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**MINUTES OF THE 91ST MEETING OF THE IME(I) GOVERNING COUNCIL
(TERM 2021 - 23) HELD ON 20TH FEBRUARY 2022**
(iaw Rule A15.0, A17.0, & A18.0 Part II of ORP and
Articles 14.0, 15.0, 17.2 & 18.2 of M&AoA)


Meeting Notice and Agenda

1. Notice for the **Governing Council Meeting (GCM)** was given to members on 17th January 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. 91 of the **Governing Council (GC)** scheduled **at 1000 hrs on 19th and 20th February 2022 through Virtual Meeting** Application: Zoom (Link to Join the Meeting is at the end of this Agenda).”

2. **Agenda** for the meeting was as below:

<u>Time (hrs)</u>	<u>Agenda Item No.</u>	<u>Agenda / Event</u>
<u>Day 1 (19th February 2022)</u>		
1000	-	All Members Log-In for Audio/ Video Check
1008	1	Observance of a Minute's Silence in Honour of Deceased Members; Mr Soli Cawasji Engineer - F112, Mr Vellanchery Raman Venkatesan - A2722 and Mr R Bhardwaj - M582.
1010	2	Welcome Address by President
1015	3	Adoption of Agenda for 91 st GCM - By Circulation
1035	4	To Grant Leave of Absence
1037	5	Adoption of Minutes of the 90 th GCM - By Circulation
1039	6	Action Taken Report on various Sub-Committees (Sub-Com) / Branches / External Bodies
1040		Budget and report of various Sub Coms to be presented by Head covering activities and <i>Actual Figures</i> for CFY [01.04-2021 to 31.12.2021] and <i>Budget</i> for FY 2022-23 in sequence as below:
1045	7A	Finance & Business Development Sub-Com

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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 (20th February 2022)</u>		
1000	-	All Members Log-In for Audio/ Video Check
1005	Budget and report of Branches to be presented by Chairman covering activities and <i>Actual Figures</i> for CFY [01.04-2021 to 31.12.2021] and <i>Budget</i> for FY 2022-23 in sequence as below:	
1015	8A	Mumbai Branch
1030	8B	Pune Branch

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1040	8C	Goa Branch
1050	8D	Chennai Branch
1100	8E	Vizag Branch
1115	8F	Kolkata Branch
1125	8G	Kochi Branch
	9	Reports on External Bodies
1135	9A	ECI
1145	9B	IRS – Technical/ Classification committee
1155	9C	BES
1205	9D	BIS
1210	9E	WMTC
1220	9F	IMS
1225	9	Discussions on Delhi Branch and Patna Chapter
1240	10	Approval of consolidated budget for FY 2022-23 by way of Resolution
1245	11	Approval of Drawn Resolutions (To be Circulated through e-Mail)
1250	12	Date for Next GC Meeting
1255	13	Any other matters/ resolutions with the permission of Chair
1315	14	Vote of Thanks & Closure - By Vice President

Note.: Any other points will be taken up with the permission of Chair subject to availability of time.

Attendance

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


<u>S No.</u>	<u>Name of GC Member</u>	<u>Parent Branch</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	
				<u>19.02.22</u>	<u>20.02.22</u>
(i)	Mr. Vijendra Kumar Jain	Mumbai	Hon. President	P	P

