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THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF WELDING

Celebrating Diamond Jubilee Day

on

22nd April 2026

at

The Park, Kolkata

Foreward



The Indian Institute of Welding (IIW-India) is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee this year. We have planned a one full day event on 22nd April 2026 at The Park Hotel, Kolkata. It is a matter of great happiness that our institute grown up in many multitudes during the past 60 successful years.

Founded on 22nd April 1966, the institute has got 14 branches across pan India with 5,500 plus members and 150 ICMs. We are planning to establish 3 more branches in Ahmedabad, Raipur and Indore soon.

We have prepared a road map for growth plan up to 2030, in which the institute should achieve a target of 7,500 members and ICMs of 225, and should spread through 28 to 30 centres and branches. Presently IIW-India is concentrating on organising seminars, workshops, meets, and educational programs.

We are the only Authorised Nominated Body in the country to conduct courses of IWE, IWT, IWS & IW. We are also accredited for conducting NWICS, NWTCS, Training of Trainers etc. by NABCB. It is our endeavour to augment resources to conduct more educational programs to the need of students, faculties, managers, engineers, scientists and professionals working in the field of welding. Through implementation of these programs, we hope will achieve the objective of promoting welding technology in the country and follow our motto “Welding for Nation Building” and thereby fulfilling our objectives.

IIW-India was first founded by those day's stalwarts in Welding viz. John Muliyl, S. V.Sambamurti etc. and there were several leaders from welding sector served the institute in various positions. Because of their wholehearted hard work only, The Indian Institute of Welding has grown upto the present stage and considered one of the most powerful professional organisations in the country. I would like to endorse the contributions of all those former leaders of IIW-India especially Past Presidents, Honorary Secretary Generals, Honorary Treasurers etc. and express my sincere gratitude to all of them.

I am very much fortunate and proud that during my Presidency our institute is celebrating the Diamond Jubilee year. At this solemn occasion, I would like to wish all the best to all those associated with this great institution.

Thanking you



Jose P. Philip

President, IIW-India

Editorial



We are in the verge of another milestone, which is to be cherished by all of us at The Indian Institute of Welding, i.e., at IIW-India, the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of the institute! Established in 22nd of April 1966, we have come across a long way, seen ups and downs of the institute, celebrated the Golden Jubilee during 2016 and achieved significant success in its mission to be the Premier Professional Institute in India with a motto 'Welding for Nation Building'.

It is the high time to record the journey so far and chronicle the history of the institute, its achievements and the support provided to the welding fraternity. Thus, the commemorative souvenir is being brought out as a ready reckoner to the members with due acknowledgement to the Golden Jubilee souvenir.

We are very sure that such history will definitely be loved by the members to cherish, especially the younger generation will have an idea on how the institute has travelled and struggled to reach where we are today. We must not forget our predecessors for their tireless efforts to rise the institute to this level; our heartfelt tribute to all of them.

Despite of our sincere efforts, there may be some unintentional errors, or some important information are missing, and as the editor of this chronicle, I will not bypass the responsibility. However, this is the time to cherish and enjoy the moment during our Diamond Jubilee Celebration on 22nd of April 2026. But miles to go before we sleep, and miles to go...

Rituraj Bose
Vice President (East)
The Indian Institute of Welding

Diamond Jubilee Celebration Programme Schedule

22nd April 2026

Time	Description
10:00 – 10:30	Registration
10:30 – 11:00	Assembly with Tea
11:00 – 11:10	Welcome Address by the IIW-India President Mr. Jose P. Philip
11:10 – 11:15	Lighting of the Lamp to inaugurate Diamond Jubilee Celebration
11:15 – 11:20	Felicitation to Dr.-Eng. Tomoyuki Ueyama, Vice President & Treasurer, IIW
11:20 – 11:30	Address by Dr.-Eng. Tomoyuki Ueyama
11:30–11:35	Releasing of Diamond Jubilee Celebration Souvenir
11:35 – 11:40	Announcement of opening the Ahmedabad Branch
11:40 – 12:50	Presentation by IIW-India Branches
12:50 –13:00	Presenting IIW-India Flag to all Branches
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch Break
14:00 – 14:30	Presentation on History of IIW-India by Mr. Ranajoy Banerjee
14:30 – 14:45	An Audio -Visual Presentation– Down the Memory Lane
14:45 – 16:15	Diamond Jubilee Award Ceremony
16:15 – 16:30	Tea Break
16:30 – 16:55	Speeches by Selected Senior Members
16:55 – 17:00	National Anthem
18:00 – 19:30	Cultural Programme
19:30 – 21:30	Celebration Dinner



Message



Dear All,

Thank you so very much for your friendly message and the information entailed. I do gratefully appreciate.

Kindly note that I consider it a blessing being invited to your lovely country and joining this unique event for representing the International Institute of Welding, thereby to underline both the long-lasting history and fruitful future between both organisations, IIW-India, and IIW. Undoubtedly, I would feel more than pleased of course, if, finally, I will be able to meet your high expectations.

Please also notice that I have taken the liberty of copying IIW's President Prof. Thomas Boellinghaus, IIW's CEO Dr. Luca Costa, IIW's Vice-President Mr. Srinivasan Iyer, and, last but very not the least, my superior, Fronius International's CTO Mr. Harald Langeder, in this message to have them also informed of the current status.

Thank you again, I greatly look forward to meeting you soon in person, and yours very truly,

Dr. Stephan Egerland
President-Elect
International Institute of Welding



Message



To
Mr Jose P. Philip, President
Copy to
Mr Rituraj Bose, Vice President

Indian Institute of Welding
IIW-INDIA HOUSE Plot No.38, Geetanjali Park, 200-
Kalikapur Main Road, PO: Mukundapur, Kolkata-700099
India

Date: 10 April 2026
Your ref.:
Our ref.: [IIW_ref]
Object: Message for the celebrations of the 60 Years Jubilee of the Indian Institute of Welding

Dear Mr Jose P. Philip,

On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Indian Institute of Welding (IIW-India), I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations as the Vice President of the International Institute of Welding (IIW).

For six decades, IIW-India has been dedicated to the advancement and dissemination of welding technology both within India and internationally. Your organization has made significant contributions to the training of engineers and researchers, strengthened collaboration with industry, and driven substantial progress not only in the welding field but also across India's manufacturing sector and infrastructure development. These achievements have also had a considerable impact on the global community.

I would also like to express our profound gratitude for the invaluable contributions that the IIW-India has made to the IIW. Through your distinguished members who have served as IIW President, Vice President, Board of Directors and Young Professional Leaders, the IIW-India has played a vital role in shaping the direction and success of our global organization.

The IIW highly values the continuous growth and innovative efforts of IIW-India, and we look forward to further strengthening our close partnership to jointly promote advanced welding technologies and sustainable industrial development.

As you celebrate this important milestone, I would like to express my deepest respect for the dedication of everyone involved, and extend my best wishes for the continued success and prosperity of the Indian Institute of Welding.

Sincerely,



Tomoyuki (Tomo) Ueyama, Dr.-Eng.
Vice President/Treasurer
International Institute of Welding



Message



To,
The President
IIW-India

Dear Mr. Jose Philip,

It is a great pleasure for me to be a part of the Diamond Jubilee celebration of The Indian Institute of Welding which is being celebrated in the country on 22nd April 2026.

I have been associated with IIW-India since the year 1978 when I decided to take welding as a Career in my life. I have seen the Institute's growth and the spread from that period. Today when I roll back, I see the tough road the Institute has travelled and to day the efforts of the members and the trust has brought our Institute as the Premier institute of Our country.

The flagship event is the service IIW-India is offering to the Indian Industries and to the young Welding professionals. Today IIW-India plays a key role in the Global scenario with continuous close associations with the International Institute of Welding and with the Asian sub-continent, offers Knowledge sharing and Education and training and certification programs aligned to the best in the world.

With around 5500 individual Members and over 150 Industrial Corporates, the Institute has been recognized as a trend setter in the field of Material Science and the Material Joining technology.

I congratulate the members for their continuous efforts to deliver the best service to the industries and to the education institutions with regular knowledge sharing programs throughout the country.

My best wishes to the members on this important Milestone.

With kind regards,

R. Srinivasan
Vice President IIW International
Past President IIW-India



Message



It is a matter of immense pride and pleasure to extend heartfelt congratulations to The Indian Institute of Welding on the momentous occasion of its Diamond Jubilee, marking 60 years of dedicated service to the welding fraternity.

Since its establishment in 1966, the Institute has played a pioneering role in advancing welding science, technology, education, and professional standards in India. Through its unwavering commitment to knowledge dissemination, skill development, research, and industry collaboration, the Institute has significantly contributed to strengthening India's manufacturing, infrastructure, and engineering sectors.

Over the past six decades, The Indian Institute of Welding has emerged as a respected platform for professionals, academicians, and industry leaders, fostering innovation and promoting global best practices. Its continuous efforts have helped bridge the gap between industry requirements and professional expertise, thereby connecting India's welding community with the global stage.

As we celebrate this historic milestone on 22 April 2026 at The Park, Kolkata, we honour the visionaries, leaders, and members whose dedication and passion have shaped the Institute's remarkable journey.

On this prestigious occasion, I extend my sincere appreciation and best wishes to the entire fraternity of The Indian Institute of Welding. May the coming years bring greater achievements, stronger global partnerships, and continued leadership in advancing welding excellence.

Congratulations on 60 remarkable years of service, innovation, and professional excellence.

With warm regards and best wishes for the future.



Deepak Acharya
Past President, IIW-India
Member-BOD, IIW

Message



To
Mr Jose P. Philip, President

Copy to
Mr Rituraj Bose, Vice President

Indian Institute of Welding
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India

Date: 04 March 2026
Your ref.: -
Our ref.: 2025-007
Object: **Message for the celebrations of the 60 Years Jubilee of the Indian Institute of Welding**

Dear Mr Jose P. Philip

With this letter, I would like to congratulate you on the occasion of the celebrations for the 60th Anniversary of your association.

The International Institute of Welding is grateful to the Indian Institute of Welding for the great support over the last 60 years to develop the IIW mission to advance welding and joining through a worldwide network.

IIW recognises the seamless efforts taken to ensure a fruitful connection between the Indian Industrial, research and academic communities and the global IIW network. The active participation of your delegates, the number of papers and studies presented, and your personal contributions to IIW key committees and the IIW Board of Directors over the years are invaluable.

In addition, the Indian Institute of Welding is a very active partner of the IIW in providing education, training, and qualification and certification for personnel and companies in Indian territory. The results achieved in awarding IIW diplomas and certificates testify to the Institute's role in supporting the Indian Industry and promoting its recognition at the international level.

Finally, the Indian Institute of Welding is an active member of our network, supporting the involvement of other members of the IIW and developing active cooperation agreements with other welding institutes.

I'm thus presenting the sincerest congratulations and the best wishes to the Indian Institute of Welding on behalf of the IIW Board of Directors of the International Institute of Welding and the whole of our community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Eng. Luca Costa
CEO
International Institute of Welding

Message



Dear IIW-India Members,

I would like to congratulate you all on the remarkable achievement of The Indian Institute of Welding in celebrating its Diamond Jubilee on 22nd April 2026.

It has been both an honour and a privilege to have been involved with your Institute in many activities since 1978, and over the past 30 years attended many of your events in a variety of capacities including as Executive Director, South African Institute of Welding (SAIW), CEO, Welding Technology Institute of Australia (WTIA), and as International Institute of Welding (IIW) President and in various other IIW roles.

I have always been amazed at the willingness and enthusiasm of your Presidents, Office Bearers and members, past and present, to embrace many initiatives so positively and enthusiastically to meet your country's challenges in improving quality of life through welding technology.

The leadership shown with IIW-India's National Welding Capability (NWC) project exemplified by "Welding for Nation Building" is first class and in particular illustrated by your work in education, training, qualification and certification as well as technology transfer and diffusion.

Examples of this include the establishment of your IIW Authorised Nominated Body (ANB) and IIW Authorised Nominated Body for Company Certification (ANBCC) as well as your national programmes.

The holding of a multitude of seminars and workshops nationally, including both local and international experts, as well the extensive range of international conferences are also testimony to this.

Your leadership is also shown by the range of IIW International Congresses, IIW Annual Assemblies, technology innovation and national welding capability workshops which you have held and continue to hold.

Your willingness to share with other countries by your involvement in the Welding Innovations Network (WIN) assists countries across the globe to have easier access to welding technology.

The sheer size of the Indian industry and workforce, and its potential for growth and development in the future, is both impressive and daunting.

All your activities dovetail in with the Indian Government's strategies to improve the quality of life in the country by developing sustainable national welding capabilities aligned with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Good luck and best wishes to everyone in IIW India as you go forward with your incredible initiatives.

Chris Smallbone
Past President and Fellow,
International Institute of Welding

Message



I am happy to learn that IIW-India is completing 60 years of its existence on 22 April 2026. This is a Happy moment and I am happy to note that during the celebration, IIW-India is not accepting any sponsorship. To commemorate the occasion IIW-India is organising a full day event at The Park Hotel, Kolkata.

On this memorable occasion, certain senior members who have been instrumental in promoting the institute to this height will be awarded. Support from members have been the main resource of the IIW-India which helped IIW-India face challenges and navigate various changes. Upgradation and changes are part of growing and for this IIW-India needs to be confident.

The institute have been continuously orienting itself in opening more branches and students' chapters. With progress I wish more branches and students' chapters to come up. The R&D center at HO can be upgraded with larger space and rooms. New programs that will help the local industry in understanding advanced technologies in welding can support in generating more funds for the Institute.

The synergy being formed during the Diamond Jubilee Celebration, will be the major contribution in the field of welding technology. Experiences shared during the celebration will help in spreading the IIW-India further into all states.

I welcome the senior members and international officials participating in this occasion and wish them a benefiting interaction with other members. I wish IIW-India HO, Kolkata, a great success in organising the event.

Best regards,



Honorary Secretary General

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Our Presidents



S. K. Datta
1966-67



Keith Hartley
1967-70



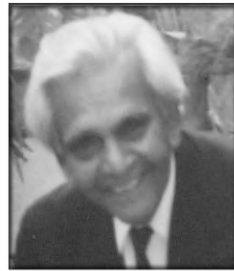
William Burt
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R. J. Shahaney
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I. T. Mirchandani
1974-76



L. M. Pasricha
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John A. Muliyl
1978-80



P. N. Arumugham
1980-82



S. V. Nadkarni
1982-84



S. V. Sambamurti
1984-86



P. S. Visvanath
1986-89



A. K. Basu
1989-91



V. G. Jagannath
1991-93



Placid Rodriguez
1993-95



Our Presidents



J. K. Nanda
1995-97



S. K. Burman
1997-99



M. K. Mittal
1999-01



Baldev Raj
2001-02



K. M. Panthaki
2002-05



A. K. Mukherjee
2005-08



C. C. Girotra
2008-09



R. Ravi
2009-12



P. K. Das
2012-14



R. Srinivasan
2014-17



A. K. Bhaduri
2017-19



Parimal Biswas
2019-21



D. V. Acharya
2021-24



Jose P. Philip
2024-26

On the memorable occasion of Diamond Jubilee, the institute commends the invaluable contributions of the torch bearers of the institute over the last 6 decades and congratulates the following 25 recipients of *'Diamond Jubilee Welding Ratna Award'*

Mr. Subrata Mallik (Date of Membership : 18th January 1968)

Mr. Subrata Mallik, a Metallurgical Engineering graduate from Bengal Engineering College, has had a distinguished career in welding manufacturing and marketing. He worked with IISCO and Indian Oxygen Limited, contributing significantly to welding product operations across India. He served as Secretary of IIW-INDIA Kolkata Branch and later as National Secretary. An expert in hardfacing and surfacing, he delivered lectures at various technical forums and represented India at international seminars, notably at Stratford-upon-Avon, UK.



Mr. J. K. Nanda (Date of Membership: 18-May-1972)



Mr. J. K. Nanda, a Life Fellow of IIW-India, is a stalwart of the Indian welding industry with over six decades of contribution to welding and fabrication companies. A Past President (1995–97), he played a key role in organizing the first International Welding Conference and exhibition in India in 1996. With a distinguished career at L&T and leadership roles in global joint ventures, he pioneered in implementing advanced welding technologies in India. He has contributed extensively to BIS standards, and authored numerous technical papers, shaping the growth of IIW-India and the profession.

Mr. Samir Kumar Burman (Date of Membership: 08-July-1974)

Mr. Samir Kumar Burman is a highly respected welding and inspection expert with over four decades of global experience. A postgraduate in Welding Technology from Aston University, UK, he held leadership roles at Indian Oxygen Ltd. and M. N. Dastur & Co. He later served as consultant to reputed certification bodies. A Past President of IIW-India (1997–99), he has significantly contributed to the institute's growth. He is a Fellow of IIW-India and Institution of Engineers (India), reflecting his technical excellence and leadership.



Mr. Arun Chandra Lahiri (Date of Membership: 13-December-1974)

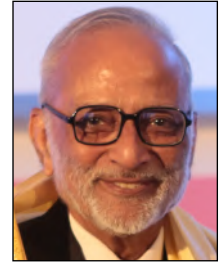


Mr. A. C. Lahiri is an Electrical Engineer (Power) from IIT Kharagpur and a UK Chartered Engineer with extensive experience in welding technology. He began his career with Guest, Keen & Williams Ltd. and later joined Indian Oxygen Ltd., specializing in welding processes. In a career spanning nearly five decades, he held senior leadership roles in India and abroad, including Sr. Vice President of ESAB India Ltd. He contributed to research, education and development in welding technology, presented technical papers internationally and served IIW-India as a Life Member and former Head of the General Purposes Committee.



Mr. Jaikumar C. Shahani (Date of Membership: 13-March-1975)

Mr. Jaikumar C. Shahani is a Mechanical Engineer and Life Fellow of IIW-India with over five decades of experience in welding technology and industrial management. He began his career at CMERI Durgapur and later held senior management roles in DCM Group before leading PD Industries, where he developed advanced welding electrodes and repair applications. In 1985, he founded WATSCO and served as TWI's Consultant in India. He has actively contributed to IIW-India in various leadership roles including Honorary Secretary and Chairman of key committees and has presented numerous papers nationally and internationally.



Mr. Krishan Kumar Kashyap (Date of Membership: 28-July-1977)

Mr. Krishan Kumar Kashyap, a Fellow Member of IIW-India, has been associated with the institute since 1975 and has served in various leadership roles at branch and national levels. A Metallurgy graduate from REC Rourkela, he has over 25 years of experience in welding consumables and allied industries. He later founded Metallurgy & Tribology Services in Jamshedpur, focusing on refurbishment and life enhancement of industrial components. He holds patents in this domain and continues to contribute to innovation in heavy engineering sectors.

Mr. Vijaysing Krishnarao Shirgaokar (Date of Membership: 16- December-1977)

Mr. Vijaysing Krishnarao Shirgaokar is a highly respected welding professional with over five decades of experience. Beginning his career in 1953, he worked with reputed organizations including JB Advani Oerlikon, Kosan Metal Products and D&H Secheron Electrodes Pvt. Ltd., retiring as Vice President (Commercial) in 1993. He later founded Jyoti Consultancy Services. A pioneering member of IIW-India, Mumbai Branch since 1973, he served as Chairman (1989–1991) and contributed significantly to training, welding practices and industry development, reflecting his lifelong dedication to the profession.



Mr. V. R. Ramesh (Date of Membership: 23-April-1980)

Mr. V. R. Ramesh is an experienced materials engineer with a distinguished career spanning industry, academia and professional service. Educated at IISc and IIM Calcutta, he has worked with leading organizations including Indian Oxygen Ltd., Philips and ESAB India. He has held leadership roles in IIW-India, including Chairman of Bangalore Branch and National Vice President. An active trainer and academic contributor, he has delivered lectures and presented papers widely. He is also deeply involved in social service initiatives through Rotary.

Mr. Jose P. Philip (Date of Membership: 21-August-1982)

Mr. Jose P. Philip, President of IIW-India, has been associated with the institute since 1982 through the Cochin Branch. He served as Hony. Secretary, Vice Chairman (1987–1988) and Chairman (1994–2001; 2011–2018). He later held key national roles as Vice President (South) and Chairman of ANB-India and ANBCC. He assumed office as President in 2024. He played a pivotal role in organizing major events including National Welding Seminar (2018) and National Welding Meet (2025). He initiated impactful CSR programs with Cochin Shipyard and Don Bosco Tech in conducting training over 320 underprivileged youths as skilled welders. He also introduced Young Engineers Competition (2016) to promote emerging talent.



Mr. Vijay Shrinivas Galgali (Date of Membership: 20-April-1983)

Mr. Vijay Shrinivas Galgali is a seasoned metallurgical engineer with extensive experience in welding and heavy engineering industries. A graduate of BHU, he contributed significantly during his tenure at Walchandnagar Industries, working on critical projects including nuclear and heavy fabrication. He played a key role in developing welding procedures and consumables for specialized applications. Post-retirement, he has remained actively associated with IIW-India, Pune Branch, contributing to professional activities and mentoring, reflecting his life-long dedication to the welding community.

Prof. (Dr.) Tapan Kumar Pal (Date of Membership: 07-February-1986)

Dr. Tapan Kumar Pal, former Professor of Jadavpur University, is a renowned academician in welding technology. He has guided 23 Ph.D. scholars, published over 150 research papers and completed numerous sponsored projects. He introduced innovative training programme for Post-Diploma in Welding Technology and contributed extensively to industry consultancy. A recipient of several prestigious awards, he also holds patent in low-cost SMAW electrode for welding armour steel. He was the Controller of AM-IIW Examination, and was the Chairman of IIW-Kolkata Branch. Recognized among the world's top 2% scientists in Materials Science, he has significantly advanced welding education and research in India.



Mr. Rahul Sengupta (Date of Membership: 05-September-1987)

Mr. Rahul Sengupta is a Metallurgical Engineer from Jadavpur University with over four decades of experience in the welding industry. He worked with Indian Oxygen Ltd. and ESAB India Limited from 1983 to 2001 in R&D, Quality Assurance and application of welding consumables, rising to Deputy General Manager. He later served as consultant and was associated with teaching and research at Welding Technology Centre, Jadavpur University. Since 2006, he is Director of Radix Arc Private Limited. An International Welding Engineer, he has published papers and served IIW-India as Vice President and Chairman, Kolkata Branch.



Mr. Anupam Halder (Date of Membership: 07-April-1988)

Mr. Anupam Halder is a Civil Engineer from Bengal Engineering College, Shibpur with long-standing association with IIW-India since 1988. He served both Kolkata Branch and Central Council in various capacities. He was Chairman of IIW-India, Kolkata Branch (1997–98), Chairman of the General Purposes Committee (1999–2002) and Vice President of IIW-India from 1999 to 2005. His contributions have significantly supported organizational and professional activities of IIW-India.



Dr. Shaju K. Albert (Date of Membership: 24-November-1988)

Dr. Shaju K. Albert is an eminent materials scientist and former Director at IGCAR. A long-standing member of IIW-India, he has held key roles including Chairman, Chennai Branch, Vice President and Chairman of Technical Committees. He played a crucial role in establishing ATBs under ANB-India and contributed to national standards for welding inspection personnel through BIS. Currently active in certification and advisory bodies of IIW-India, he continues to contribute to education, research and professional development in welding science.

Mr. Alope Kumar Bose (Date of Membership: 26-August-1989)

Mr. Alope Kumar Bose is a distinguished QA/QC, welding and NDT professional with over 44 years of experience across steel, chemical and heavy engineering industries in India and abroad. He has contributed to major projects including Visakhapatnam Steel Plant, Tata Steel and Rourkela Steel Plant. A certified Lead Auditor for ISO 9001 and ISO 3834 and an IWT professional, he specializes in welding inspection, NDT and quality systems. As Director–MCS at IIW-India's ANBCC, he has played a vital role in certification systems and development of welding control practices nationwide. He served as the chairman of IIW-India Kolkata branch from 2005-2008.



Mr. Deepak V. Acharya (Date of Membership: 08-September-1990)

Mr. Deepak Acharya is an accomplished industry leader and CEO of INOX India Limited with extensive expertise in welding technology, manufacturing and strategic management. A former President and Vice President of IIW-India, he led key initiatives in governance, industry collaboration and skill development. He was instrumental in launching Students' Chapters, Skill Development Centres and Women in Welding programmes. His leadership has strengthened IIW-India's global presence, and significantly contributed to the advancement of welding technology and professional development in India.

Mr. N. Kalyana Ramakrishnan (Date of Membership: 08-September-1990)

Mr. N. Kalyana Ramakrishnan (N. Kalyan) is a distinguished technocrat with over five decades of experience in materials testing, welding quality assurance and laboratory accreditation. Founder of ELCA Laboratories in 1974, he developed it into a leading NABL-accredited testing group in India. A Lead Assessor for ISO standards, he has conducted over 500 laboratory assessments nationwide. A former Chairman of IIW-India Mumbai Branch and National President of AOIL, he was honoured with the Government of India's National Award for Outstanding Entrepreneurship in 2007.



Mr. Rituraj Bose (Date of Membership: 19-June-1991)



Mr. Rituraj Bose is a Quality Management Consultant with around 40 years of professional experience. Started career with L&T, he held a key position in Maire Tecnimont, Italy. He is a Governing Council member of AWF and was a member of BOD in IISSEC. Beside Engineering and Management, he acquired qualifications in Welding, NDT, Quality and Management System Audits. He is also a Project Management Professional, certified by PMI, USA. He is actively involved in Skill Development and other welding related activities in the country and presented papers in various National and International forums. He was the Honorary Secretary General and presently serving as the Vice President of IIW-India and the Chairman of IIW-India Certification Division.

Mr. Kamal Kumar Tandon (Date of Membership: 25-April-1992)

Mr. Kamal Kumar Tandon is a Marine Engineer, graduating from Marine Engineering College, Calcutta in 1959. He began his career with Scindia Steam Navigation Company and served up to the position of Chief Engineer. He later joined Indian Register of Shipping in 1975, where he played key role in establishing offices at Visakhapatnam and Goa, and he also played important role in developing systems to meet IACS standards, while retiring as Chief Surveyor in 1998. He is the Founder Chairman of the Institute of Marine Engineers, Goa Branch and has contributed significantly to marine engineering and professional institutions. His contributions have significantly supported organizational and professional activities of The Indian Institute of Welding.



Mr. Asok Kumar Datta (Date of Membership: 22-June-1996)



Mr. Asok Kumar Datta is an experienced engineering professional with a B.Sc. from the University of Calcutta and technical diplomas in Mechanical & Electrical Engineering and Industrial Safety. He served Burn & Co. (presently, Burn Standard Co.) from 1972 to 2002, rising to Deputy Manager in Safety & Training. He later worked as Works Manager at Nexgen Materials Handling Systems Pvt. Ltd. His expertise spans production management, safety systems, industrial operations and training and he contributed as a faculty member for in-house training programmes in safety and engineering practices. He served IIW-India as the Honorary Treasurer from 2002 to 2014 and as the Vice President from 2017 to 2019.

Mr. A. A. Deshpande (Date of Membership: 13-September-1996)

Mr. A. A. Deshpande (Director, Makvin Automation Pvt. Ltd. and Pioneer Hardfacing Pvt. Ltd. of Mumbai) holds B.Tech Degree in Metallurgical Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Mumbai, completed MBA from Deakin University, Melbourne, Australia in 1993 and also completed International Welding Engineer (IWE) course of the International Institute of Welding. Mr. Deshpande started his career with Philips India Welding Division, ESAB India and Welding Alloys Group, Australia till he formed his own Company Makvin Automation. He has numerous publications to his credit in Welding Technology in national and international forums. He is also active in qualification of IWCP personnel. Mr. Deshpande also served IIW-India under various positions including Vice President during 2014-2017.





Prof. (Dr.) V. Balasubramanian (Date of Membership: 13-September-1996)

Prof. (Dr.) V. Balasubramanian is a leading academician and Director of CEMAJOR at Annamalai University with over three decades of teaching and research experience. His expertise includes materials joining and advanced materials processing. He has published over 500 research papers, guided large number of Ph.D. scholars and completed several high-value R&D projects. A recipient of multiple national and international awards, including the prestigious Halil Kaya Gedik Award, he currently serves as Vice President (South) of IIW-India, contributing to its growth and global recognition.

Mr. Abby Joseph (Date of Membership: 05-December-1996)

Mr. Abby Joseph is a seasoned welding professional and Managing Director of voestalpine Böhler Welding, India with over 40 years of industry experience. An International Welding Engineer, he holds an M.Tech from IIT Bombay and a degree in Metallurgical Engineering from Jadavpur University. He has held leadership roles in ESAB India, Nucor Corporation, Ador Welding Limited and voestalpine Böhler Welding Group. He currently leads voestalpine Böhler Welding India and its Technology division. He has also contributed to IIW-India as Central Council Member, Past Vice President (West) and Past Chairman, Mumbai Branch, supporting industry growth and skill development.



Mr. T. V. Prabhu (Date of Membership: 12-December-1997)



Mr. T. V. Prabhu is a Mechanical Engineer from NIT Warangal and a certified International Welding Engineer with nearly three decades of experience at IGCAR, Kalpakkam. He began his career at Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Hyderabad, working on avionics systems, before joining IGCAR. Currently serving as Associate Director, he specializes in welding technology, nuclear fuel fabrication systems and radiological facility design, and developed advanced welding solutions including laser welding for nuclear applications and established R&D facilities. He has around 170 publications and is a recipient of the DAE Scientific & Technical Excellence Award (2018). He held the post of Chairman of IIW-India, Chennai branch for a period of three years.

Dr. Mahadev Shome (Date of Membership: 22-December-1997)

Dr. Mahadev Shome is a renowned expert in welding and materials engineering with over 38 years of experience at Tata Steel. As Head of Welding & Joining R&D, he pioneered welding solutions for advanced high-strength steels and established a world-class Automotive Welding Centre at Jamshedpur. He has contributed significantly to consumable development and additive manufacturing. With over 70 publications and multiple patents, he is a recognized thought leader. He has also served IIW-India as Vice-President (East), contributing to its technical and professional growth.



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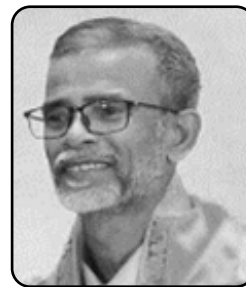
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Chairman, Technical Committee



Ramendra Chandra Saha
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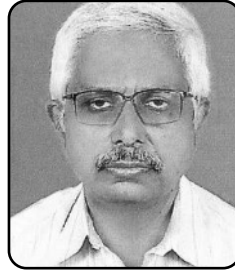
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Student Activity Committee

Representative of Different Divisions

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Shaju K. Albert
Chairman, Advisory Board

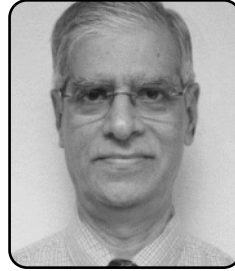


Rahul Sengupta
Chairman, Executive Committee

ANBCC-India



Jose P. Philip
Chairman
Governing Council



Deepak Chandiramani
Chairman
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Chairman
Management Committee

IIW-India Foundation



Ashok Malage
Chairman



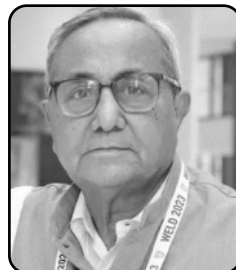
Rituraj Bose
Chairman

Certification Division

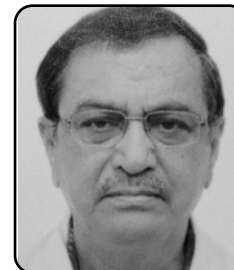
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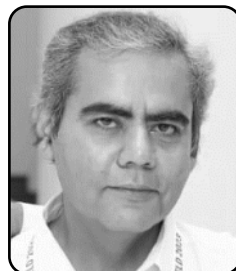
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Director ANB-India



Alope Kumar Bose
Scheme Manager, ANBCC-India



Manas Kumar Saha
Controller of Examination, AM-IIW



Indranil Basu
Corporate Manager



Ranjan Kundu
Manager, Accounts & Services



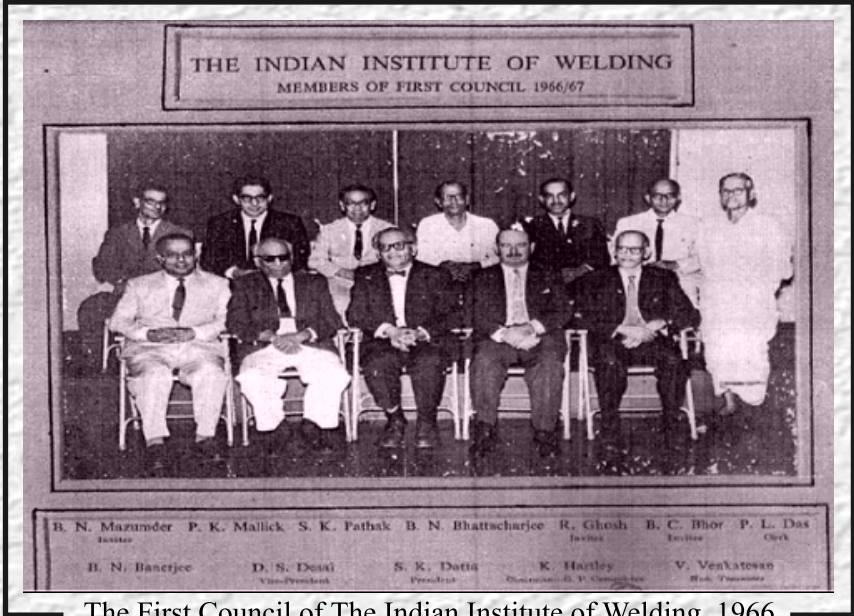
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YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENTS	HONORARY SECRETARY / SECRETARY GENERAL	HONORARY TREASURER
1966-67	S. K. Datta	D. S. Desai & S. S. Mukherjee	S. Basu	V. Venkatesan
1967-68	K. Hartley	D. S. Desai & B. S. Krishnamachar	B. C. Bhar	R. Ghosh
1968-69	K. Hartley	B. S. Krishnamachar & W. Burt	B. C. Bhar	R. Ghosh
1969-70	K. Hartley	B. S. Krishnamachar & W. Burt	B. C. Bhar	R. Ghosh
1970-71	W. Burt	B. S. Krishnamachar & R. J. Shahaney	V. P. Khatri	R. Ghosh
1971-72	W. Burt	B. S. Krishnamachar & R. J. Shahaney	B. Kumar	R. Ghosh
1972-73	W. Burt	R. J. Shahaney & I. T. Mirchandani	B. Kumar	A. K. Sengupta
1973-74	R. J. Shahaney	I. T. Mirchandani & V. Krishnamurti	B. Kumar	A. K. Sengupta
1974-75	I. T. Mirchandani	R. Ghosh & E. Abraham	B. Kumar	A. K. Sengupta
1975-76	I. T. Mirchandani	R. Ghosh & M. H. Pherwani	L. M. Pasricha	A. K. Sengupta
1976-77	L. M. Pasricha	V. R. Deendayalu & S. V. Nadkarni	S. Mallik	A. K. Sengupta
1977-78	L. M. Pasricha	V. R. Deendayalu & S. V. Nadkarni	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Sengupta
1978-79	J. A. Muliylil	P. N. Arumugham & H. L. Prabhakar	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Sengupta
1979-80	J. A. Muliylil	P. N. Arumugham & H. L. Prabhakar	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Sengupta
1980-81	P. N. Arumugham	S. L. Theobald & S. V. Sambamurti	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Sengupta
1981-82	P. N. Arumugham	S. L. Theobald & S. V. Sambamurti	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Sengupta
1982-83	S. V. Nadkarni	N. S. Subanna & D. S. Honavar	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Sengupta
1983-84	S. V. Nadkarni	N. S. Subanna & D. S. Honavar	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1984-85	S. V. Sambamurti	P. S. Visvanath & R. Krishnamurti	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1985-86	S. V. Sambamurti	P. S. Visvanath & R. Krishnamurti	N. Mukherjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1986-87	P. S. Visvanath	A. K. Basu & J. K. Nanda	N. Moorthy	A. K. Mukherjee
1987-88	P. S. Visvanath	J. K. Nanda & B. R. Iyengar	R. Banerjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1988-89	P. S. Visvanath	J. K. Nanda & B. R. Iyengar	R. Banerjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1989-90	A. K. Basu	T. C. Ghosal & V. G. Jagannath	R. Banerjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1990-91	A. K. Basu	T. C. Ghosal & V. G. Jagannath	A. Mukherjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1991-92	V. G. Jagannath	P. Rodriguez & N. K. Sarkar	A. Mukherjee	A. K. Mukherjee
1992-93	V. G. Jagannath	P. Rodriguez & N. K. Sarkar	K. K. Tandon	A. K. Mukherjee
1993-94	P. Rodriguez	J. K. Nanda, S. K. Burman & M. L. Gehani	K. K. Tandon	A. K. Kundu
1994-95	P. Rodriguez	J. K. Nanda, S. K. Burman & M. L. Gehani	K. K. Tandon	A. K. Kundu
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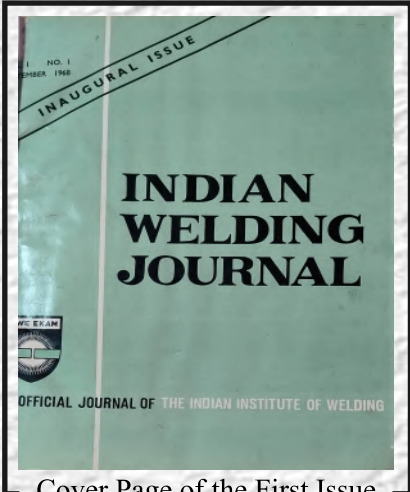
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1996-97	J. K. Nanda	S. K. Burman, M. P. Dhanuka & G. L. Datta	A. K. Mukherjee	S. K. Ghosh
1997-98	S. K. Burman	S. Chaudhuri, M. P. Dhanuka & R. S. Babu	A. K. Mukherjee	R. Kher
1998-99	S. K. Burman	S. Chaudhuri, M. P. Dhanuka & R. S. Babu	A. K. Mukherjee	R. Kher
1999-2000	M. K. Mittal	M. P. Dhanuka, Anupam Halder & M. L. Gehani	J. C. Shahani	J. K. Sur
2000-01	M. K. Mittal	M. P. Dhanuka, Anupam Halder & M. L. Gehani	A. K. Mukherjee	J. K. Sur
2001-02	Baldev Raj	Anupam Halder, K. M. Panthaki & M. L. Gehani	A. K. Mukherjee	B. K. Mishra
2002-03	K. M. Panthaki	Anupam Halder, A. K. Mukherje & V. R. Ramesh	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2003-04	K. M. Panthaki	Anupam Halder, A. K. Mukherje, V. R. Ramesh & S. K. Agrawal	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2004-05	K. M. Panthaki	Anupam Halder, A. K. Mukherje, V. R. Ramesh & S. K. Agrawal	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2005-06	A. K. Mukherjee	B. K. Mishra, R. Ravi, C. C. Girotra & H. K. Sethi	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2006-07	A. K. Mukherjee	B. K. Mishra, R. Ravi, C. C. Girotra & H. K. Sethi	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2007-08	A. K. Mukherjee	B. K. Mishra, R. Ravi, C. C. Girotra & H. K. Sethi	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2008-09	C. C. Girotra	R. Ravi, P. K. Das, R. Srinivasan & S. N. Singh	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2009-10	R. Ravi	P. K. Das, R. Srinivasan, A. K. Bhaduri & M. D. Agrawal	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2010-11	R. Ravi	P. K. Das, R. Srinivasan, A. K. Bhaduri & M. D. Agrawal	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2011-12	R. Ravi	R. Srinivasan, A. K. Bhaduri, Debashih Thakur & P. K. Das	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2012-13	P. K. Das	R. Srinivasan, Hasan Shaikh, Debashih Thakur & K. K. Kashyap	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2013-14	P. K. Das	R. Srinivasan, Hasan Shaikh, K. K. Kashyap & R. S. Parmar	Parimal Biswas	A. K. Datta
2014-15	R. Srinivasan	Hasan Shaikh, K. K. Kashyap, R. S. Parmar & A. A. Deshpande	Parimal Biswas	Paramesh K. Datta
2015-16	R. Srinivasan	Hasan Shaikh, K. K. Kashyap, R. S. Parmar & A. A. Deshpande	Parimal Biswas	Paramesh K. Datta
2016-17	R. Srinivasan	Shaju K. Albert, M. Saibabu, Harish Khurana & A. A. Deshpande	Parimal Biswas	Paramesh K. Datta
2017-18	A. K. Bhaduri	Shaju K. Albert, A. K. Datta, Harish Khurana & D. V. Acharya	Parimal Biswas	Paramesh K. Datta
2018-19	A. K. Bhaduri	Shaju K. Albert, A. K. Datta, Harish Khurana & D. V. Acharya	Parimal Biswas	Paramesh K. Datta
2019-20	Parimal Biswas	Jose P. Philip, Mahadev Shome, Som Ashutosh & D.V. Acharya	Rituraj Bose	Bimal Kumar Das
2020-21	Parimal Biswas	Jose P. Philip, Mahadev Shome, Som Ashutosh & Abby K. Joseph	Rituraj Bose	Bimal Kumar Das
2021-22	Deepak V. Acharya	Jose P. Philip, Mahadev Shome, Som Ashutosh & Abby K. Joseph	Rituraj Bose	Ratan Poddar
2022-23	Deepak V. Acharya	T. Ravikumar, Rahul Sengupta, Som Ashutosh & Abby K. Joseph	Rituraj Bose	Ratan Poddar
2023-24	Deepak V. Acharya	T. Ravikumar, Rahul Sengupta, Biplab Kumar Dey & Abby Joseph	Rituraj Bose	Ratan Poddar
2024-25	Jose P. Philip	T. Ravikumar, Rahul Sengupta, Biplab Kumar Dey & Vineet Marathe	Rituraj Bose	Ratan Poddar
2025-26	Jose P. Philip	V. Balasubramanian, Rituraj Bose, T. J. Prasada Rao & Vineet Marathe	RatanPoddar	Devasis Paul

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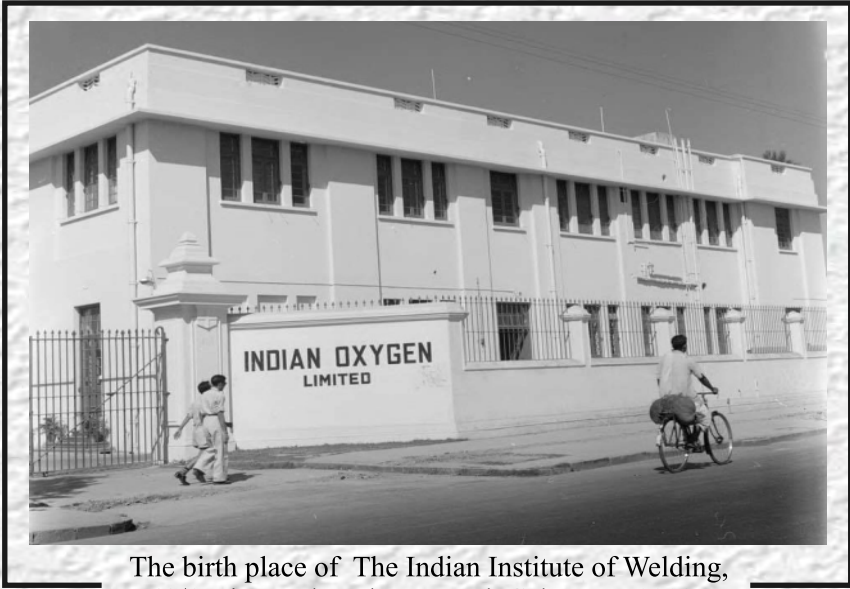
The First Council of The Indian Institute of Welding, 1966



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The birth place of The Indian Institute of Welding, 48/1 Diamond Harbour Road, Calcutta -700027

Inauguration of IIW-India House, 26th September 2013



Flag hoisting by Mr. R. R. Bhattacharjee



Inauguration by Mr. S. V. Sambamurti



Lighting of Lamp by Mr. Parimal Biswas & Mr. B. K. Mishra



Gathering during the inaugural function



IIW-India House

Annual General Meeting of the Institute



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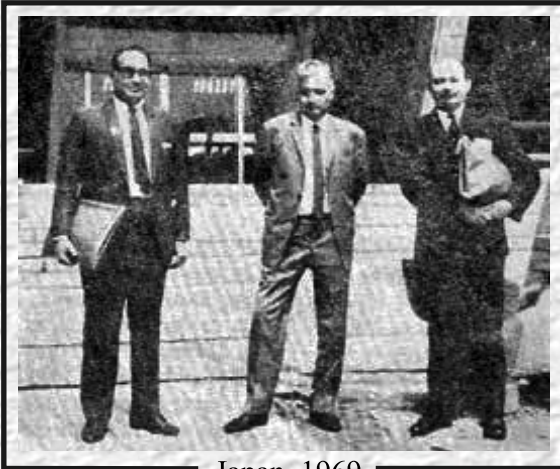


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Indian Delegation at the Annual Assembly of International Institute of Welding



Japan, 1969



India, 2011



South Korea, 2014



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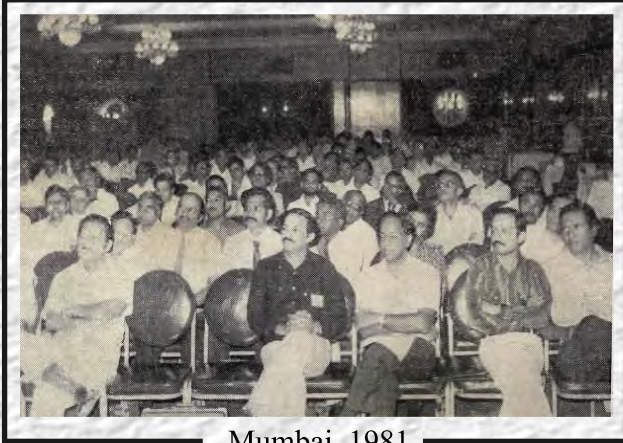


Genoa, 2025

National Welding Seminar



Kolkata, 1967



Mumbai, 1981



Kolkata, 1985



Bangalore, 2013



Jamshedpur, 2024



Cochin, 2025

International Congress



Mumbai, 2005



Chennai, 2017



Mumbai, 2020



Bangalore, 2024



National & International Welding Competitions



Arc Cup International Welding Competition 2018, China



Arc Cup International Welding Competition 2023, India



Arc Cup International Welding Competition 2024, China



International Welding Competition 2025, Germany



National Best Welder Competition for Women, 2019



National Best Welder Competition for Women, 2021

Few other programmes



AM-IIW Convocation, 2002



Weld India Exhibition, 2017



Inauguration of Students' Chapter, 2023



National Welding Meet, 2023



Awareness Programme, 2025



Young Professionals' International Conference, 2025



IIW-India – A Journey of Sixty Glorious Years

FORMATION OF THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF WELDING IN INDIA

Rebuilding of Indian Industry was visualised soon after independence and for this, five year plans were launched, in which infrastructure development and growth with self-reliance were given the utmost priority. Core industries such as steel, mining, railways, capital equipment, oil & gas, fertilizer, petrochemical, cement, nuclear power, defence equipment and ancillary industries were targeted for achieving growth at a fast pace. Technology change was one of the major thrusts provided by the Government of India. As a result, welding technology was developed and used effectively replacing the less productive metal joining processes.

In pursuance of exploiting welding technology, the need for welding equipment, consumables and professionals arose. At that time there was no organised body or association in the country that could bring the technical developments to light or give them any visibility. In the absence of such an association, many welding engineers and professionals opted to become members of The Welding Institute, London (now known as TWI). As membership of Indian professionals in TWI grew, it decided to form a 'Chapter' in India in the mid-1950s.

The Chapter held its meetings in the Association of Engineers Office within the Bengal Chambers of Commerce with Sir L. P. Misra as its Chairman, Mr. B. N. Mazumder as the Secretary and Mr. B. C. Bhar as the Treasurer. The Chapter used to have periodic Technical meetings and also an annual dinner along with one of its Technical Meetings.

Subsequently, a few dynamic and farsighted individuals decided that they would form a welding institute in India, and to fulfil this dream, a meeting of the subscribers (members) of the Indian Chapter of The Welding Institute (London) was held on the 5th of May, 1960 in the office of the Indian Oxygen Ltd., at 48/1 Diamond Harbour Road, Calcutta; under the leadership of Sir L. P. Misra, the then Director of M/s.Hindustan Motors Ltd. Rai Saheb N.G. Chatterjee of the then Heavy Engineering, Calcutta and Mr. Keith Hartley of Indian Oxygen Ltd., also championed the formation of the Institute.

The gentlemen from Calcutta, mentioned hereafter, attended this meeting, when they agreed to form 'The Indian Institute of Welding' with the objectives of promoting the advancement of arts and science of welding technology and its allied subjects, technology diffusion to industry, improving the image of welding technology including the health and safety on welding, and advancing Education and Qualification in welding in India, in line with International Standards, which will be globally recognized and accepted. The goal was to be a proper professional Institute in making Indian Industry locally and globally competitive in welding related activities.

Gentlemen who attended the meeting

Shri M. N. Dastur	: M. N. Dastur & Co.(P) Ltd.	Shri J. A. Muliyl	: Indian Oxygen Ltd.
Shri D. S. Desai	: M. N. Dastur & Co.(P) Ltd.	Shri V. R. Subramanian	: Indian Oxygen Ltd.
Shri P. K. Mallik	: Burn & Co. Ltd.	Shri S. K. Pathak	: Braithwaite & Co.
Shri S. S. Mukherjee	: South Eastern Railway	Shri V. Venkatesan	: Braithwaite & Co.
Shri S. Basu	: Consulting Naval Architect	Shri B. N. Bhattacharya	: D.G.S.& Inspection Wing
Shri Keith Hartley	: Indian Oxygen Ltd.	Shri B. N. Majumdar	: D.G.S.&D
Shri R. Ghosh	: Indian Oxygen Ltd.	Shri B. N. Banerjee	: Bridge & Roof Co.(India)
Shri A. K. Sen	: Indian Oxygen Ltd.		

However, the formation of the Institute took another 5/6 years and as a first step at the behest of the subscribers, Mr. Keith Hartley wrote to the Secretary of The Welding Institute, London of their desire to form an Institute for welding in India. It must be noted that TWI, London was very supportive of the idea. Subsequently, on the 9th of December 1965, a letter was received by Mr. S. Basu, Secretary of TWI, India Chapter conveying the Resolution of the Council of TWI (London) for closure of the TWI (India Chapter) with effect from 30th of September 1965. Further, TWI (London) very kindly agreed to transfer all the assets of TWI (India Chapter) to the proposed 'The Indian Institute of Welding'.

Finally, The Indian Institute of Welding could be formed and incorporated on 22nd of April 1966. Unfortunately, Sir L. P. Misra could not see its formation as he passed away in 1964.

The Indian Institute of Welding started functioning with only 15 members representing Railways, DGS&D, BIS (then known as Indian Standards Institution), Naval Academy, Indian Oxygen Ltd., M.N. Dastur & Co., Burn & Co., Braithwaite & Co. and Bridge & Roof Co. Many industries dealing with welding were not interested to join the Institute initially.

The first meeting of the subscribers was held on 19th of May 1966, when the first council was formed with **Mr. S.K. Datta** as the **President**. The other members were:

Mr. D. S. Desai	Vice President
Mr. S. S. Mukherjee	Vice President
Mr. S. Basu	Honorary Secretary
Mr. V. Venkatesan	Honorary Treasurer
Mr. K. Hartley	Chairman, General Purposes Committee
Mr. S. K. Pathak	Member
Mr. P. K. Mallik	Member
Mr. B. N. Bhattacharya	Member

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The newly formed Council at its first meeting held on the same day took the following decisions:

- It was resolved that the Registered Office of The Indian Institute of Welding will be at 24, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta-700001.
- It was proposed that a Common Seal be designed and placed in the next meeting.
- It was resolved that the appointment of M/s. T. K. Ghose & Co. as auditor of the Institute at a fee of Rs.32/- for the year be approved.



Members of IIW-India - 1966

Individual Members

Sl. No.	Name	Incorporation of Membership	Sl. No.	Name	Incorporation of Membership
1	Mr. B. N. Banerjee	May -66	22	Mr. Tapas Kumar Ghosh	Sep-66
2	Mr. S. Basu	May -66	23	Mr. N. C. Haldar	Sep-66
3	Mr. S. K. Datta	May -66	24	Mr. D. S. Honavar	Sep-66
4	Mr. M. N. Dastur	May -66	25	Mr. P. K. Mukherjee	Sep-66
5	Mr. D. S. Desai	May -66	26	Mr. P. T. Patel	Sep-66
6	Mr. R. Ghosh	May -66	27	Mr. D. K. Sanyal	Sep-66
7	Mr. Keith Hartley	May -66	28	Mr. T. S. Venkataraman	Sep-66
8	Mr. B. N. Mazumdar	May -66	29	Mr. S. S. Ahmad	Sep-66
9	Mr. P. K. Mallick	May -66	30	Mr. D. N. Ankleswaria	Sep-66
10	Mr. J. Muliyl	May -66	31	Mr. M. V. D. Kamath	Dec-66
11	Mr. S. S. Mukherjee	May -66	32	Mr. H. K. Roy	Dec-66
12	Mr. S. K. Pathak	May -66	33	Mr. S. P. Roy	Dec-66
13	Mr. N. Raghunandan	May -66	34	Mr. M. Sinha	Dec-66
14	Mr. A. K. Sen	May -66	35	Mr. N. Adhikary	Dec-66
15	Mr. V. R. Subramanyan	May -66	36	Mr. Debaprasad Banerjee	Dec-66
16	Mr. V. Venkatesam	May -66	37	Mr. Ashish Kr. Chowdhury	Dec-66
17	Mr. E. Abraham	Sep-66	38	Mr. B. R. Das	Dec-66
18	Mr. S. Balasubramanyam	Sep-66	39	Mr. Sisir Kumar Das	Dec-66
19	Mr. P. K. Banerjee	Sep-66	40	Mr. C. P. Srivastav	Dec-66
20	Mr. R. D. Bansal	Sep-66	41	Mr. A. Jaheed	Dec-66
21	Mr. D. C. Brown	Sep-66	42	Mr. A. K. Chakraborty	Dec-66

Industrial Corporate Members

Sl. No.	Name	Incorporation of Membership
1	M/s. Tungabhadra Steel Products	Aug - 66
2	M/s. Bridge & Roof	Sep - 66
3	M/s. Britania Bldg. & Iron Co. Ltd.	Sep - 66
4	M/s. Stewarts & Lloyds of India Ltd.	Sep - 66
5	M/s. Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.	Sep - 66
6	M/s. Hindusthan General Industries	Dec - 66

HOUSING OF THE INSTITUTE



IIW-INDIA HOUSE, KOLKATA

The Institute started functioning from a room located at the 48/1 Diamond Harbour Road, Calcutta-700027 by courtesy of the erstwhile Indian Oxygen Ltd., Calcutta, who provided extensive support for the formation of the institute and its function during the formative years. On 1st October 1969, the registered office was shifted from 24, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta-700001 to 48/1, Diamond Harbour Road, Calcutta-700027.

1966 - 2026

In January 1984, the Institute purchased a flat of moderate area in Kolkata at Mayur Apartments, Flat No. 4B/N, Fourth Floor, 3A Dr. U. N. Brahmachari Street (earlier Loudon Street), Kolkata-700017, and the registered office was then shifted to Mayur Apartments, from 48/1, Diamond Harbour Road, Calcutta-700027.

As the activities of the Institute increased, this space was found to be inadequate. Hence, a 3-story building was purchased at Plot No. 38, Geetanjali Park, 200 Kalikapur Main Road, PO: Mukundapur, Kolkata-700099, which was inaugurated by Late Mr. S. V. Sambamurti, one of the Past Presidents on 28th September 2013. The flag of the institute was hoisted by Late Mr. R. R. Bhattacharjee, one of the senior-most members of IIW-India. The Head Office was shifted to this new house (christened as IIW-India House). Thereafter the Registered Office also shifted from Mayur Apartments to the Head Office at IIW-India House, in February 2020.



48/1, Diamond Harbour Road, Calcutta-700027



VISION STATEMENT

Be the major driving force in building up and adding values for a **“National Welding Capability”** as the premier professional institute In India.

MISSION STATEMENT

Attract more and more individuals to choose welding as a career, as we consider it as a noble profession that contributes enormously to nation building.

MOTTO

“Welding for Nation Building”

The Tag line of “The Welding for Nation Building” was adopted in the year 2009.

This was coined mainly with the view to focus the welding activity is of importance for the Growth of the Nation, and to increase the awareness of Welding as a profession. On date the awareness of the welding profession has not received the importance it deserves mainly due to the lack of awareness of the role welding has played in the country.

The use of welding technology has spread to every aspect of manufacturing of products ranging from a tiny Blade to Huge Ships, Spacecraft and is an integral aspect of manufacturing.

It is the wish of the institute, that this slogan will spread the awareness on welding and will be able to drive the industries to recognise the welding as a much-sought profession and carrier in the country.

QUALITY POLICY

The Indian Institute of Welding (IIW-India) shall strive to advance toward its stated Vision and Mission by establishing and continually improving the overall quality of its services. The institute is committed to serve the welding fraternity through its presence and active support in the field of welding science and technology; and is also committed to establish an effective mechanism to diffuse the knowledge of welding science and technology to every possible stakeholder from unskilled to highly skilled resources with a motto “Welding for Nation Building”.

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

- ✓ To assist human resource development through national and international diplomas and certification.
- ✓ Research and development in the field of welding science and technology.
- ✓ To establish and promote international standard of quality for the Indian fabrication industry, so that the global competitiveness can be achieved.
- ✓ Skill development programme for every level of welding professionals.
- ✓ To support educational institutes and industries with respect to welding.
- ✓ To establish a good relationship with industry to support issues related to welding.
- ✓ To improve the image of welding and its practitioners in the society by bringing awareness about its importance and contribution to the national economy.

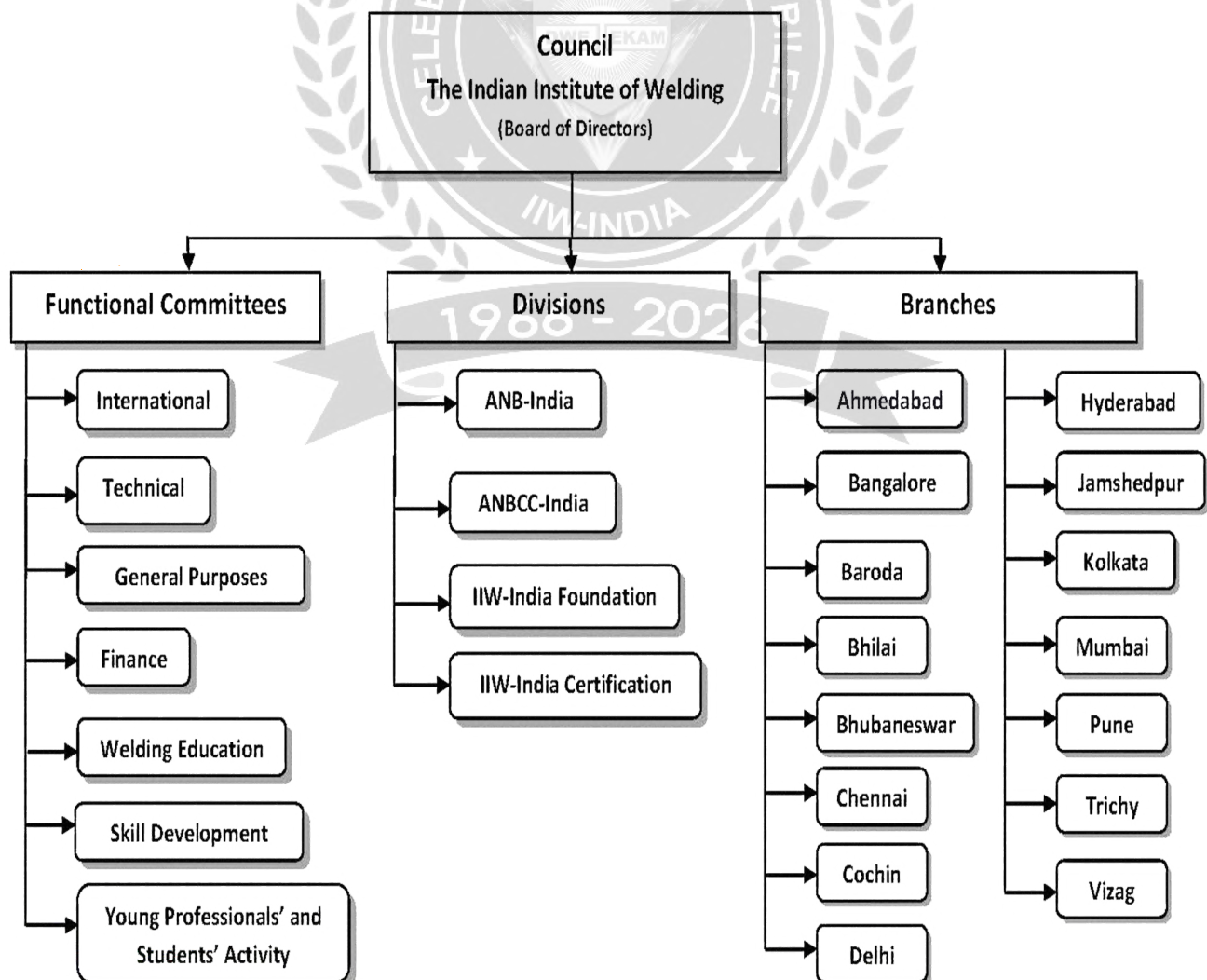
LEGAL STATUS

The Institute is a Not-for-Profit organisation, under Section 25 of Companies Act, 1956 (presently Section 8 of Companies Act, 2013), with its Registration no. 26807 of 1966 dated 22nd April 1966. It is also registered under Section 12A of the Income Tax Act, 1961 and entitled to tax exemptions.

GOVERNANCE

IIW-India is governed by its Board of Directors, called the 'Council', elected annually in the Annual General Meeting (AGM) by the members, which has overall authority for functioning of the Institute. The Council has representatives of all the Branches and all classes of members including Industrial Corporate Members.

The Institute has 7 Functional Committees under the Council and 4 independent Divisions to fulfil the motto and the activities and disburse the commitment to the welding fraternity. The Chairman of each of the Functional Committees and Divisions are selected annually by the members of the Council.



FORMATION OF IIW-INDIA BRANCHES



Since its inception, The Indian Institute of Welding gradually grew as the National Body of professional welding fraternity providing a common platform to user industry, equipment and consumables manufacturing industry, professional practitioners, students and research academics to present and solve problems, interact for advanced application of methods, processes and techniques in an organized manner. It had been our constant endeavour from the beginning to see that the organisation spreads throughout the country. Today, there are as many as fifteen branches of the Institute located at Ahmedabad, Bangalore, Baroda, Bhilai, Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Cochin, Delhi, Hyderabad, Jamshedpur, Kolkata, Mumbai, Pune, Tiruchirappalli and Visakhapatnam, with total membership strength of around 5500.

- IIW-India Tiruchirappalli (Trichy) was the first Branch to get the approval from the Council at its 57th meeting held on 18th of March 1971. Mr. V. Krishnamurthy, General Manager, BHEL was the Chairman and Mr. S. K. Mazumder was the Hony. Secretary. The formal inauguration of the branch was held on 12th of September 1971, and inaugurated by Mr. O. S. Murthy, Chairman of BHEL, Tiruchirappalli.
- IIW-India Chennai (Madras) was the second branch, formed on 17th of January 1973, under the Chairmanship of Mr. V. M. Rao, and Mr. S. Balasubramanyam was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Mumbai (Bombay) got the approval of the Council at its 68th meeting held on 27th of June 1972. However, the formal inauguration of the branch was held on 2nd of February 1973, as the third branch of the institute. Mr. V. Surya Rao, Director, Power Project Engineering Division, Dept. of Atomic Energy, Bombay, was the Chairman, and Mr. N. Moorthy, District Sales Manager, Indian Oxygen Ltd., Bombay, was the Hony. Secretary. Mumbai Branch was formally inaugurated by Mr. William Burt, the then President of the Institute.
- IIW-India Kolkata (Calcutta) was the fourth branch, formed on 12th of March 1973, under the Chairmanship of Mr. R. Ghosh, and Mr. P. K. Chaki was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Delhi was the fifth branch, formed on 19th of November 1976, under the Chairmanship of Mr. P. N. Arumugam, and Mr. R. K. Thariani was the Hony. Secretary. Delhi Branch was formally inaugurated by Mr. L. M. Pasricha, the then President of the Institute.
- IIW-India Bangalore (Bengaluru) was the sixth branch, formed on 6th of November 1978, under the Chairmanship of Mr. C. B. Carriappa, and Mr. S. Rajagopalan was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Cochin was the seventh branch, formed on 23rd of August 1979, under the Chairmanship of Cdr. M. S. Menon, and Mr. V. P. Nair was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Visakhapatnam (Vizag) was the eighth branch, formed on 21st of November 1979, under the Chairmanship of Mr. G. K. Balaya, and Dr. G. J. Guru Raja was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Jamshedpur was the ninth branch, formed on 17th of August 1983, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Rajendra Kumar, and Dr. J. Jain was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Bhilai was the tenth branch, formed on 14th of January 1992, under the Chairmanship of Mr. D. S. Chawla, and Mr. S. N. Singh was the Hony. Secretary.
- IIW-India Baroda (Vadodara) was the eleventh branch, formed on 29th of August 1998, under the Chairmanship of Prof. S. K. Agrawal, and Mr. D. V. Acharya was the Hony. Secretary. The branch was inaugurated by Mr. S. K. Burman, the then President of the Institute.
- IIW-India Pune was the twelfth branch, formed on 3rd of August 2013, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Vineet Marathe, and Mr. S. R. Dewan was the Hony. Secretary. The branch was inaugurated by Mr. P. K. Das, the then President, and Mr. Parimal Biswas, the then Hony. Secretary General of the institute.
- IIW-India Hyderabad was the thirteenth branch, formed on 29th of May 2014, under the Chairmanship of Dr. G. Padmanabhan, and Dr. P. Venkata Ramana was the Hony. Secretary. The branch was inaugurated by Mr. P. K. Das, the then President, and Mr. Parimal Biswas, the then Hony. Secretary General of the institute.
- IIW-India Bhubaneswar Centre, under the aegis of Kolkata Branch, was formed on 20th of March 2009, under the Chairmanship of Prof. Omkar Nath Mohanty, and Mr. B. B. Jha was the Hony. Secretary. The Centre was elevated as the fourteenth branch on 4th of November 2023, with Prof. Omkar Nath Mohanty as the Chairman, and Dr. Partha Sarathi De as the Hony. Secretary. The branch was inaugurated by Mr. D. V. Acharya, the then President of the institute.
- IIW-India Ahmedabad Centre, under the aegis of Baroda Branch, was formed on 23rd of November 2024, under the Chairmanship of Prof. Vishvesh Badheka, and Mr. Jignesh Patel was the Hony.



Secretary. Finally, during the Diamond Jubilee celebration of the Institute on 22nd April 2026, the Centre was elevated as the fifteenth branch under the Chairmanship of Prof. Vishvesh Badheka, and Mr. Jignesh Patel as the Hony. Secretary.

Sl. No.	Branch Name	Date of Formation	First Chairman	First Hony. Secretary
1	Tiruchirappalli Branch	12 September 1971	Mr. V. Krishnamurthy	Mr. S. K. Mazumder
2	Chennai Branch	17 January 1973	Mr. V. M. Rao	Mr. S. Balasubramanyam
3	Mumbai Branch	02 February 1973	Mr. V. Surya Rao	Mr. N. Moorthy
4	Kolkata Branch	12 March 1973	Mr. R. Ghosh	Mr. P. K. Chaki
5	Delhi Branch	19 November 1976	Mr. P. N. Arumugam	Mr. R. K. Thariani
6	Bangalore Branch	06 November 1978	Mr. C. B. Carriappa	Mr. S. Rjagopalan
7	Cochin Branch	23 August 1979	Cdr. M. S. Menon	Mr. V. P. Nair
8	Visakhapatnam Branch	21 November 1979	Mr. G. K. Balaya	Dr. G. J. Guru Raja
9	Jamshedpur Branch	17 August 1983	Dr. Rajendra Kumar	Dr. Ing. J. Jain
10	Bhilai Branch	14 January 1992	Mr. D. S. Chawla	Mr. S. N. Singh
11	Baroda Branch	29 August 1998	Prof. S. K. Agrawal	Mr. D. V. Acharya
12	Pune Branch	03 August 2013	Mr. Vineet Marathe	Mr. S. R. Dewan
13	Hyderabad Branch	29 May 2014	Dr. G. Padmanabhan	Dr. P. Venkata Ramana
14	Bhubaneswar Branch	04 November 2023	Prof. Omkar Nath Mohanty	Dr. Partha Sarathi De
15	Ahmedabad Branch	22 April 2026	Prof. Vishvesh Badheka	Mr. Jignesh Patel

FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEES OF IIW-INDIA

Initially the institute started its functioning with **General Purposes Committee** under the Chairmanship of Mr. Keith Hartley. The General Purposes Committee comprised of Membership Sub-Committee only. Subsequently, **Finance Committee**, **Technical Committee** (Welding Science Committee) and **International Committee** were formed. Further, under General Purposes Committee, three Sub Committees were in place, i.e., Meetings, Library & Publications Sub-Committee, Welding Education Sub-Committee and InfoTech Sub-committee. From 2002 onwards Welding Education Sub-Committee started functioning independently as a full-fledged Committee named **Welding Education Committee**. Presently all the Sub-Committees under General Purposes Committee are dissolved and amalgamated with the main committee.

Keeping in mind the boost in Skill Development activities and tie-up with Sector Skill Councils, a new Committee, named **Skill Development Committee**, was formed in 2015. Thereafter, to involve young professionals and students in welding activities, and to fulfil 'Catch them Young' slogan, a new committee was formed in 2021, named as **Young Professional and Student Activity Committee**.



DIFFERENT DIVISIONS OF IIW-INDIA

Considering the increase in activities of the Institute, it was decided to form new divisions for promoting educational, training and research activities of the institute as follows:

ANB-India : Formed in July 2007, IIW-India is the only Authorised Nominated Body (ANB) of the International Institute of Welding in India for award of International Diplomas to Welding Personnel at various levels, which are globally recognised and accepted. The formation and accreditation of ANB-India by the International Authorisation Board (IAB) of the International Institute of Welding was a significant milestone in the history of progress of the Institute as it allowed the Institute to conduct courses and examination to International Standards which are globally accepted.

ANBCC-India : Formed in August 2012, IIW-India has received full-fledged accreditation from the International Institute of Welding as Authorised Nominated Body for Company Certification (ANBCC) for compliance to ISO 3834 under IIW's Manufacturers Certification Scheme. ISO: 3834 is required for the Management of Quality in Welding and product certification as per various standards. Presently NABCB Accreditation is under process for Company as well as Product Certification.

IIW-India Foundation : Formed in 2012, IIW-India Foundation (Foundation) was established for furthering the cause of Welding Science and Research. The Foundation is an inter-disciplinary body funded by the fabricators and construction industries, welding product manufacturers, steel and non-ferrous metal manufacturers and Government Bodies. The main objectives of IIW-India Foundation are:

- ◆ To encourage research in the field of welding, cutting and joining aligned to the requirements of the industry after assessing the anticipated needs.
- ◆ To identify academic and research institutes which can provide such environment.
- ◆ To support different sectors through National Welding Capability mission.

IIW-India Certification : IIW-India Certification (IIWIC) Division was formed in 2022 to support the industries through certifying the welding professionals in different levels. Thereafter, the IIWIC got the accreditation from NABCB for its various schemes.

INDIAN WELDING JOURNAL (IWJ)

The Institute started publishing IWJ from 31st of August 1968 to provide a platform for the Indian welding technologists to publish papers on research and welding fabrication. Mr. S. V. Sambamurti was the first editor, and he was the main driving force behind publication and growth of the journal till 1984. During his tenure, the journal was initially published for 3-issues per year for the first two years. It was further expanded to include articles on Education, safety and industry problems, and subsequently started to be published quarterly. The journal was also a means to communicate the news of the institutes' activities to its members and soon became a well-accepted technical publication. An 'AWS Section' is regularly being published in the IWJ, for which the content is being provided by American Welding Society.

Indian Welding Journal got the International Documentation recognition in 2001; Index Number is ISSN 0046-9092 and R.N.I. No. 32664/68. Articles published in it are indexed by EBSCO-USA, Informatics Journals, i-Scholars, j-Gate and Indian Citation Index.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

For providing technical knowledge to members, IIW-India, in consultation with American Welding Society had published 6 Nos. of Technical Monographs in 2009, which are:

1. TM-1: Welding of Stainless Steel
2. TM-2: Welding and Joining of Nickel Alloys
3. TM-3: Welding of Carbon and Low Alloy Steels
4. TM-4: Welding of Aluminium and its Alloys
5. TM-5: Welding of Copper and its Alloys
6. TM-6: Basics of Welding Technology
7. TM-7: Welding Safety

IIW-INDIA WEBSITE AND PRESENCE IN SOCIAL MEDIA

A Website for our Institute was launched in February 2010, thanks mainly to the initiative of Mr. Subhendu Chaudhuri, Director, ANB-India, who put in a lot of efforts for development of the Website and its content. It is maintained as <https://iiwindia.com> for dissemination of all information about the Institute, its activities, announcements, educational training, certification, R&D initiatives etc.

IIW-India is also active in various Social Media Platforms to spread its activities. The links for different Social Media are provided here:

-  <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069037274929>
-  <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069682330868>
-  <https://www.instagram.com/iiwindia/>
-  www.linkedin.com/in/iiw-india-4bb09a334
-  <https://www.youtube.com/@IIW-India>

INTERNATIONAL ENDEAVORS

International Institute of Welding (IIW):

The Indian Institute of Welding is the only Responsible Member Society of the International Institute of Welding since 1970. IIW-India is having representation in the Board of Directors. Renowned Scientist Late Dr. Baldev Raj from IIW-India was the President of IIW during 2011-2014.



IIW-India Delegation attends IIW-Annual Assembly every year in different countries. Technical Papers are being presented every year in different Commissions and concurrently held International Conferences by the Indian delegates, including Non-resident Indians, Young Professionals from India are also attends the Annual Assembly regularly to present their paper

Asian Welding Federation (AWF):

The Institute is the member of Asian Welding Federation since its inception in 2004, with representation in the Governing Council.



COLLABORATIONS OF IIW-INDIA



Member of Indian Iron & Steel Sector Skill Council (IISSSC), with representation in Board of Directors.

Having Technical Collaboration with American Welding Society (AWS).



Proud partner of India skills and Arc Cup International Welding Competition (ARC IWC), related to welding skills competition.

Knowledge Partner of several Engineering Colleges and Universities to support them for the welding related activities and curriculum.

Having mutual collaboration with different Industries for the support towards welding related activities and for various awards.

Having collaboration with different Associations and Professional Bodies in various fields of welding.



Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association



Adopted 2 Industrial Training Institutes (ITI) as per the directives of Directorate of Industrial Training, Government of West Bengal. They are B. P. C. Government Industrial Training Institute, Krishnanagar and Fulia Industrial Training Institute, Fulia. Both are situated in the Nadia District of West Bengal.

Having membership of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).



Confederation of Indian Industry

SERVICES TO THE WELDING FRATERNITY

SKILL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

The Institute is engaged in various skill development activities to support the individuals and industries. Some of the activities are:

- Upskilling programme for the existing Welders of different Industries including Indian Railways. In general, the programme is of 6-days, which may be reduced or extended as per the requirements.
- Tailor-made Awareness programme for the Welding Engineers, Welding Inspectors and Welding Supervisors.
- Assessment of Welders and other Welding Professionals under various programmes.
- Assessment of Welders under various Government schemes.
- Skill Gap Analysis.
- Organising National Skill Competitions, which are free to participate



**Upskilling programme
for the Welders**



Awareness programme for the Welding Engineers and Supervisors



**Model from Welded Marvels -
'Project Trash to Treasure' Competition**

WELDING EDUCATION

- **AM-IIW Examination:** AM-IIW Examination system, which was equivalent to engineering degree as per the Gazette notification of the Government of India, is now re-introduced in a new format by the Institute. This includes theory paper, project work, practical and viva voce. Successful candidates passing the AM-IIW Examination will now be eligible to become Associate Member of The Indian Institute of Welding and will be certified as 'National Welding Engineer'.
- **Short-Term Certification Modules:** Module wise Short-term Engineering courses are offered, and the candidates have the liberty to choose the required module.
- **Advance Course on Welding Technology:** Initiated mainly to support International Diploma Course students.

INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMAS

IIW-India is the only Authorised Nominated Body of the International Institute of Welding in India (ANB-India) for awarding the International Diplomas to welding personnel at various levels, which are globally recognised and accepted. The courses with competency as per ISO 14731, are administered by the International Authorization Board (IAB), a wing of the International Institute of Welding, developed through international collaborations and implemented worldwide to create benchmark standard welding personnel and thereby facilitate industry to deliver high quality products and services. The two categories of qualification presently offered in India are :



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ANB-INDIA

- **International welding Coordination Personnel (IWCP):**
 - i) **International Welding Engineer (IWE) :** Through Standard, Alternate and Transition routes
 - ii) **International Welding Technologist (IWT) :** Through Standard, Alternate and Transition routes
 - iii) **International Welding Specialist (IWS) :** Through Transition route
 - iv) **International Welding Practitioner (IWP) :** Through Transition route
- **International Welder (IW) :** Best on knowledge and practical competency in various welding processes, materials and joint, which are **IFW** (fillet), **IPW** (plate) and **ITW** (tube/pipe).

PERSONNEL CERTIFICATION SCHEMES

Through its Certification Division, IIW-India conducts the following Personnel Certification Schemes through its Authorised Testing Centres (ATC) or directly by the division, where there is no conflict of interest:

- **National Welding Training and Certification Scheme (NWTCS) in 3 levels as per IIW-India's own Scheme:**
 - i) Foundation Schemes (3 schemes in MMAW, GMAW and GTAW)
 - ii) Industry Oriented Standard Schemes (3 schemes in Structural and Pressure Vessels)
 - iii) Expert in Welding (1 scheme)

- **National Welding Inspectors' Certification Scheme (NWICS) in 3 levels in accordance with IS 18224:**
 - i) Certified Welding Inspector – Basic (CWI-B)
 - ii) Certified Welding Inspector – Standard (CWI-S)
 - iii) Certified Welding Inspector – Advanced (CWI-A)



- **Training of Trainers (TOT) for Certified Welding Trainers' Scheme (CWT)**
- **Welder Certification (WC) in accordance with different national and international codes and standards**



All the above Certifications are Accredited by National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB) under Certification no. PR013.

The Institute also offers the following through its Certification Division:

- **Robotic Arc Welding Operators' (RAWO) Course**
- **Witness and Approval of Welding Procedures (WPS/ PQR)**
- **Welding Coordinators' Course in accordance with ISO 14731**

COMPANY CERTIFICATION

IIW-India is the only Authorised Nominated Body for Company Certification of the International Institute of Welding in India (ANBCC-India) for certification of organisations in accordance with ISO 3834. ISO 3834 standard (Quality Requirements for Fusion Welding of Metallic Materials) is a welding management control system for manufacturing plants and construction sites where welding is the core activity. It supplements the ISO 9001 quality management system with more technical rigor by developing a weld process control system into welding management that ensures high quality products complying with several product standards.

ANBCC-India is also authorised for auditing organisations in accordance with EN 15085 & EN 1090 in collaboration with IIS Cert, Italy.



Certificate No: 22/2
ANBCC-IND

ACTIVITIES FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

The Institute is committed to support the Young Professionals towards their journey through the Welding Science and Technology. They Young Professionals are encouraged to present their research works in the specific forum of National and International Seminars; even the Institute organises separate programme for them, titled 'Young Professionals' International Conference' (YPIC), which is as per the guidelines specified by the International Institute of Welding. Other supports include skill competitions and researcher's scholarships for them.

STUDENTS' CHAPTER

To catch them young, IIW-India has taken a noble step to form Students' Chapters in different Engineering Colleges and Universities. Presently there are around 25 Students' Chapters in different cities of India, nurturing their passion towards Welding Science and Technology. Only 10 students and a faculty member can start a Students' Chapter under the aegis of nearest IIW-India Branch.

Benefit for the Students

To encourage the Student Members, IIW-India has taken several initiatives, which are in short:

- ★ Seminars and Workshops at different institutions,
- ★ Organising Quiz Contests for the Students,
- ★ Organising Industry visits for the Student Members,
- ★ Supporting Students' Chapters for organising Seminars by the Students,
- ★ Offering free membership of American Welding Society (AWS),
- ★ Organising National level competition for the Best Students' Chapter.



RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN WELDING

In association with Pandit Deendayal Energy University (PDEU), Gandhinagar, Gujarat, IIW-India has established IIW-India – PDEU Welding Research and Development Centre (IPWRDC), with the purpose:

- To carry out research in the field of welding technology / materials,
- Provide facility for research work for students of B.Tech / M.Tech / PhD level,
- Support the industry in solving welding-related problems,
- Better industry and academia interactions,
- Develop new welding processes and consumables for new grades of materials



AVAILABLE RESEARCH AREAS

Additive manufacturing using welding processes, welding of additively manufactured components. Advanced Welding Processes include – Friction Welding of dissimilar metal pipe, Friction Stir Welding of similar and dissimilar metals, Friction stir processing for super plasticity and surface composites, Friction surfacing, Narrow Gap Welding- using solid, flux cored and metal cored wire; Hybrid Welding; Activated Flux GTAW/GMAW; Resistance Welding (Spot). Ultrasonic welding. Welding of hybrid joints (metal-plastics).

WELDING LAB

IIW-India also has a Welding Lab at its Head Office at Kolkata, where modern welding equipment are available for research work and to support industries to resolve their issues.

NATIONAL SKILL COMPETITIONS BY IIW-INDIA

The Indian Institute of Welding organises National Competition in different categories for welding professionals and amateurs.

The competitions are:

- ▶ **National Best Welder Competition for Women**
(Sponsored by M/s voestalpine Bohler Welding India Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai)

Different categories of this competition are:

- i) Best Structural Welder (SMAW)
- ii) Best Structural Welder (GMAW)

- ▶ **National Skill Competition for Best of the Best Welders**

(Sponsored by M/s Voestalpine Bohler Welding India Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai)

Different categories of this competition are (not gender specific):

- i) Best Structural Welder (SMAW)
- ii) Best Structural Welder (GMAW)
- iii) Best Pipe Welder (GTAW + SMAW)
- iv) Best Pipe Welder (GMAW)
- v) Best Pipe Welder (GTAW)



- **National Best Welding Engineers' Competition**
(Sponsored by M/s voestalpine Bohler Welding India Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai)
- **Aspirant Welding Engineers' Competition**
(Sponsored by M/s voestalpine Bohler Welding India Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai)
- **Young Engineers' Competition**
(Sponsored by M/s D&H Secheron Electrodes Pvt. Ltd., Indore)
- **Parimal Biswas Memorial Award for Best Students' Chapter**
(Sponsored by M/s Indaids International, Kochi)
- **National Competition on Welded Marvels – 'Project Trash to Treasure'**
(In Association with Association of Welding Products Manufacturers, and Sponsored by M/s Ador Welding Limited, Mumbai)

The Institute also nominates the Winner and Runner-up of different abovementioned events to take part in the international competitions.

INTERNATIONAL WELDING COMPETITIONS

Since 2016, Indian Team, led by IIW-India, is participating in Arc Cup International Welding Competition at China. The nominated competitors are taking part in this prestigious skill and technology competition every year and getting awards for the country in individual level as well as for Team India, competing with highly skilled competitors from different countries. The Arc Cup is denoted as the World Cup in Welding.

Indian Team, led by IIW-India, is also taking part in the International Welding Competition in Essen, Germany from 2025.



An all-women Indian Team, led by IIW-India, has also taken part in the International Welding Competition in Essen, Germany, in 2025.



EVENTS OF IIW-INDIA

NATIONAL WELDING MEET

IIW-India organises National Welding Meet (NWM) every year, normally in July or August. It's a two-day seminar, providing opportunities to the welding fraternity to present their papers. During the inaugural session, one memorial lecture is delivered by a young professional in the name of John Abraham Muliylil or S. V. Sambamurti alternately. Both the personalities were the well-known technologists and played a pioneering role in formation of the institute.



NATIONAL WELDING SEMINAR

Every year, The Indian Institute of Welding organises National Welding Seminar (NWS), a three-day event, hosted by any of its 15 Branches situated all over India, with an emerging topic. IIW-India Council allots the event to a Branch, those who can host the event most successfully. It is the single most important annual event of the Indian Institute of Welding and is held preferably in December or in January. Technologists and Researchers are always eager to attend the welding seminar to enhance their knowledge in recent trends and advances in welding and also to present their papers. During the inaugural session, a memorial lecture is delivered by an eminent welding personality in the name of Sir L. P. Misra or Keith Hartley alternately. Both the personalities were the well-known technologists and played a pioneering role in formation of the institute. Another memorial lecture is delivered by a welding technologists within the age of 45 years in the name of Prof. Placid Rodriguez, Past President of the institute and Ex-Director, IGCAR. Apart from the memorial lectures, different awards of IIW-India are presented during the seminar and varieties of programmes are covered in it through Plenary Session, Panel Discussion, Keynote address etc.



INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS

Being the Responsible Member Society of the International Institute of Welding (IIW), The Indian Institute of Welding getting the chance to organise International Congress (IC) following the protocols and guidelines issued by the International Institute of Welding. In general, IIW-India Organises International Congress once in every 3 years, in place of NWS; the first one was held in 2005 at Mumbai. Delegation from IIW is attending the congress to make it a grand success. The 7th International Congress is scheduled to be held in Baroda, during February 2027.



OTHER INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Annual Assembly of the International Institute of Welding was conducted in 2011 at Chennai, which was one of the most successful events in the history of IIW-India as well as of IIW, where more than 800 delegates attended from India and abroad. IIW-India also conducted Welding Research and Collaboration Colloquium in 2016 at Hyderabad with a grand success



EXHIBITIONS

In order to provide the welding fraternity an opportunity to witness the latest developments in welding and related fields, The Indian Institute of Welding organises Weld India Exhibition at different locations in the country at regular intervals, hosted by the local Branch. This exhibition is generally conducted concurrently with National Welding Seminar or International Congress. Recently, IIW-India tied hand with Indian Machine Tools Manufacturers Association (IMTMA) for organising the WELDEXPO, concurrently with IMTEX Forming Exhibition.



BRANCH EVENTS

The Branches of IIW-India are also conducting their Annual Seminar, Several Webinars and Workshops to provide services to the welding fraternity, where not only the local members, but also a wide range personalities like scientists, technologists, researchers and students are being benefitted. Even the global audience is attracted through the webinars. Another activity is industry specific workshops, which are really a support to several organisations. Most of the Branches of IIW-India are engaged in different yearlong activities for the benefit of the members and welding fraternity as a whole. In turn, the branches are getting the responsibility to organise national and international events of the institute.

RECOGNITION AND AWARDS BY IIW-INDIA

Over the years, the institute has introduced a number of awards for recognizing excellence in various aspects of welding technology, such as Research, Fabrication, Repair & Reclamation, Non-ferrous Welding, Automation, Health & safety etc. These awards have been instituted to honour various eminent individuals or organizations who have made outstanding contributions to the cause of welding in India or those who have sponsored the award. These awards are presented each year during the inaugural session of the Institute's National Welding Seminar (NWS), International Congress (IC) or during the National Welding Meet (NWM). The Awards are:

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

- IIW-India Excellence Award for Services to the Institute
- IIW-India Excellence Award for International Relations
- IIW-India Lifetime Achievement Award
- Sir L. P. Misra / Keith Hartley (alternate year) Memorial Lecture
- Prof. Placid Rodriguez Memorial Lecture
- Minati Bhattacharjee Memorial Award for the Best Performing Branch



AWARD FOR THE BEST PAPERS PRESENTED DURING THE PREVIOUS NWS OR IC

- ◆ Esab India Award for the best technical paper among all the categories
- ◆ I. T. Mirchandani Memorial Award for the best research paper
- ◆ H. D. Govindraj Memorial Award for the second-best research paper
- ◆ Bimal Kumar Das Memorial Award for the best paper on skill development or training in welding
- ◆ Panthaki Memorial Award for the best paper on welding of non-ferrous metals
- ◆ Sharp Tools Award for the best paper on welding fabrication and practices
- ◆ Ewac Alloys Award for the best paper on reclamation and repair welding
- ◆ Weldman Award for the best paper presented on automation & process development or productivity improvement or indigenous development of power sources
- ◆ Venus Wires Award for the best paper on stainless steel R&D, fabrication techniques or consumable development
- ◆ Inox India Award for the best paper on health & safety in welding
- ◆ D&H Secheron Award for the best presented paper during the NWS / IC



AWARD FOR THE BEST THESIS

- Weldwell Speciality Award for the best PhD Thesis
- Weldwell Speciality Award for the best M.Tech Thesis

AWARD FOR THE MEMORIAL LECTURE AND BEST PRESENTED PAPER DURING THE NWM

- John Abraham Muliyl / S. V. Sambamurti (alternate year) Memorial Lecture
- AWPM Award for the best presented paper during the NWM

RECENT ACHIEVEMENT

- The Indian Institute of Welding has received the 'Weldfab Tech Award' for Outstanding Contribution to the Welding & Fabrication Industry in 2024.



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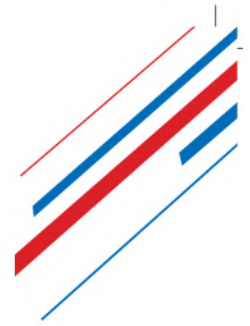
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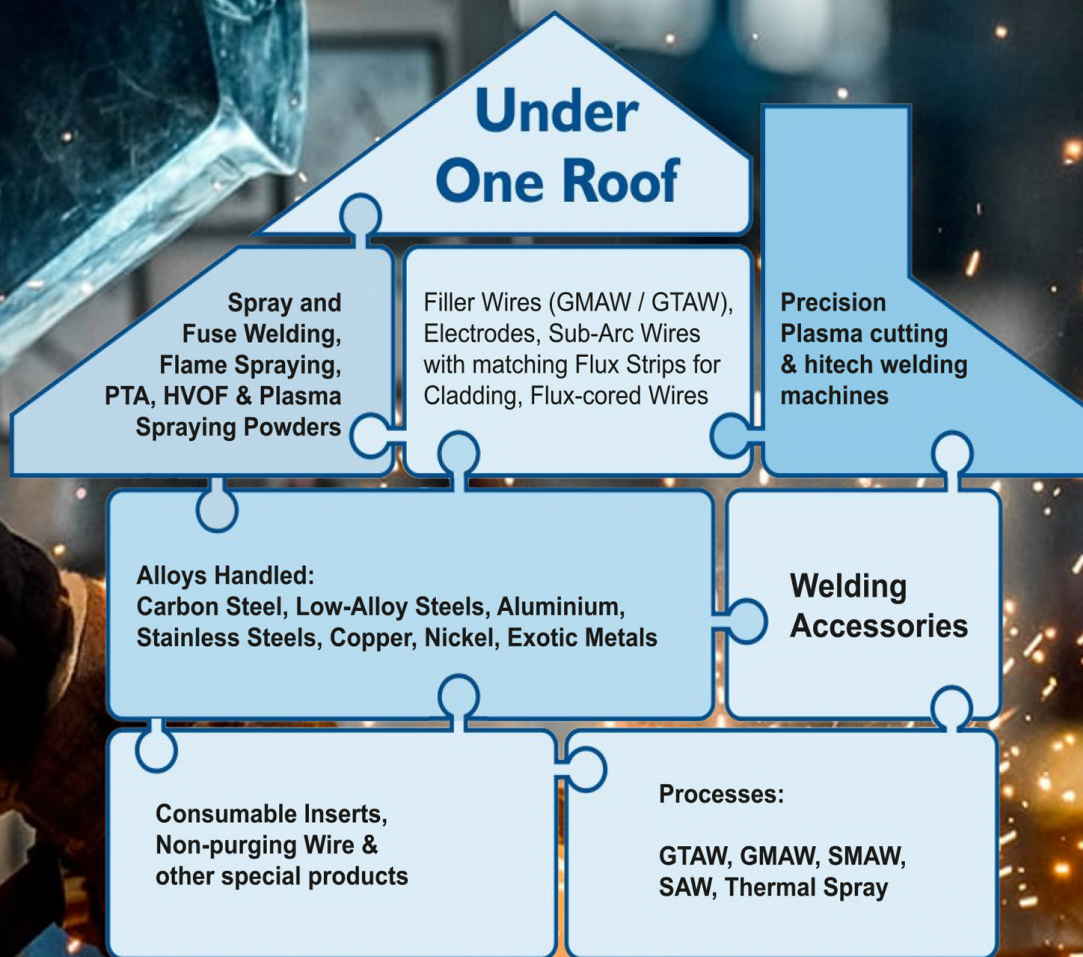
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Year	Name
2002	M. N. Dastur
2005	S. V. Sambamurti & P. S. Visvanath
2007	V. G. Jagannath, K. M. Panthaki & Baldev Raj
2009	N. K. Sarkar
2011	R. S. Parmar
2013	S. Sundaresan
2015	D. S. Honavar
2017	M. N. Ghoshal
2019	R. Ravi
2021	P. K. Das
2023	Ranajoy Banerjee
2025	V. Muralidharan

Year	Name
2003	R. J. Shahaney
2006	Placid Rodriguez & A. K. Basu
2008	A. K. Mukherjee & M. P. Dhanuka
2010	S. K. Agrawal
2012	G. L. Datta
2014	C. C. Girotra
2016	R. R. Bhattacharjee
2018	B. K. Mishra
2020	Sumant R. Shah
2022	Hasan Shaikh
2024	R. Srinivasan



RECIPIENTS OF SIR L. P. MISRA / KEITH HARTLEY MEMORIAL LECTURE AWARD

Year	Sir L. P. Misra Memorial Lecture	Year	Keith Hartley Memorial Lecture
1974	M. N. Dastur	-	-
1975	R. Ghosh	-	-
1977	S. V. Nadkarni	-	-
1979	D. S. Honavar	1980	V. R. Subramanian
1981	P. S. Viswanath	1982	S. V. Sambamurty
1983	H. L. Prabhakar	1984	S. L. Theobald
1985	P. N. Arumugam	1986	Placid Rodriguez
1987	N. K. Sarkar	1988	A. Srinivasalu
1989	J. R. Prasher	1990	A. C. Lahiri
1991	J. K. Nanda	1992	Baldev Raj
1993	S. Prasannakumar	1994	M. P. Dhanuka
1995	S. K. Burman	1996	R. S. Parmar
1997	D. R. G. Achar	-	-
1999	G. L. Datta	1999	V. K. Gopinath
2001	U. D. Mallya	2001	R. S. Babu
2002	O. N. Mohanty	2002	K. Prasad Rao
2003	S. Sundaresan	-	-
2004	Ranajoy Banerjee	2005	J. Krishnan
2006	G. Hariharan	2007	S. K. Agrawal
2008	Y. S. Trivedi	2009	B. K. Mishra
2010	A. K. Bhaduri	2011	T. K. Pal
2012	T. Jayakumar	2013	C. C. Girotra
2014	Shaju K. Albert	2015	G. Madhusudhan Reddy
2016	Hasan Shaikh	2017	Mahadev Shome
2018	Dileep Vasudeo Kulkarni	2019	Abby K. Joseph
2020	G. Padmanabham	2021	V. Balasubramanian
2022	Aniruddha A. Deshpande	2023	Santanu Das
2024	Renu N. Gupta	2025	T. J. Prasada Rao

RECIPIENTS OF DR. PLACID RODRIGUEZ MEMORIAL LECTURE

Year	Name	Year	Name
2008	Pallab Chattopadhyay	2009	M. Vasudevan
2010	V. Balasubramanian	2011	G. D. Janaki Ram
2012	Renu N. Gupta	2013	M. V. Venkatesan
2014	Chittaranjan Das	2015	Krishnan Sivaraman
2016	P. Venkata Ramana	2017	T. V. Prabhu
2018	S. Malarvizhi	2019	Murugaiyan Amrithalingam
2020	Harish Chandra Dey	2021	P. Mastanaiah
2022	Hemant Kumar	2023	Vishvesh J. Badheka
2024	R. G. Rangasamy	2025	Manidipto Mukherjee

JAEGER LECTURE AWARD (IIW)

Year	Name
2005	Baldev Raj
2008	M. V. Kotwal
2014	Prabhat Kumar
2017	A. K. Bhaduri
2020	C. C. Girotra
2024	Anil Parab



RECIPIENTS OF MINATI BHATTACHARJEE MEMORIAL AWARD

For Excellence	
Year	Name
1999-2000	S. K. