)	Ideas of extending student membership prior auto-lapse in case of non renewal and submit the proposal with all details to the GC.	Status quo to be maintained on the extension of Student Membership before upgrading to Graduate Member / Expiry. However, Membership software to include a trigger 3 months prior expiry of membership to alert/ advise the Member for renewal.
(i)	8(c)	Enrolment of ETO as member	Discussions were held on the proposal of AMSC and are recorded at Para 10(g). Point to be Closed.
(j)	7(c) Old	Co-opting of Members to Sub-Committees.	Status quo on provisions in the ORP to be maintained and co-opting is to be as per past/ current practices. Details of co-opted Members to be provided by the Sub-Com Head for updating / correction on the Website. Point be Closed



<u>S.</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>ATR</u> Point	Issue / Description	Decision / Way Ahead
(k)	Add'nl	Proposal for RL Jain Award from Kochi Branch	Request of Kochi Branch to accept their nomination as it is a minor deviation from laid down criteria was deliberated. GC is not in a position to recommend acceptance of a deviation from laid down criteria or making an exception, to the Awards Committee. Point to be Closed.
(I)	8/ GCM 92	Changes to Grievance Procedure	Procedure is to be reviewed by MHCo while working on the ORP reformatting. Point to be Closed.

10. <u>Budget and Report of Sub-Committees (Agenda Item No. 7)</u>. The actual figures for the period of 01.04.21 to 31.04.2022 and till 31<sup>st</sup> May in Current Financial Year (CFY) along with the revised Budgets for the balance period of CFY was presented by respective Sub-Committee Chairmen along with the Activity Report of their Sub-Committees. Reports and presentations made are to be uploaded on the GC Google Group for reference and record and specific issues deliberated by the GC are recorded subsequently in these minutes as below:

(a) <u>Investments in MFs</u>. Based on the health of investments and advice of the Consultant as presented by the FBDSC, the GC agreed to the proposal invest an amount of INR 1 Crores from Reserves in two tranches of INR 50 Lakhs over the next 6 months in MFs as advised by Anand Rathi, with ratio of allocation being 75% Equity & 25% Debt. It was also agreed to examine the feasibility of a second wealth management firm with the assistance of Past President to have alternate options. The GC also directed that the Chairman of FBDSC and Immediate Past President should enlist another Fund Manger and thereafter passed the following resolution: -

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution
93.07.01	RESOLVED that the FBDSC makes an additional investment of INR 1 Crore in various Mutual Funds through a suitable wealth management consultant.
Proposed By:	Mr Sanjeev Vakil
Seconded By:	Mr Arun Kumar Gupta

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(b) In order to improve accounting and make it future ready to cater for growth numbers of branches/ chapters, the GC approved implementation of Cloud based Tally Software for Accounting.

(c) <u>Opening of International Chapters</u>. Proposal of IRSC to increase the footprint of IME(I) overseas by opening international chapters commencing with UK, Singapore and Hong Kong was discussed at length. It was agreed to open these overseas chapters through a mutual association with these chapters through a MoU which has been vetted by Abja Advisory, the legal firm engaged by HO and the ALSC, to ensure that local and Indian laws are complied with and financial transactions are avoided. Further, the GC was of the view that the Chairman of the Overseas Chapters be accorded privileges similar to that of the GC Members and be invited to attend GC Meetings, albeit without bearing the international travel costs. The GC thereafter passed the resolution as below with a direction that the an inaugural function be planned in August to formally launch these Overseas Chapter(s):

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution
93.07.02	RESOLVED that Overseas Chapters be opened through vetted MoU as IMEI-(Name of Overseas Country where the Chapter is being opened), commencing with Hong Kong, United Kingdom and Singapore, and opening of subsequent overseas chapters be approved by the GC based on the proposals of IRSC.
Proposed By:	Mr D.S. Anand
Seconded By:	Mr Vicky Malhotra

(d) <u>Space at AU for Visakhapatnam (Vizag) Branch</u>. Based on request of current office bearers of Vizag Branch, the Office Bearers from HO, Director METC along with Mr Lakshmipati Rao (Immediate Past Chairman of Vizag Branch), examined the site at (AU)Andhra University (Terrace Area of the Deptt. of Marine Engineering). The Chairman of the Visakhapatnam Branch informed the GC about existing MOU with AU which the other Institutes has also followed the similar type of MOU. Discussions were held on the MoU as proposed by AU

(e) As regards budget, the expenditure proposed by Visakhapatnam Branch for the construction at AU premises was examined by the personal Visit by President/ Vice President/ HGS, Director training of IMEI HO, after seeing the at

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AU and the support of AU as well as the enthusiasm of Vizaq Branch office Bearers and members and finally it was found that the Branch is in position to start the courses immediately after the approval from DGS.