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(ii)	Mr. Amit Bhatnagar	Kolkata	Hon. Vice President	P	P
(iii)	Mr. Bhupesh Tater	Mumbai	Hon. Gen. Secy.	P	P
(iv)	Mr. Arun Kumar Gupta	Mumbai	Branch Chairman	P	P
(v)	Mr. Yatindra Nath	Mumbai	GC Member	P	P
(vi)	Mr. Girish Sreeraman	Mumbai	GC Member	P	P
(vii)	Mr. Rajeev Nayyer	Mumbai	GC Member	P	P
(viii)	Mr. Sanjeev Vakil	Chennai	Branch Chairman	P	P
(ix)	Mr. Anil Kumar P.K.	Chennai	GC Member	LoA	LoA
(x)	Mr. Vaman Mangesh Gaitonde	Goa	Branch Chairman	P	P
(xi)	Mr. S Krishnan Kutty	Kochi	Branch Chairman	P	P
(xii)	Mr. Mathew Koshy	Kochi	GC Member	LoA	P
(xiii)	Mr. Gautam Sen	Kolkata	Branch Chairman	LoA	LoA
(xiv)	Mr. Swapan Kumar Saha	Kolkata	GC Member	P	P
(xv)	Mr. Sanjeev D Ogale	Pune	Branch Chairman	P	P
(xvi)	Mr. Vijayananda Kumar Amara	Visakha-patnam	Branch Chairman	P	P
(xvii)	Mr. Dilshad Singh Anand	Visakha-patnam	GC Member	LoA	LoA
(xviii)	-	Delhi	Branch Chairman	-	-
(xix)	Mr. Chirag Bahri	Delhi	GC Member	P	P
(xx)	Mr. Vicky Malhotra	Delhi	GC Member	LoA	LoA
(xxi)	Mr. Uday Purohit	Mumbai	Imm. Past HPres.	P	LoA
(xxii)	Mr. Kushal Roy		Imm Past HVP	LoA	LoA
(xxiii)	Mr. Tarun Kumar	Mumbai	Imm Past HGS	LoA	LoA

Formal Agenda Points

4. **Observance of a Minute's Silence in Honour of Deceased Members (Agenda Item No. 1).** Prior to commencing 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. Soli Cawasji Engineer - F112, Shri Vellanchery Raman Venkatesan - A2722 and Shri R Bhardwaj - M582.


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5. **Welcome Address by President (Agenda Item No. 2).** The Hon.President, Mr. Vijendra Kumar Jain, while chairing the meeting, welcomed the members of the Governing Council to the meeting.
6. **Adoption of Agenda for 91stGCM (Agenda Item No. 3).** The previously circulated Agenda for the 91st GCM was considered as 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 Vicky Malhotra, Mr Gautam Sen, Mr Anil Kumar, Mr DS Anandfor the meeting and Mr Mathew Koshy for Day 1 of the meeting.
8. **Adoption of Minutes of the 90thGCM (Agenda Item No. 5).** The members present in the GCM adopted the Minutes of the 90th GC Meeting (GCM) which were previously circulated via E-mail and resolved as below:


<u>Resolution No.</u>	<u>Details of Resolution</u>
91.05.01	RESOLVED that the minutes of the 90 th GC meeting, as presented, are approved.
<u>Proposed By:</u>	Mr Y Nath
<u>Seconded By:</u>	Mr Vijayananda Amara

9. **Action Taken Report (Agenda Item No. 6).** The Chairperson of respective sub-committees as below presented their Action Taken Report (ATR) and status of points as tabulated below for information of the GC:


<u>Ser</u>	<u>Action Point / Issue</u>	<u>Status</u>
<u>FBDSC</u>		
(a)	<u>Income Tax Cases</u> Faceless submission made Income tax u/s 250 from CIT: submissions made towards the following assessment years: - for AY 2009-2010, AY 2013-14, AY 2016-17 and AY 2017-18 (As per the direction from the ITAT) on 13.01.2021, and for AY 2014-15 on 12.01.2021 and resubmission for AY 2013-14 on 11.01.2022	Reply from IT department awaited against the submission made

