MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Dear friends,

Let me wish you all on the arrival of New Year 2007 even in late hours. Be happy and make others happy.

The 3-days National Welding Seminar (NWS-2006) was held between 24-26 November 2006 at Chennai. Along with this Seminar an Exhibition was also held. I thank the Organising Committee for making this event a grand success. Considering the success of National Welding Seminar NWS'06, the Chennai Branch have been given further responsibility for organising the International Welding Congress (IIW-IC-2008) scheduled to be held at Chennai during January 2008. The Organising Committee for this event has already been formed and work is on full swing.

In my earlier message I had informed you that International Accreditation Board (IAB), a division of International Institute of Welding has already given preliminary accreditation to the Institute as an Authorised National Body (ANB). For becoming full-fledged ANB - our documents must be authenticated by the Auditor of IAB. I am also pleased to inform you that Audit team from IAB is arriving India during 2nd week of March'07 for due Audit of Documents. If we succeed then through becoming a full-fledged ANB from India a new era can be started towards conducting various Education Programme of International level.

Since the Indian Welding Journal is the mouth piece of the Institute, to make this organ more viable, we have recently joined hands with the American Welding Society for the benefit of all our members.

I also take this opportunity to heartily congratulate Dr. Baldev Raj, a past President of our Institute for being chosen for the prestigious Padmasree Award.

I am sure, through all of your active participation we can take this Institute to a greater height.

With all my best wishes,

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