(f) GC agreed unanimously and directed Visakhapatnam Branch to put up the fresh business plan with possibilities of prefab structure with step-by-step (in partial mode) for circulation to the GC and examination by the HVC. The existing space is to be used in the intervening period to conduct the classes.

(g) <u>Membership</u>. Proposal of AMSC for inclusion of ETOs as Members was discussed at length. Efforts of AMSC and Branches to achieve an overall increase of 10% in membership and 22.5% increase in student members were appreciated. The list of new memberships (258) and transfer of membership grades (169) was also taken up and approved unanimously. The GC was of the view to retain the status quo on ETOs not being Corporate Members, thereafter corrected the applicable provisions of ORP to clarify that ETOs/ ETO Trainees are eligible to be non-corporate member. The GC passed the below mentioned resolution related to the above discussions:

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution		
93.07.03	RESOLVED that the following changes/ additions are hereby approved to the ORP in respect to Electrical Technical Officer (ETO)/ ETO Trainee in the Eligibility Criteria for Grades of Associate/ Graduate and Student:		
	ASSOCIATE GRADE A 2.1.4 - Candidate for transfer to the grade of Associate shall be at the time of such transfer, persons who have following qualifications and service period after qualification		
<u>Membership</u> <u>Grade</u>	Qualification	Service in Rank / Period after COC / Total Service Period in Industry	
Associate LM	B.E. App. Eng / Gas/ Refrigeration/ Elec & Electronic Engr/ Electrical Officer (ETO)	Total 3 Yrs	
Graduate LM	Gas / Refrigeration Engr / Elect./ Electronic Officer/ Electrical Officer (ETO)	Directly Eligible	
STUDENTS: A 2.1.6 The following categories undergoing training approved by Indian Maritime Administration (or any other recognized Maritime Administration by the Govt. of India) are eligible to be Student Members: Students including ETO Trainees of Pre-Sea Marine Engineering Institutes & Marine Engineering Apprentices of Shipyards or recognized & DGS approved Ship repair firms.			



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Seconded By:	Mr Chirag Bahri

(h) <u>MER and Starting of e-Magazine</u>. Discussions were held after the presentation on MER was made by its Editor. The GC unanimously agreed that a monthly publication, separate from the MER is to be commenced. Mandate for its Editor and coverage of this e-Magazine were also discussed and changes to be made in ORP were incorporated while the GC examined the point on updating of ORP. It was agreed to appoint an Editor for the e-Magazine by September 2022. Editor MER is to explore and pursue the MER as a Journal registered under renowned publisher and submit a detailed proposal with costing for the approval of the GC. The GC passed the below mentioned resolution related to the above discussions:

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution
93.07.04	RESOLVED that a separate monthly e-Magazine for news and other matters be started to retain focus on technical aspects within the MER and the monthly e-magazine have a separate Editor with operating process defined in ORP.
Proposed By:	Mr Vicky Malhotra
Seconded By:	Mr Vijayanand Amara

(i) <u>Benevolence Fund</u>. There was no addition to current beneficiaries of the Fund viz.; scholarship to son of Late Mr. SP Singh AM5726 (vide Resolution No. 35/36/01 dated 27.05.2009) and children of Late Mr. Rahul Nagpaul M10947 (vide Resolution No. 57.01.01 dated 21.07.2018). The GC also advised the Sub-Committee to prepare broad guidelines on how the fund is to be used support a member's indigent family and submit for the consideration of GC. The Chairman of the fund presented the Fund Report which had a balance of Rs. 102.76 Lakhs as on 30.06.2022, with a proposal to continue the current beneficiaries, which was then resolved and adopted by the GC as below:

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution
93.07.05	RESOLVED that the circulated review/ status and current beneficiaries of the 63 <sup>rd</sup> Benevolence Fund Committee Meeting is approved and guidelines for disbursement to be

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prepared by the Committee and submitted to the GC	
Proposed By:	Cmde. Bhupesh Tater (Retd.)
Seconded By:	Mr Chirag Bahri

(j) The Tie-up and Growth Sub-Committee proposed pursuing areas of cooperation and training with the Indian Navy. This was unanimously approved by the GC with a request to Chairman Delhi Branch who was also the PDME at Naval Headquarters to steer this cooperation including up-skilling. Kochi Branch would pursue a similar approach with METI at Cochin Shipyard Ltd, CUSAT, and Chapters of Eurotech, Institute of Engineers / Albertine Maritime Institute.