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(b)	<p><u>AY 2018-19</u></p> <p>AY - 2018-19 -- Submission was made to the Income Tax Assessing Officer on 08.01.2021 & 15.02.2021 and the Assessment Order received is as under:</p> <p>It is also pertinent to mention here that on similar issue, for AY 2011-12, AY 2012-13, AY 2013-14, AY 2014-15, AY 2016-17 & AY 2017-18 the income of the assesses has been treated as business income wherein the appeals are pending before the CIT(A), Mumbai. Therefore, respectfully following the previous orders and nature of activities remaining the same for this year also, the other income is treated as business income.</p>	<p>Appeal submitted to the Hon'ble National Faceless Appeal Centre on 15th April 2021 with Grounds. Reply from IT department awaited against the Appeal made.</p>
(c)	IT assessments for AY 2009-10 to 2017-18	Demand / interest / penalty raised is Rs. 418.92 Lakhs and paid 119.05 as per the rules
(d)	IT Return for AY 2021-2022 filed and submitted to the Charity Commissioner	For Information
(e)	<p><u>Branches' Accounts Updation in Tally</u></p> <p>New Tally software has been installed at Pune, Goa, Vizag. All branches are to synchronize Tally with HO in 1ST week of month with the Actual V/s Budgeted figures of that period.</p>	Completed on 03.02.2022 except Delhi Branch who have been asked to send copies of the Bank Statement, and Kolkata Branch due to lock down (offices not yet opened, expected to open in the next week).
(f)	<p><u>Investment of Excess Funds</u></p> <p>Branches require advise on how to invest excess funds as they are not permitted to invest in Mutual Funds (MFs).</p>	Vice President to work out in consultation with existing professional consultant i.e., Anand Rathi for MFs and corporate FDs. Excess funds be repatriated to HO as per ORP in the interim.
<u>ALSC</u>		
(a)	<p><u>Charity Commissioner Cases</u></p> <p>Change of Trustees Report for 2017-2019, and 2019-2021</p>	Reminder given to Adv Gupte on 16.02.2022 to file the same
(b)	Change of current trustees' reports submitted to the Charity Commissioner	For Information

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<u>BLFSC</u>		
(a)	Use of solar power at IMEI House	Fresh quotations obtained for 60/50kW and 30kW Plants
(b)	Marking of car parking area at HO	Pending / Deferred
(c)	<u>Building Construction for Vizag Branch</u> The final report from the High Value Committee examined by the GC with the additional suggestions and recommendations in the MoU	ALSC is being requested to take seek legal opinion on the MoU signed between AU and Vizag Branch.
(d)	Starting of Incubation Centre	Legal opinion received and being examined / reviewed.
<u>CDSC</u>		
(a)	<u>Financial Assistance to ME Students</u> Forms and filed submitted on 03.08.2021 to CD to be finalized	Final approval received from subcommittee and point closed.
<u>QSC</u>		
(a)	<u>Rewriting of QMS Documentation</u> Revised documents prepared and under review.	The revised QMS will be implemented post review.
<u>PLWSC</u>		
(a)	<u>MER Digitalisation</u> Redevelopment of website and digitalisation of publications including MER is to be undertaken using the Rs. One Lakh each received (in the memory of Shri. K. K. Goel) in 2018-19 & 2019-20.	PLWSC presented the plan of action for utilising this donation as well as the evaluation being done of various bids received for the re-development of website and scanning of documents / books etc.
(b)	<u>IMarEST - IME(I) Tie-up</u> Use of virtual library to be initiated with IMarEST and students encouraged.	HO requested to assist in reviving ties with IMarEST for the purpose.

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(c)	<u>IME(I) Social Magazine</u>	Methodology and what is required from the social magazine discussed and decision kept in abeyance.
<u>PRSC</u>		
(a)	Standardised the gifts to the dignitaries at Technical Meetings / Seminars etc. Small flowerpots were standardised for central procurement to support the clean and green environment.	Photos of small flower pots previously purchased forwarded to all branches for giving their opinion / requirement. However, Branches are advised to take a call depending on the occasion to give a memento as per past practice.
(b)	Improvement of quality of displays at exhibitions and fairs– Firms in Bombay or Delhi to be contacted. This job was given to the Director to contact the various organisations in consultation with the Chairman P & R Committee to get the design and quotation from the 3 firms	The Director and the Sub-Comm are reviewing the previous designs based on a check list to emerge with submit their recommendations post discussions with firms.
<u>Grievance SC</u>		
(a)	Revise the procedure for addressing/ dealing with Grievances and present it to the GC for further consideration	Same is under review with previous legal opinion and will be finalised for consideration of the GC.
<u>Amendment to ORP for Co-opting Members</u>		
(a)	Proposal to amend ORP for co-opting of Members was discussed at length. While it emerged that there was no immediate need to amend the ORP, the Proposal needed to be studied / examined before any decision is taken.	A team comprising Mr. Rajeev Nayyer, Chairman Navi Mumbai Chapter, Mr Amit Bhatnagar, Hon. Vice President and Mr Bhupesh Tater, HGS was formed by the GC to examine the Proposal with respect to relevant part of the M&AoA and the ORP, and recommend a way forward for consideration of the GC.

