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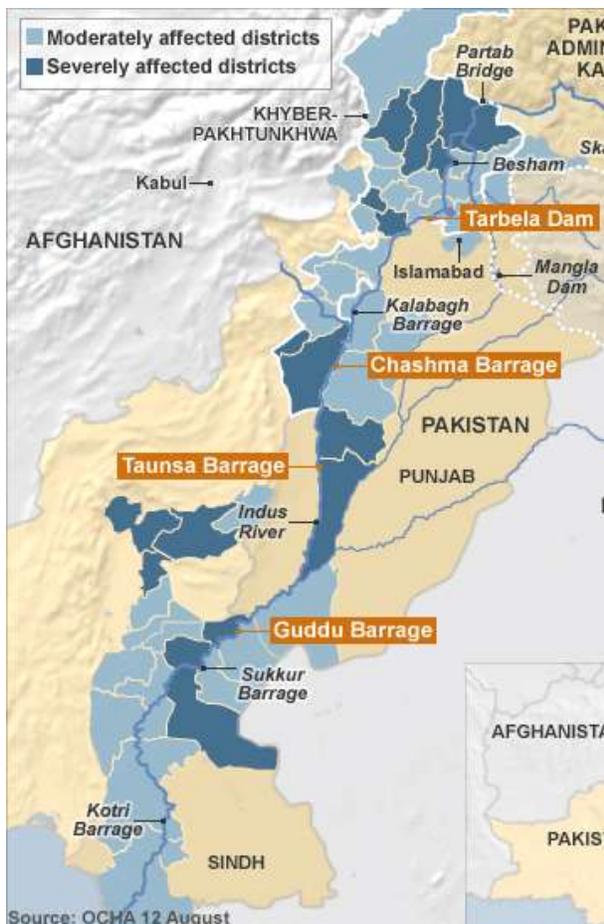
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UN SECRETARY GENERAL BAN KI-MOON: 'SO MANY PEOPLE, IN SO MANY PLACES, IN SO MUCH NEED'

UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon has described as 'heart-wrenching' the destruction he witnessed on a visit to flood-devastated Pakistan. Mr Ban said the scale of the disaster was greater than anything he had seen before. He again urged the world to speed up aid to the country, saying shelter and medicine were desperately needed.

The Pakistani government says up to 20 million people have now been affected by the monsoon floods. At least 1,500 are known to have lost their lives. Health experts are warning that the threat of epidemics in flood-hit areas is growing.

Ban Ki-moon flew by helicopter over four districts of Punjab, the province known as this country's bread basket. Now from the air it looks like a land of sprawling lakes. Valuable crops like sugar cane and wheat are under water. Mud houses are submerged, millions have fled.

The UN says not even half are receiving aid. 'I will never forget the destruction and suffering I have witnessed today. In the past I have seen scenes of natural disaster around the world, but nothing like this. The scale of this disaster is so large. So many people in so many places in so much need.' He announced a further \$10m (£6.4m) from the UN's central emergency response fund, making a total of \$27m from the fund so far, and repeated his calls for the international community to come to Pakistan's aid. 'The people of Pakistan need food, emergency shelters, medicines, clean water.'

'We are all deeply concerned about the spread of diarrhoea and other water-borne diseases. All our combined medical capacity will be needed to provide the right drugs and care.'

He said one fifth of Pakistan had been ravaged by floods. 'The flood waves must be matched with waves of global support,' he said. 'I call upon the whole of the nation, all of Pakistan; indeed I call upon the world to support us and to listen to the voice of the United Nations to support Pakistan.'



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EDITOR'S NOTE

Scientists at the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) said that there is no doubt that higher global temperatures were behind the floods in Pakistan and this could turn out to be the worst impact of climate change to date. Mudslides in eastern China and the heat wave and fires in Russia have also been linked to the same cause.

Whatsoever be the reasons, Pakistan has been hit by these floods as never before in its history. Currently the Indus River is at its highest recorded water level in more than 100 years, and the floods have displaced up to 20 million and killed an estimated 1,600 people. The floods have also caused lasting damage to roads and other infrastructure, livestock and agriculture.

But this situation is only the tip of the iceberg. As days will pass, the extent of damages will be better known. Deaths due to epidemics are expected to surpass the deaths from the floods. The damage to crops will push the country to virtual starvation. The prices of all the commodities are already sky rocketing. It certainly is a nightmare for Pakistan.

At this hour of need, all Pakistanis at home and abroad have opened their hearts and wallets for the flood victims. Pakistanis living in Canada are also taking the lead and in no way are second to anyone else for this humanitarian cause.



It is heartening to know that the NEDAC Board and all NEDAC members have risen to the occasion. They are hand in hand with the Pakistani community in Canada in this hour of need to help Pakistan as best as they can.

Almost all NEDAC members are making donations to various organizations for the flood victims in cash and material support. Many are participating open heartedly in fund raising dinners. Prominent among them are M/s Shiraz Rehmani, Ghulam Hussain Malik, Samir Dossal, Khaliq Najmi and Fayyaz Siddiqui and Ms Shama Qureshi.