(k) Proposal of CDSC for two new Advanced Training Courses viz.; Gas Tanker Cargo Operations (GASCO) and Chemical Tanker Cargo Operations (CHEMCO), and additional faculty to meet the growing training demands was unanimously concurred by the GC with an advice to the CDSC to purse with DGS for early approval of these Courses.

(I) During the period from last GCM, neither did the High Value Committee receive a new proposal for examination nor did any matter come up for resolution to the Grievance Cell.

11. **Branch Activities and Budget (Agenda Item No. 8)**. Chairmen of each Branch presented their Activity Report and plans for the next six months along. The actual figures of expenditure for the period of 01.04.21 to 31.04.2022 and till 31<sup>st</sup> May in Current Financial Year (CFY) were also provided to the GC along with the revised Budgets for the balance period of CFY. Activity Reports and presentations made are to be uploaded on the GC Google Group by HO for reference and record and specific issues deliberated by the GC are recorded subsequently in these minutes as below:

(a) Branch Chairmen are to canalise efforts of its Members to approach nearby Colleges / Universities, and MTIs under their area jurisdiction to increase student memberships, as also encourage faculty to take up IME(I) membership. Opening of more student chapters is to be vigorously pursued.

(b) Branches are to step-up Technical Meets and value added courses considering that the restrictions on account of the Pandemic have been lifted.

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(c) Support is to be extended by branches/ chapters to the Organising Committees of forthcoming INMARCO-2022 and WMTC-2024.

(d) Vacation by the tenant from Chennai Branch's Office on 30.06.20 was appreciated by the GC and the Branch was advised to work with support from BLFSC/ HO and propose the future utilisation of the Office.

(e) All Branches are to complete their respective AGMs by August and forward the Branch Activity Reports and Accounts to HO by end of August.

(f) Branches including Chennai and Visakhapatnam who had already requested for funds to purchase own office space and training centre were advised by the GC to forward detailed proposal covering utility, courses to be conducted from own premises, revenue details, identified properties/ locations, and the subsequent repayment/ recovery period for investments made. These would be then examined by BLFSC and HVC for further consideration.

12. <u>Reports on External Bodies (Agenda Item No. 9)</u>. The activities and reports of ECI, IRS (minutes of Technical/ Classification Committee Meetings), BIS/TED Meetings and IMS GC Meetings where IME(I) had been represented were circulated for the information of GC. President informed that the long pending purchase of office premise for BES has been brought to a close and Office Nos 1007 & 1008 in Building NMS Titanium have been purchased at CBD Belapur by the BES.

#### 13. Amendments to MoA & AoA (Agenda Item No. 10).

(a) <u>E-Voting</u>. The previously circulated proposal to shift the election process of IME(I) to complete e-Voting was deliberated in detail. GC was of unanimous view to move the election to e-Voting and also accordingly examined the provisions related to Elections in the ORP to incorporate the e-Voting and remove aspects related to paper ballots/ hybrid mode. The GC also discussed in detail practical aspects related to implementation of the e-Voting and was of the view that all out efforts will need to approach membership to sensitise them for updating their contact details, especially e-Mail IDs in light of shifting to e-Voting. It would also be in order to issue a Notice in the Newspaper and also use all other means of communication to inform and apprise the Membership for updating their contact details in light of the election process being only through e-Voting. The related provisions to Election and Voting are to be amended in the

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AoA, MoA & ORP and then processed through MHCo for approval of the Charity Commissioner. The GC thereafter passed a Resolution as below:

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution
93.10.01	RESOLVED that the election of IME(I) for office bearers at HO and its Branches/ Chapters is to be through e- Voting and amendments as discussed to the related provisions in MoA/AoA and ORP are hereby approved.
Proposed By:	Mr. TS Girish
Seconded By:	Mr S Kutty

(b) <u>Changes to Election Schedule</u>. On account of the election process being shifted from Hybrid to completely e-Voting, the Election Schedule changes wherein few activities are redundant and time for some activities is compressed. The changes to the existing Election Schedule on account of e-Voting were discussed in detail and related changes to the ORP also worked upon by the GC. After finalising the revised schedule the aspect of announcement of Election Result was also deliberated at length. The GC by majority, passed the proposal to inform the Election Result to contestants by the President after receiving from the Election Officer.

(c) The GC also directed that the changes to various articles and provisions in the ORP on account of above are to be reviewed by the HGS and Mr Rajeev Nayyer to remove any anomalies and circulate the same to the GC. The circulated amended ORP and the MoA & AoA be then vetted by the legal team and taken up in the AGM before submitting it through MHCO for the approval of the Charity Commissioner.

(d) <u>Changes to Objects</u>.

(i) Changes to the Objects of the Institute as proposed and subsequently vetted by the ALSC, Core Committee formed for the purpose and the legal firm MHCo, as previously circulated with the Agenda were deliberated by the GC.

(ii) The President outlined the need to broaden the Objects to include welfare and social activities in the Institute's objectives with the required checks and balances put in place. After protracted discussions, especially

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on the proposed major change in articles at 4.6 and 4.7 all members presented voted and accepted the changes unanimously.

(iii) Other proposed amendments were also examined and minor changes/ incorporation of checks & balances were then undertaken to the proposed changes including the relevant part of the ORP and the GC advised that these finalised changes be circulated to the GC and then taken up for the approval of the General Body post legal vetting.

(iv) If the final changes are passed with 2/3<sup>rd</sup> majority in the AGM then approval of the Charity Commissioner be sought through MHCo. Accordingly, the GC passed the Resolution as below:

Resolution No.	Details of Resolution		
93.10.02	RESOLVED that the proposed changes to the Objects of IME(I) in the MoA and AoA are passed for seeking the acceptance of the AGM and approval by the Charity Commissioner through the legal firm MHCo.		
Proposed By	Mr. TS Girish		
Seconded By	Mr S Kutty		

(v) Further, a legal opinion be obtained on holding of AGMs in Hybrid mode and transmission of AGM documents in soft copy etc., for inclusion of enabling clauses in Articles 22.1, 22.4, 22.5 & 22.9 of AoA.

14. <u>Commencement of PG Programmes (Agenda Item No. 11)</u>. The President informed the GC that discussions have been in progress with JBIMS to commence the PG Course in Maritime Management. However, the Academic Council of JBIMS has brought out that it is essential for candidates to attend classes in person for the PG Course, which would be difficult for the sea-going members. Accordingly, a Diploma Course with limited contact/physical classes is now being considered.

15. <u>Conduct of IGF(Adv) Course (Agenda Item No. 12)</u>. Mr Mohan Singh Pal, Director(Training) who was invited to the GCM recommended commencement of IGF(Adv) Course from October 2022 and presented the details of three Simulators needed for the Course. While all three proposals met the technical requirement and features necessary for the Course, Konsberg Simulator had additional features which could be used in future to start additional value added courses. Based on query from Chairman Delhi Branch, details of the payback period/ fees proposed to be charged

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from students was also presented and discussed. President informed that there is a possibility of D.L. Shah Trust supporting the procurement of Simulator. The GC deliberated and advised that specifications of simulators be examined by a Three-Member Committee and give the details of Simulator with most features and technically acceptable to D.L. Shah Trust. The GC also approved by consensus that Committee formed to evaluate, negotiate and procure the most economical but technically acceptable Simulator to commence IGC(Adv) Course at the earliest, should the funding not come from D.L. Shah Trust. Accordingly, the following Resolution was passed: -

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93.12.01	RESOLVED that a Committee comprising Chairman CDSC, Director(Training) and HGS evaluate the proposals received for IGF Simulator and recommend the Best Option for funding from D.L. Shah Trust. The Committee is also empowered and authorised to negotiate the price and procure the most economical but technically acceptable Simulator, should the funding from D.L. Shah Trust not come through. Commencement of the IGF(Adv) Course is thus approved.
Proposed By:	Mr A.K. Gupta
<u>Seconded</u> <u>By:</u>	Mr Chirag Bahri

16. <u>Approval of Drawn Resolutions (Agenda Item No. 13)</u>. On completion of deliberations, the resolutions as above were read out aloud for the concerned Agenda Item which were passed thus by the GC and exact wordings are to confirmed while approving the minutes by circulation.

17. <u>Date for Next GC Meeting (Agenda Item No. 15)</u>. It was agreed to hold the next meeting in hybrid mode at Mumbai. The GC agreed for the next meeting to be held on Mid November 2022 preceding INMARCO-2022.

18. <u>Vote of Thanks (Agenda Item No. 16)</u>. There being no other points, Mr Amit Bhatnagar, Vice President presented the Vote of Thanks and thanked the members for attending physically and on-line in large numbers to consider certain important matters at hand. He also thanked the Visakhapatnam Branch for facilitating the GCM at Vizag and to apprise the HO Office Bearers of issues at the Vizag Branch on site/ Branch Office. Mr Bhatnagar also thanked the HO Staff and HGS for making the admin arrangements for the GC at Vizag. There being no other points, the meeting was drawn to a close.