10. **Activity Reports & Budget (Agenda Item No. 7).** Chairman of various Sub-Committees presented their activity reports, planned activities in the forthcoming quarter/ future, and the proposed budget for Next Financial Year (NFY) 2022-23. The presentations and budget sheets were shared with GC during the meeting and

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discussed. Some points having being discussed as part of ATR are recorded at Para 10 above and salient of the balance discussions are as below:

(a) Investments in MFs. Status of investment in MFs was discussed. While the gain in value of invested funds (Rs 275 Lakhs) in MFs since 31 Dec 2021 was Rs. 6.99 lakhs the portfolio value stood at Rs 386.93 Lakhs on 03.02.2022 as per information received from Anand Rathi. Hon. Chairman FBDSC intimated that the present break-up of investment in MFs is 15% Debt and rest in equity and the plan is to increase the allocation to 100% in equity based MFs as per discussions during previous GCMs and the last AGM.

(b) Buildings & Facilities. Maintenance work in IMEI House, upgrade to the Auditorium and utilisation of basement/ hostel are focus areas of the BLFSC. Presently, only routine maintenance has been budgeted in the NFY by BLFSC and budgets for energy efficiency measures, major repairs and upgrades will be proposed only after examining these requirements in detail. BLFSC requested a member from Navi Mumbai Chapter to be nominated as a co-opted member to which Mr Rajeev Nayyer was requested by the GC to examine the same. As regards budget, the expenditure proposed by Visakhapatnam Branch for the construction at AU premises was to be re-examined basis the report of HVC and first stage of staggered / stage payment considered with a request to commence some courses at Vizag Branch before such construction is commenced.

(c) Courses. A complete overview of various courses, training activities, involvement of faculty, METC performance for the QE Dec 2021 was given by the CDSC to the GC. Notable points from the presentation are as follows: -

(i) 294 candidates were imparted training in various MEO / Engine Room Simulator Courses and the Refresher & Updating Training Course (RUT) for Engineer Officers.

(ii) The ERS-IV (Operational Level) was not conducted as the approved number (12) of batches had already been exhausted.

(iii) MEO Class III (NCV-SEO) had to be cancelled due to poor response and instead a 3-Day value added course viz.; 'Electronic Engine Familiarization Course (ME-Engine Type)' was conducted jointly with MASSA Maritime Academy, Chennai.

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(iv) Three modular courses (hybrid) with practical training at TS Rahman (under a MoU) is likely to be approved by PO MMD based on the final inspection conducted by MMD Surveyors on 5th January 2022.

(v) No major change in the budget was proposed over the previous year's and it was expected that a minor surplus would be generated.

(d) Examinations. The ECSC met virtually on 16.12.2021 and again on 16.02.2022 to deliberate on implementation of its objectives for the current term viz.; improvement of results and consequently knowledge of MEOs, restarting of NCV examinations in tablet mode and enhance the question bank for Class IV examinations. The following emerged post discussions:

(i) ECSC to prepare a question bank for Exit Examination of DGS.

(ii) Proposal from ECSC to be made for approaching DGS to restart Class IV examination in Tab Mode.

(iii) Mentoring of junior engineers / students to be encouraged to improve knowledge standards.

(iv) While TAR Books have been updated at certain intervals in the past e.g., in 2012 to incorporate STCW 2010 Convention requirements, and also for the GME (1 Year) / Diploma (2 Years) / FGV / ETO / 10+2 (\$ Years) Courses, ESC may look into making of e-TAR Books with regular updates and checking on-line its compliance.

(e) Membership. Proposal of AMSC for discount on bulk membership was deliberated. It was agreed to seek legal advice on such discount and in the interim period work out a proposal for providing additional cost-free benefits for bulk memberships instead of discounts. AMSC is also to develop the idea of extending student membership prior auto-lapse in case of non-renewal and submit the proposal with all details to the GC for consideration. The new memberships (1071) and transfer of grade for existing members (284) was also taken up and approved unanimously. As regards the proposal of SSC for extending the validity of student membership to a period of two years, the same is to be looked into detail and the AMSC is to present the way ahead and its recommendation for the consideration of the GC in a period of three months.

