From the Desk of the Honorary Secretary General

Dear Members,

The National Welding Meet (NWM-2017) will be hosted by IIW-India Bengaluru Branch on **12-13 May, 2017** at M. S. Ramaiah University of Applied Science, Peenya Industrial Area, Bengaluru on the theme "Advances in welding technology and skill development for MAKE IN INDIA".

A seven member delegation team will be visiting the 70th Annual Assembly & International Conference scheduled to be held at Shanghai, China from 25-30 June, 2017. For the first time, this team represents two Young Professionals Dr. Vivek Patel & Dr. Jaykumar Vora from Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat. They had submitted their papers in various Commissions. Apart from them, this team consists of Dr. Vishvesh Badhekha of PDPU, Gandhinagar, Dr. Mahadev Shome, Head-R&D, TATA Steel, Mr. R. Srinivasan, President, IIW-India, Mr. Parimal Biswas, Hony. Secretary General, IIW-India and Mr. Aloke Kumar Bose, Director-ANBCC, IIW-India.

You will also be glad to know that the winners of National Skill Competition, Best Welder category, Mr. Bhunja Shankar Durga of M/s. Kemppi India Pvt. Ltd., Chennai and Mr. Ramesh Gawande of M/s. Nirmal Industrial Controls Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai would be participating in the Shanghai Arc Cup Competition 2017 under GMAW & SMAW processes. Wishing them a very best of luck for the competition.

Our next Mega event, the International Congress 2017 will be held from 7-9 December, 2017 at Chennai Trade Centre, Nandambakkam, Chennai, Tamil Nadu concurrently with the 12th International Exhibition WELD-INDIA 2017 at the same venue. Around 800 delegates and 300 technical papers are to be expected for this event. All members are requested to support this event to make it a grand success.

You are aware that every year the AGM of IIW-INDIA HO is being held during 4th week of September. All branches are once again requested to complete their Branch AGM by 31st May, 2017 and forward us the documents by 7th June, 2017 to enable us to complete the AGM of the Institute within the stipulated time.

Wish our IIW-India family all success in our efforts to serve the Institute during the year 2017 and beyond.

Best Regards

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