



From Hony. Secretary General's Desk

Dear Members,

At the outset , on behalf of the Central Council , I am pleased to inform you that the Kolkata Branch of the Institute is organizing a very prestigious event - National Welding Seminar 2009-10 at Park Hotel, 17, Park Street, Kolkata from 10th to 12th December'09. Just preceding this, the Technical Committee of Kolkata Branch is organizing a two day tutorial course on the topic "Welding Metallurgy, Technology and Quality Assurance (WMTQA-2009)" during 8-9th December, 2009 at Jadavpur University, Kolkata.

During the seminar, an International Exhibition "Weld India-2009-10" will also be held at the Netaji Indoor Stadium, Kolkata between 11-13th December, 2009. I would request all the members of the Institute to extend their fullest co-operation for successful conduct of this National event.

It is a matter of great pride that through active support from our Branches it was possible for us to hold the Annual General Meeting of the Institute on 5th September, 2009 which is much before the statutory requirement of Company's Act.

The Institute has already got empanelment as an Assessing Body for Fabrication sector courses under the Govt. of India DG & ET-Modular Employable Skills, Skill Development Initiative. This empanelment would provide enormous opportunity to the Institute to assess welders trained under the scheme at various Govt. and private ITI's/ITC.

The Authorized National Body (ANB) in India is conducting refresher courses at different parts of the country so that a large number of professional may obtain International Welding Diplomas. Welding professionals may obtain International Qualifications by joining various courses. I would request all our members to avail this opportunity and also give a wide publicity to the respective Industry.

You are well aware that we will be hosting IIW Annual Assembly & International Conference in India in 2011 from 17th to 20th July and Welding India 2011, the International Welding Technology Exhibition from 20 to 22 July 2011 at Chennai. Preparatory works for this event have already been started. We need all of your active support and co-operation for organizing this event first time to be held in India.

We need to give more thrust for enrolling of new membership I would request all of our Branch Managing Committees to put their best efforts for revival of defaulting members as well

Let us work together to take this Institute to further heights. I look forward to meeting you at Kolkata during National Welding Seminar 2009.

With warm regards.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Parimal Biswas'.

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