(f) IME(I) Website and Publications. A detailed presentation was made by the PLWC covering various issues related to activities of the Sub-Committee. Salient points of the presentation and the ensuing discussions are as below:

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(i) While digitisation of the MER has been completed, revision of advertising rates in the digital and physical version as proposed by PLWSC are to be put on hold and taken up again for discussions six months from now once the online version has matured.

(ii) Order for development of software to upload publications and scanned library books has been placed with KenmarkITan Solutions, Mumbai after evaluating other offers including that from Kryon, Chennai.

(iii) HO/ ALSC is to provide the legal opinion on uploading of scanned publications on eLibrary and IME(I) Website.

(iv) Proposals received from various vendors have been reviewed for the redevelopment of IME(I) website and the order are under finalisation.


(v) HO/HGS is to assist the PLWC to revive the tie-up with IMarEST for use of virtual library.

(vi) Present Editor of MER is to be requested for continuation till such time a suitable replacement is finalised in view of poor response so far.

(g) Legal Services. HGS/Chairman ALSC intimated that the services of Mansukhlal Hiralal for changes to the Objects of the Institute in its M&AoA have been commissioned and the broad schedule for completing this activity is under preparation. Further, the proposal of ALSC to seek legal services for day-to-day matters of the Institute requiring legal advice beyond the ALSC, was approved on a retainer basis from Abja Advisory. A proposed annual expenditure of about Rs. 4 lakhs for these services were also approved.

(h) IT Infrastructure and Services. ITSC was advised to review the existing i-Connect App with the aim to implementation of the improved version for use during INMARCO 2022 and subsequently WMTC 2024. Further, the ITSC would conduct an audit of the IT infrastructure in next three months at HO and in all branches and submit its recommendations to the GC for improvements in IT services.

(i) Benevolence Fund (Agenda Item No. 7S). The fund had a balance of Rs. 102.81 Lakhs as on 31.12.2021 after paying Rs. 1.67 Lakhs towards scholarship to son of Late Mr. SP Singh AM5726 (vide Resolution No.

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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 Chairman of the fund presented the Fund Report with a proposal to continue the current beneficiaries, which was then resolved and adopted by the GC as below:

<u>Resolution No.</u>	<u>Details of Resolution</u>
61.29.01	RESOLVED that the circulated review / status and current beneficiaries of the of the 61 st Benevolence Fund Committee meeting is approved.
<u>Proposed By:</u>	Mr Vaman Gaitonde
<u>Seconded By:</u>	Mr Vijayananda Amara

(j) Budget of SCs. Budget sheets of all Sub-Committees (SCs) were reviewed by the GC and approved-in-principle. The minor corrections / changes for some SCs as discussed during the meeting are to be incorporated in the respective SCs' budget sheets and incorporated in the consolidated budget to be taken up for approval of the GC subsequently.

11. **Branch Activities & Budgets (Agenda Item No. 8)**. Activity Report of each Branch was presented except for the Delhi Branch. For the presented plan of activities of next six months, the GC emphasised each branch to concentrate more on conduct of courses and technical meetings. AGMs where pending are to be completed at the earliest and make efforts at Branch/ Chapter levels to enhance the membership. Specific issues from the activity reports and the Branch Budgets that were discussed by the GC and require further action or are of importance for the record are as below:

- (a) Pune branch's proposal for interaction with students of MTIs in the region is to be fine-tuned with the assistance of Mr David Birwadkar of Mumbai Branch, the HGS, Mr Maneesh Jha and the AMSC.
- (b) Enrolment of ETOs as Member is to be as per guidelines laid down in Article 8.1.3 of the AoA and is to meet the promulgated revised eligibility criteria.
- (c) BLFC is to assist the Chennai Branch in registration of own premises with the local authorities.

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(d) Chennai Branch is to share with HGS/ALSC, the draft MoU proposed to be signed with HIMT for conduct of Seminars / Events for vetting.

(e) Visakhapatnam Branch is to share the legal opinion obtained along with the MoU with Andhra University (AU) to ALSC for obtaining a detailed view on how to progress with the construction on premises of AU. The Branch is to commence value added courses in online mode, if need be with advice/support from HO/ Mumbai Branch and thereafter submit the revised budget covering the commencement of construction of building, if cleared by the GC.


(f) Kolkata Branch is to take measures for recommencing activities post lifting of COVID restrictions as also expedite the submission of updated list of FDs with the Branch and the latest Bank Statements.

12. **Reports on External Bodies (Agenda Item No. 9).** IME(I) representatives to external bodies viz.; ECI, IRS-TC, BES, BIS and IMS presented the reports of various meetings attended. These were taken on record as most discussions were of routine nature. As part of discussions, ERSC is to follow up on the matter of equivalency of MEO Class-I CoC as a Degree in Engineering with Mumbai University as well as request IMU through HO to take this up with the Ministry of Shipping.

13. **Delhi & Patna Branch (Agenda Item No. 10).** Kolkata Branch intimated that the names for Office Bearers of Patna Chapter for the Term 2021-23 have been received viz.; Mr. S.P. Deokuliar, Mr. Om Prakash, Mr. Harsh Vardhan Rathor, and Co-opted Members as Mr. Uttam Kumar and Mr. Gautam Kumar. On the issue of Delhi Branch Office Bearers, Mr. Chirag Bahri intimated that the matter has been discussed internally with previous office bearers and the other elected member Mr. Vicky Malhotra. However, Delhi Branch requested some more time to nominate the Office Bearers, which was agreed to by the GC.

14. **Consolidated Budget for FY 2022-23 (Agenda Item No. 11).** The actual figures for the Current Financial Year were taken up for discussions and accepted unanimously. The GC observed that certain changes needed to be done in Budgets for next FY of few SCs and the in-principle accepted budgets of Chennai, Kochi and Visakhapatnam Branch. Post receipt of these changes, the updated and consolidated Budget Sheet is to be circulated to the GC as well as uploaded on the Google Group before adopting the resolution to approve the consolidated Budget of the Institute.

15. **Approval of Drawn Resolutions (Agenda Item No. 12).** On completion of deliberations, HGS read out aloud the various resolutions as above for the concerned Agenda Item which were passed thus by the GC.

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16. **Date for Next GC Meeting (Agenda Item No. 13).** Discussions on WMTC-2024 can only be held once proposals from the Chennai and Mumbai Branch for its conduct were available. Therefore, taking advantage of technology it was agreed to hold the next GCM specifically for discussions on WMTC-2024 and the points related to Grievance Procedure, Action Plan for IME(I) Chair at IMU, and ratification of the updated Budget which couldn't be held this time due to paucity of time. 5th March 2022 was therefore agreed as the date for the next meeting (virtual) to discuss this agenda.


17. **Any Other Matter (Agenda Item No. 14).** The following items were raised with the permission of the Chair and summary of the discussions is as below:

(a) **INMARCO-2022.** Request of Mumbai Branch for grant of 'Seed Money' to commence the activities of INMARCO-2022 was taken up and the resolution adopted as below:

<u>Resolution No.</u>	<u>Details of Resolution</u>
91.14.01	RESOLVED that the seed money of Rs. 35 Lakhs as sought by "The Institute of Marine Engineers (India), Mumbai Branch", for organizing "INMARCO 2022", in the month of November 2022 is hereby approved.
<u>Proposed By:</u>	Mr Chirag Bahri
<u>Seconded By:</u>	Mr Sanjeev Vakil

(b) **WMTC-2024.** Various options with regard to location and coordinating branch were deliberated for the conduct of WMTC-2024 in India by IMEI(I). In absence of clear methodology, Chennai and Mumbai Branches were asked to make detailed presentations in the ensuing week on their proposed plans for conducting WMTC-2024 to finalise the way ahead.

(c) **Eminent Engineers Awards.** Nominations in favour of Mr. U.R.P. Sudhakar, Mr. Arun Sharma and Mr. P.S. Murthy were received for the Eminent Engineer Award constituted by ECI. Post an on-spot e-Poll, the name of Mr. Arun Sharma was agreed to for forwarding as the IME(I) nominee for the said award.

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18. **Vote of Thanks (Agenda Item No. 15).** Mr Amit Bhatnagar thereafter presented the Vote of Thanks and the GC placed on record the appreciation of good work done by the previous GC and the outgoing Office Bearers. There being no other points, the meeting was closed with thanks to the Chair.