This issue of *NEDAC News* comes to you in the background of the floods in Pakistan. The Editorial Board considered not publishing this issue at this time. But in the end it was decided to publish it to maintain the schedule of providing *NEDAC News* to the membership on a quarterly basis.

Mahmood Manzoor
Editor

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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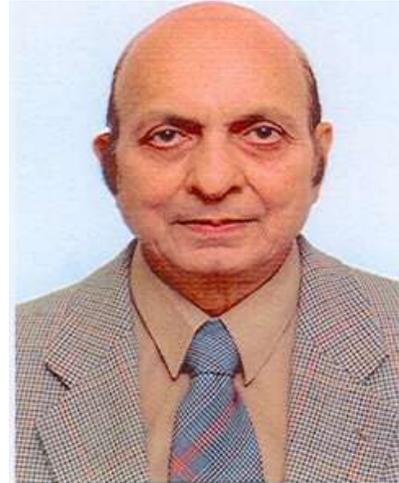
Mr. Sahir Zamir

Mr. Syed Imran Ahmed

At the time of writing this message nothing comes to the mind other than the plight of Pakistani flood victims and their sufferings. There is a total devastation of infrastructure, houses, farms, standing crops and cattle in the region. More than four million people are affected by the recent floods. People have lost every thing they had before the floods in no time. About two thousand people are dead and many more will die of hunger, disease and snake bites.

The UN rates the losses suffered due to the floods in Pakistan to be greater in magnitude than tsunami and Haiti earthquake. International community is collecting funds to provide relief to the flood victims. People of Pakistani origin living abroad are also playing their part in generously donating and organizing fund raising events.

The NEDAC board members as well as its entire membership have also opened up their purses and are fully participating in their own way in various events to redress the sufferings of flood affected people in Pakistan. Whatever we have done is certainly helpful but it is not enough. We should do more as we are in a better position to come to the rescue of these unfortunate people. Allah SWT will reward us manifold for any assistance we will provide to our suffering brothers, sisters and children especially during the month of Ramadan.



There are a number of reputable charities helping the flood victims in Pakistan. You can select from the following list for sending your donations:

Pakistan Red Crescent Society
Canadian Red Cross
Oxfam Canada
World Vision Canada
Save Children Canada
Care Canada
Doctors without Borders/MSF
Relief International
UNICEF
IDRF
Development and Peace
Islamic Relief Canada
EDHI

In the end I would like to congratulate Mr. Masood Rao whose son has recently got married. My felicitations are also due to Syed Junaid on the occasion of the marriage of his daughter. I wish the new couples a very happy, prosperous and eventful married life.

I also wish all NEDAC members
Ramadan Mubarak.

*Ismat Kamal, P.Eng.
President, NEDAC*

NEDAC ORGANIZED ITS FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER AND MUSICAL EVENING

NEDAC organized its 4th Annual Dinner and Musical Evening on Friday, the 4th June 2010 at the Payal Banquet Hall in Mississauga. This event was a major success and was greatly admired by all those who attended the event.

Approximately 500 guests, mainly NEDAC members and their families attended the evening.



Hon Jason T. Kenney, Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism was the Chief Guest for the evening while HE Sahibzada A Khan, Consul-General of Pakistan was the Guest of Honour. The Special Guest of the evening was Dr. Nazimuddin Qureshi, Dean Faculty of Mechanical Engineering NEDUET, who specially came from Pakistan to attend and honour the evening. Her Worship Hazel McCallion, Mayor of Mississauga, was among the distinguished guests of the evening.

The master of ceremony was Mr. Shah Quarin Ahmed. The program commenced with the recitation of Holy Quran by Mr. Osaid Syed It was followed by a monologue by Mr. Aftab Rizvi.

Mr. Ismat Kamal, President NEDAC, introduced his team of Board members to all guests. This was followed by his welcome speech. It was followed by speeches from the distinguished guests, Dr. Nazimuddin Qureshi, HE Sahibzada A Khan and Hon Jason T. Kenney. The Chief Guest mixed up freely with participants of the evening after his speech.

Her Worship Hazel McCallion made her speech when she arrived later after attending another event. All the distinguished guests were given special plaques by Mr. Ismat Kamal.

A plaque was awarded to Syed A Junaid, for his devoted work towards the cause of NEDAC.

A splendid dinner was served, followed by a wonderful musical program. Toronto's talented Avenger Group entertained the audience with melodious songs.

The program also included lucky draws, which continued throughout the musical program.

The wonderful evening was well organized by Mr. Islam Nabi Khan, Social Secretary NEDAC. The excellent work of Mr. Islam Nabi Khan was reflected

Mr Naushad Ahmed headed the team of very efficient volunteers. All the volunteers were awarded certificates. Mr. Mahmood Manzoor, VP NEDAC gave away the certificates.



The audience fully enjoyed the delicious food and the entertaining music. The feedback received from all present was very positive and everyone agreed that this had been an extremely successful event.

Photographs of the Event are on NEDAC website.

FOURTH ANNUAL DINNER AND MUSICAL EVENING



NEDAC ORGANIZED ITS SECOND ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC IN HIGH PARK, TORONTO

It was Saturday, the 10th of August 2010, when NEDAC organized its second annual family picnic in High park Toronto. The picnic was attended by a large number of NEDAC members and their families. Luckily after a couple of hot weekends, this day was moderate and with mild breeze all over Toronto. It was indeed a perfect day for picnic. Guests started arriving at 10:30am which kicked off the networking activities among the members.

This event was well organized by Mr. Irfan Arab, Chairperson of NEDAC Sports and Recreation Committee, and was duly supported by his Committee members of Mr. Khaleeq Najmi, Mr. Islam Nabi, and Mr. Syed Imran Ahmed and a group of volunteers.

The day was planned with various sports activities organized by the Sports and Recreation Committee. It started with two sporting events of Soccer and Cricket side by side. A great number of guests participated in these two events. Teams were drawn and friendly matches were played between the teams.

At about 2:00 pm the lunch was served which was very well appreciated by all the picnic participants. The catering was from Silver Spoon restaurant, who has found the secret of satisfying the taste of NEDAC members. The lunch arrangements were done by Mrs Irfan Arab, who worked very hard to make picnic look like her family event. She was assisted by wives of other Board members also.

After the lunch, Mr. Islam Nabi Khan kicked off the games for the families which included Helium Stick, Tug of War (separate for children, ladies and men) and Sac Race for children, Mr, Shiraz Rehmani kept many children busy with Kite Flying. In all, it was fun and enjoyment for everyone.

At the end of the day, NEDAC President Mr. Ismat Kamal and the Sports and Recreation Committee members, thanked all for their participation making picnic event successful. NEDAC Volunteers Najmi Khaleeq and Sahir Zamir efforts were acknowledged. NEDAC members greatly appreciated the efforts of NEDAC for providing the social platform for its members.



SECOND ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC



NEDAC BOARD (2008-2010) – EIGHTH MEETING

The 8th meeting of the NEADC Board was held on 10th April 2010 at 10:00 am in Room 'A' of the Toronto Public Library, Fairview Branch.

Mr. Ismat Kamal, President NEDAC, chaired the meeting. The meeting was attended by Mr. Mahmood Manzoor, Mr. Shiraz Rehmani, Mr. Muhammad Khaleeq Najmi, Mr. Islam Nabi Khan, Mr. Arshad Azhar, Mr. Irfan Arab, Mr. Osaid Syed and Mr. Sahir Zamir.

The meeting started with recitation from Holy Quran by Mr. Sahir Zamir. The Board members approved the minutes of the last Board meeting.

The main agenda of the meeting was to review the preparations for the upcoming 4th NEDAC Annual Dinner and Musical Evening which was scheduled for 4th June 2010 at Payal Banquet Hal.

Mr. Islam Nabi Khan had prepared a complete plan for the event taking in account the utilization of time to every minute. He presented the step by step plan for the event. The Board members appreciated his efforts and the efforts of the Social Committee

for its hard work in putting together a detailed plan for the event. All the Board members provided their inputs regarding the arrangements, logistics, ticket sales, sponsor coordination, media & communication arrangements and the dinner arrangements.

Another item on the agenda and discussed by the Board was the holding of the next PDC Seminar. Mr. Shiraz Rehmani informed the Board about the response received from NEDAC membership for the selection of the topics for the NEDAC Seminars. After detailed discussions, the Board decided that an additional seminar should be arranged for NEDAC members on PEO Licensing. The date for the PDC Seminar was planned for August after organizing the second Annual Family Picnic.

The meeting concluded with a word of thanks by Mr. Ismat Kamal, who thanked the Board members for attending the meeting and providing their inputs for the NEDAC Annual Dinner and Musical Evening.



NEDAC BOARD (2008-2010) – NINTH MEETING

The 9th meeting of the NEADC Board was held on 29th May 2010 at 10:00 am at the residence of Mr. Ismat Kamal in Mississauga. This meeting was an extra-ordinary Board meeting to discuss and finalize the preparations for the 4th NEDAC Annual Dinner and Musical Evening scheduled for 4th June 2010 at Payal Banquet Hall in Mississauga.

Mr. Ismat Kamal, President NEDAC, chaired the meeting. The meeting was attended by Mr. Mahmood Manzoor, Mr. Muhammad Khaleeq Najmi, Mr. Islam Nabi Khan, Mr. Syed Imran Ahmed, Mr. Arshad Azhar, Mr. Irfan Arab, Mr. Osaid Syed and Mr. Sahir Zamir.

The meeting started with recitation from Holy Quran by Mr. Sahir Zamir. The Board members approved the minutes of the last Board meeting. Mr. Ismat Kamal started the meeting highlighting the importance of preparations for the Annual Dinner and Musical Evening. Mr. Ismat Kamal asked all the Board members to provide tickets sale information for consolidating the ticket sales.

It was decided and agreed by all Board members that tickets sales should be stopped by 1st June 2010 strictly. It was also mutually agreed that no tickets will be sold at the door. Mr. Syed Imran Ahmed was assigned to send press information / reminder to all newspapers for ticket cut off date.

Mr Sahir Zamir was assigned the direction and coordination for group pictures and all the pictures taken during the event by the photographer and videographer, while Mr. Osaid Syed was requested to do the tilawat-e-Quran in the event.

Arrangements were finalized for flowers for guests (bouquets), badges for volunteers, management of food stations and assigning volunteers for dinner and printing of the Souvenir. Arrangements were also finalized for lucky draws to be presented during the event. It was also decided to set up a booth at the event for selling PICNIC 2010 tickets and DVDs of NEDAC last year dinner.

A delicious lunch by served by Mr. Ismat Kamal at the end of the Board meeting.



NEDAC BOARD (2008-2010) – TENTH MEETING

The 9th meeting of the NEADC Board was held on 19th June 2010 at 10:00 am in Room A of the Toronto Public Library Fairview Branch. Mr. Ismat Kamal, President NEDAC, chaired the meeting. The meeting was attended by Mr. Mahmood Manzoor, Mr. Shiraz Rehmani, Mr. Muhammad Khaleeq Najmi, Mr. Islam Nabi Khan, Mr. Arshad Azhar, Mr. Irfan Arab, and Mr. Sahir Zamir.

The meeting started with recitation from Holy Quran by Mr. Arshad Azhar. The Board members approved the minutes of the last Board meeting. The main agenda of the meeting was to lessons learnt 4th NEDAC Annual Dimmer and Musical Evening. Mr. Ismat Kamal gave an overview of the function and appreciated the untiring efforts of everyone to make it a successful event. Of course there is always.

Some weak areas identified were the packed schedule for the event, low vigilance in checking tickets at the gate, non-availability of cushion in time for the Chief Guest going around meeting guests and late arrival of one Chief Guest,

interruption in the supply of desserts for a period of 15 minutes, delayed acknowledgement of Sponsors and not very good acoustics of the Payal Banquet Hall for music program. Some flaws were observed in performance of volunteers suggesting greater care in the screening and selection of volunteers in future is required.

The Board then discussed plans for the 2nd NEDAC Annual Picnic. Mr. Ismat Kamal briefed the Board about the plans for the upcoming picnic and solicited the members to assist in making the event successful. He suggested that a spouses' auxiliary, chaired by Mrs. Arab, be formed to formulate arrangements for snacks and other details which was agreed to by the Board.

It was also decided that only members' families including extended families will be invited to attend the picnic. There will be sports/games before and after lunch. Before lunch cricket match and soccer match will be held. After lunch the games of Helium Stick, Tug of War and Minefield shall be played. Kite Flying for kids 9 years and older was also approved.

INNA LILLAHAY WA INNA ELAIHAI RAJEOUN

AIRBLUE FLIGHT 202, a scheduled domestic passenger flight, crashed on 28th July 2010 near Islamabad killing all 146 passengers and six crew aboard. A few NEDians and relatives of NEDians were also on board the flight who died in the crash. A brief report is as under:

Mr. FAROOQ NADEEM SIDDIQI: Mr. Farooq Nadeem (BE Electrical/1964) was the Managing Director of United Electrical Engineers (Pvt.) Ltd. and Vice Chairman of IEEEEP. He worked hard arranging technical seminars and programs to promote Electrical Engineering professional activities under the banner of IEEEEP Karachi Chapter.

Mr. ZAFAR SALEEM: Mr. Zafar Saleem (BE Civil/1984) had been an athlete who represented NEDUET in inter-universities and provincial levels in pole vault competition and won various awards... Mr. Zafar Saleem was working with the Workers Welfare Board (WWB) in Karachi on various positions since long and held the position of Director General in WWB. He was 50 and is survived by his wife and four daughters.

AYESHA AND ASIF SHEHZAD: Ayesha was the newly wed niece of Mr. Mohammed Khalid (BE Electrical/1978). She lost her life along with her husband Asif Shehzad in the plane crash of Islamabad. The couple was wed on 23rd July, just 5days before the crash. Mr. Mohammad Khalid had gone to Pakistan to attend their wedding.

The NEDAC Board and NEDAC members pray for *maghfarat* of the departed souls

NEDAC BOARD (2008-2010) – ELEVENTH MEETING

The 11th meeting of the NEADC Board was held on 7th August 2010 at 2:00 pm at the Lounge A of the Etobicoke Olympium. Mr. Ismat Kamal, President NEDAC, chaired the meeting. The meeting was attended by Mr. Mahmood Manzoor, Mr. Shiraz Rehmani, Mr. S. Imran Ahmed and Mr. Arshad Azhar.

The meeting started with recitation from Holy Quran by Mr. S. Imran Ahmed. The Board members approved the minutes of the last Board meeting.

The main item of the agenda was the accounts for the periods 2006-2007, 2007-2008 and 2008-2009. The accounts were presented by Mr. Ismat Kamal and discussed by the Board members. Mr. Ismat Kamal gave the background of the accounts for the tenure of the previous Board. Since very fragmented information was available, he did his best to obtain the financial data from the previous Board members in order to complete the accounts. Mr. Ismat Kamal's extraordinary efforts in completing this task were lauded by the Board members. With the proxy votes of Mr. Aslam Mirza and Mr. Islam Nabi Khan, the accounts were approved by the Board with minor suggestions to be implemented.

Details of the convention of NEDEA held at Chicago and attended by some members of NEDAC Board were presented by Mr. Arshad Azhar. He also showed to the Board members a copy of the printed souvenir of the event and a plaque presented to NEDAC at the meeting. The Board members decided to return the plaque to

NEDEA owing to the fact that NEDAC is not a chartered member of NEDIAN-NA as incorrectly stated on the plaque and for which reason the plaque had been presented in the first place. It was decided that Mr. Ismat Kamal will send an email/letter to Mr. Anis Paya and a copy to Afzal Hafeez of Chicago about the return of the plaque. Mr. Arshad Azhar will return it to Mr. Afzal Hafeez on his next visit to Chicago.

During the visit of Mr. Arshad Azhar to Chicago, a meeting had been arranged between him and Ms. Rukhsana Zuberi, Chairperson of Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) on matters of mutual interest between NEDAC and PEC. This meeting could not be held due to cancellation of Ms. Zuberi's visit to Chicago. A meeting may be held on her next visit to Canada in fall of 2010.

Mr. Arshad Azhar also met with Mr. Ashraf Habibullah, CEO of CSI California. Mr. Arshad Azhar briefly introduced NEDAC and its activities for NED Alumni in Canada to Mr. Ashraf Habibullah and formally invited him to attend NEDAC programs. Mr. Habibullah showed interest and agreed to come.

Mr. Mahmood Manzoor presented the Bylaws amendments as suggested by the membership and drafted by the NEDAC Bylaws Committee. The Board members reviewed the amendments and suggested some minor changes for inclusion of some clauses. The Board recommended that the amendments be circulated to the membership for comments before presentation for voting at the AGM.

BE AN AUTHOR

NEDAC Newsletter needs your literary contributions. Please send your technical and literary articles for the Newsletter.

If you wish to share any break through engineering news or an engineering 'Great Achievement', send it to Newsletter. Please include all necessary references for such articles.

Mahmood Manzoor / Editor 'NEDAC News'

NEWS FROM NEDAC

NEDAC DELEGATES MEET WITH DR. SANTOSH GUPTA CHAIRPERSON EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT COMMITTEE PEO.

President of NEDAC, Mr. Ismat Kamal along with founding member Mr. Syed Naseeruddin and Executive Board member Mr. Arshad Azhar met with the Chairperson of the Experience Requirement Committee of Professional Engineers Ontario Dr. Santosh K. Gupta at a formal dinner on 10th July 2010.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the problems encountered by the foreign trained engineers especially NEDians in getting the professional engineering licence.

The meeting was in length with Dr. Gupta for more than four hours on his experience in PEO, public and private sector as professional engineer. Dr. Gupta explained in detail about the licensing process.

He also pointed out the lacking areas of foreign trained engineers where they must have to focus hard in order to be absorbed as professional engineer in Canadian engineering labour market.

He compared the PEO's licensing process with other jurisdiction in Canada and North America

and concluded that getting professional engineering licence in Ontario is comparatively hard with other provinces in Canada. He elaborated the proposed changes in PEO act which is submitted to the Attorney General for approval from the Ontario Parliament.

The proposed bill will go for the first reading in the fall of 2010 before the Parliament. Once it is approved it will ease off the licensing process for foreign trained engineers. NEDAC delegates emphasized how NEDAC community collaborate with PEO in various task especially to overcome difficulties in getting the licence.

NEDAC delegates described in detail about the past and present of NED University, with respect to educational standards, faculties and number of students.

The meeting was concluded with a note of thanks, well wishes and to meet continuously in future to explore the venues of mutual interest and cooperation between PEO and NEDAC community.



NEW NEDAC MEMBERS

It is a great pleasure that ELEVEN (11) new members have joined the NEDAC. With this addition, the total membership has reached the 321 mark.

The eleven new members are Ms. SYEDA FAKEHA ANWAR (BE CS & IT/2008), Ms. NAJMA YASEEN (BE Electrical/1989), Mr. NAEEM AKHTAR (BE Electrical/1987), Mr. SYED MUNAWAR HUSSAIN (BE Civil/1984), Mr. SYED SIBTE KAZIM (BE Mechanical/1969), Mr. MUHAMMAD ABDUL HARIS (BE Mechanical/1999), Mr. SHAH FARIDI (BE Mechanical/1998), Mr. ANIS AHMED (BE Mechanical/1995), Mr. MUJEEB HYDER SHAH MUSAVI (BE Civil/1993), Mr. AMER NISHAT (BE ELECTRONICS/1988) and Mr. KAMRAN AHMED (BE.Mechanical/1988).

NEDAC Board welcomes these eleven members aboard and assures them of its full support.

‘P. ENG.’ LICENSE

Mr. JUNAID AKHTER (BE Civil/1992) obtained the professional engineering licence from the PEO. Now Junaid can proudly write P. Eng with his name and be eligible for jobs that require professional engineering licence in Canada.

Currently, Junaid is working with the Ministry of Transportation as Project Manager in Toronto office. When speaking with Junaid, he mentioned that NEDians and other NEDAC members helped and guided him to earn the professional engineering licence. Junaid likes to thank NEDAC members who encouraged and guided him to achieve this objective. Junaid also offered his time and knowledge to fellow NEDAC members who are in the licensing process. For those who interested may contact Junaid by email at junaidakhter@hotmail.com

MR. EJAZ SIDDIQUE (BE Civil/1979) passed the Experience Requirement Interview of Professional Engineers Ontario on 22nd April 2010. Ejaz started his career with the Engineering Associates (EA), Karachi in 1980 and worked with EA until 1995. In 1995, Ejaz formed his own consultancy firm, Engineering Consortium. Ejaz has 30 years of civil

structural engineering experience in Pakistan. Ejaz has specialization in bridge structure.

Ejaz migrated to Canada with his family in 2009. His sons are studying in McMaster and UofT while his wife took admission in a local college for an Admin Assistant diploma. Ejaz likes to thank to Mrs. Salma Shakeel and some other NEDAC members who encouraged and guide him out for the preparation of ERC interview.

Now, Ejaz is looking for a suitable job to fulfill the PEO's twelve months experience requirement.

MR. SHAMS-UZ-ZAMAN (BE Civil/1981) has recently passed the Experience Requirement Interview of Professional Engineers Ontario. Shams started his professional engineering career with NESPAK, Karachi in 1982 and worked there until 2001 in various capacities. He has more than 25 years of experience in a variety of civil engineering projects from construction and project execution to structural designing.

Shams migrated to Canada with his family in 2001. He has since worked for various geotechnical and building construction firms. He recently joined Genivar Consultant Group and moved to northern Ontario on a Ministry of Transportation project.

Shams would like to thank all NEDAC members who encouraged and guided him in his preparation for the ERC interview.

Please join the NEDAC Board in congratulating Shams for his achievement in clearing the ERC interview.

EMPLOYMENT

MASOOD VIQAR AHMED (BE Mechanical/1989) acquired a permanent Position of Lead Engineer in North Atlantic Refinery Newfoundland.

In his message he said ‘This position exactly matches my experience and qualifications. I am thankful to NEDAC Board, as through this forum I had very good interaction with senior professionals which played a vital role in my job search’.

NEDAC Board wishes him all the best for his future life and big success in the career.

NEWS FROM NEDUET

NEDUET WINS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

NEDUET clinched 8th Aga Khan University (AKU) Inter-University Football Tournament after beating host Aga Khan University by 2-0 here Monday at the AKU Football Ground.

After a dull first half, NED's Omer Mumtaz and Areeb Ali scored in 14th and 16th minute of the second half to record a 2-0 win in the final.

NEDUET INTO FINANCIAL CRISIS

The NED University of Engineering and Technology, like other public sector universities in the country, has plunged into a financial crisis owing to the government's announcement of raising the salaries of government employees by 50 per cent and pension by 15 to 20 per cent.

The university proposed a budget of Rs 1,154.508 million - showing a deficit of Rs79.318 million - for the year 2010-11 which was passed by its senate in the 18th meeting held on Wednesday.

The increase in employees' salaries and pension would cost the institution Rs160 million while there is no sign of the government's coming to the rescue of public sector universities by releasing the funds they require.

In a recent communiqué, the Higher Education Commission (HEC) told the NEDUET that there would be no increase in its grant, which means that the university will receive Rs622.021 million for the next fiscal year.

The amount to be released by the HEC, according to university officials, is not even enough to meet the budget estimates shown under the head of pay and allowances at Rs 697.645 million (expecting a 20 per cent raise in salaries) in 2010-11. Furthermore, the HEC grant is Rs124.401 million short of the Rs746.425 million, the amount requested by the NED.

NEDUET GIRL STUDENT DIES IN TRAGIC ROAD ACCIDENT

A girl student of second-year at the NEDUET, 22-year-old Jaweria Amin, was crushed to death by a fast-moving coach in Gulshan-i-Iqbal area when she was crossing the road with her friends on Friday. She was a second-year student of the Chemical Engineering department at NEDUET.

She was hit when she was crossing the road while returning from the university and was rushed to hospital where she died during treatment. The driver of the coach managed to escape after the accident, leaving the vehicle abandoned which was later impounded by the police.

Daughter of Abdul Moiz Syed, the victim was a resident of Sector 14-A of the Buffer Zone area. The police registered a case (FIR 392/2010) under Section 320 (punishment for qatl-i-khata by rash or negligent driving) of the Pakistan Penal Code (PPC) against the unidentified driver of the coach on the complaint of the victim's father.

IT EXHIBITION AND COMPETITION AT NEDUET

An annual IT exhibition and competition was organized by Computer Science and Information Technology department of NEDUET on 31st May 2010. There were 7 competitions in the event:

1. Software/Hardware competition-CREATIVE MIND INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS
2. Speed Programming-TYPICAL RULES ATYPICAL THINKING
3. Web Designing-LETS ENTER THE WORLD OF CREATIVITY
4. Logic Quiz-RATE YOUR LOGIC
5. Networking-LETS COME TO INVADE THE NETS
6. Gaming-DO YOU HAVE GUTS??LETS ENTER THE GAME
7. Animation-ANIMATE YOUR IDEAS

NEWS FROM NEDUET ALUMNI IN NORTH AMERICA

NED ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (NEDAASC) ACTIVITIES

A Fundraising Dinner and Musical Evening was organized which was a tremendous success beyond expectations.

NEDAASC has set the precedent and is in the forefront among all NED Alumni Associations in USA and Canada in raising funds for scholarships for NED students in Karachi.

Despite the tough economic times and going through the worst recession since the Great Depression, NEDians of Southern California opened their hearts and wallets and raised \$22,000. The sense of belonging and attachment to the Alma Mater made it happen.

NEDAASC plans to raise \$40,000 next year through the generous support of NEDians in California.

A summary of activities is as under:

1. Paid Rs. 401,000 in Scholarships to 30 NED needy students.
2. Essay Competition - Awarded Rs. 75,000 to the following NED students:
 - 1st Syed Waqar Hasan, B.E. Mechanical Engineering (Rs 35,000)
 - 2nd Hira Shumail, T.E, Electronic Engineering (Rs 25,000)
 - 3rd Ayesha Ahmed Siddiqui, F.E., BO (Rs 15,000)
3. Continued Education Seminars at NED Karachi.
4. Contributed \$2000 to NED for 'Pakistan's First On-board Fuel Cell Vehicle'
5. Planning to assist two NED Faculty members in presenting technical papers overseas.

NEDAASC has definitely taken a lead role in supporting NEDUET. Its performance can be an example for all other NEDUET Alumni in North America to follow.

NED ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION OF GREATER CHICAGO CONVENTION

NEDEA Convention 2010 was held at Westin O'Hare in Rosemont (Greater Chicago Area) on Saturday the 31st July, but the festivities started early with a gathering Friday night—acclaimed humorist poet Hashmat Sohail read his poetry;

During the day program on Saturday, the business part of the convention was comprised of two technical forums. The first discussion was on 'Success in Professional Life' and featured Mr. Abul Islam, Dr. Farhat H. Siddiqi and Mr. Mahmood Akhter.

The second forum that followed the first one was on 'Pioneering Technology and Leadership.' Panelists included Mr. Rehan Jalil, Mr. Safwan Shah and Dr. Waheed Uddin.

Saturday night entertainment program of the convention attracted over 250 people—NED alumni, their family members and members of the wider community. Recently deceased NED teachers (Prof. Afaq Ahmad Sheikh, Prof. Mohammad Nauman, and Prof. Anwer Chaudhry) and an alumnus (Farooq Nadeem, killed in the Air Blue crash) were remembered. Prominent NED alumni (Mr. Tanweer Mallick, Mr. Safwan Shah, Dr. Muzaffar Mahmood, Mr. Aftab Rizvi and Mr. Ashraf Habibullah) made speeches. The audience was entertained by musicians and singers: Alamgir, Naila Mughal, and sons of maestro Mehdi Hassan.

Mr. ASHRAF HABIBULLAH (BE Civil/1969) is the founder and CEO of M/S Computers & Structures Inc. (CSI), and is the creator of most of the structural engineering analysis and design software including SAP, ETABS, SAFE, etc.

He has been honoured with many awards already. However, recently he was bestowed upon with the H.J Brunnier Life Time Achievement Award – for excellence in Structural Engineering and changing the practice of Structural Engineering for the better with his development of efficient and usable structural analysis programs.

PAKISTAN ENTERS INTO THE WASHINGTON ACCORD

Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) became a provisional member of the prestigious Washington Accord which would facilitate mobility of engineering graduates and professionals of Pakistan at international levels.

The Washington Accord is an international agreement among registering bodies of member countries accrediting academic engineering programmes at university level, leading to practice of engineering at the full professional level.

With this entry, PEC's accreditation system/process will get an international recognition after full compliance. The graduates from PEC accredited programmes will be facilitated /accepted for education and employment purposes in member countries on completion of membership process.

Pakistan is expected to get full membership of the Washington Accord in about two years after it brings its academic programmes, curriculum and syllabus, examination and evaluation system to the International level and revise its accreditation system to make it fully outcome-based. Now the other signatory member countries would provide

mentoring support to Pakistan. And PEC will also participate in the accreditation activities of the member countries.

The proposal for Pakistan's membership was placed by the PEC delegation comprising of Engr. Senator Rukhsana Zuberi, Chairperson, Engr. Prof. Fazal A. Khalid (Member BoG PEC), Engr. Dr. M. Akbar (Member BoG PEC) and Engr. Dr. Nasir M. Khan, Additional Registrar (Accreditation) of the Council, before the International Engineering Alliance (IEA) meeting 2010 at Ottawa, Canada.

Thanking Dr. Winfred M Phillips the Chair of Washington Accord, Engr. Senator Rukhsana Zuberi assured the Accord members of full compliance to the prescribed benchmark/standards.

PEC is the only authorized statutory body in Pakistan entrusted with the task of undertaking accreditation and registration of Engineering & technology education programmes. All Engineering programmes including those offered by University/college are accredited by PEC. The Council (PEC) evaluates the quality of programmes offered by educational institutions/universities at degree levels.



PROFESSOR ANWER CHAUDHRY PASSING AWAY OF A GREAT NEDIAN

By: Ismat Kamal

In this article, Mr. Ismat Kamal has remembers (Late) Professor Anwer Chaudhry. This is a worthy reading to know how NEDians have excelled in their professional and how their achievements have been recognized at international level.

Editor NEDAC News

With great sorrow and grief I would like to inform you that Prof. Anwer Chaudhry, a long time NEDUET professor of Mechanical Engineering has passed away.

In addition to being an educationist, he was himself a good sportsman. He was the former President International Boxing Federation (IBA) and Pakistan Boxing Federation (PBF) and was manager of Pakistani boxing teams in Olympics and other international games.



With his efforts Pakistani boxers won gold and several silver medals in the international games. Later he became elected President of World Boxing Association and remained so for some time again bringing fame to Pakistan.

He also remained President PBF for 33 years till 2008. He was given away Sitra-e-Imtiaz Award by Government of Pakistan in 1998. Before that he had received IOC Award, UNISCO Award and honorary degrees of Doctorate from American University of Physical Education, Governments of Thailand and Azarbaijan.

Some of you must have personally known him and remember his impressive boxer like personality. I remember him as a kind but strict professor who taught engineering drawing to the first year NED students. In 1962 when I joined the first year of NED, the students of the three disciplines of civil, mechanical and electrical engineering were in the same class. The disciplines were split from the second year.

I pray to Allah SWT for maqfirat of his departed soul and for granting him a permanent abode in the heaven. Ameen.

With great sorrow,

Ismat Kamal
President NEDAC

WEDDINGS IN THE FAMILIES OF NEDAC MEMBERS

The wedding ceremony of Mr. FAISAL RAO, son of Mr. Masood Rao, Ex-Social Secretary of NEDAC, took place on Sunday, the 27th June 2010, with Qurat-ul-Ain. The Valeema reception was arranged by Mr. & Mrs. Masood Rao on Wednesday, the 30th June 2010 at the Versailles

Convention Centre, Mississauga. A number of NEDians and prominent present and ex- Board Members of NEDAC attended the reception while some of Mr. Masood Rao's friends, came from Pakistan especially to attend the wedding ceremony.



The wedding ceremony of Mr. FARHAN KARAMAT son of Mr. Karamat Ibrahim took place with Reham Amir daughter of Mr. Syed Amir-ur-Rehman on 2nd July 2010 at Sagan Banquet Hall in Mississauga. The Valeema reception was held on 4th July 2010 at the same

place. A good number of NEDians were seen on these two occasions. Mr. Karamat and Mr. Amir had been class-fellows at NED and graduated in the year 1974 in electrical discipline and their friendship has turned into relationship.



URDU GHAZAL

By: Syed Manzar Zaidi

Mr. Syed Manzar Zaidi is a Mechanical Engineering graduate of NEDUET of 1978 batch. He has got a great love for Urdu literature. He himself is a poet. His following Ghazal is a good reflection of his good literary capabilities.

Editor NEDAC News

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دل نادان کو نزدیکیاں معلوم ہوتی ہیں
بظاہر جو فصیلیں درمیاں معلوم ہوتی ہیں
انہیں میں سے نکلتی کھڑکیاں معلوم ہوتی ہیں

بڑی مشکل میں ڈالا ہے دل برباد نے مجھ کو
غضب ڈھا کنگلی گرا ظہارا نکا عام ہو جائے
کھلی مخمورا نکھیں تو کسی نے یہ کہا شاید
سے جب نعلہ و شیون تو یہ ارشاد فرمایا
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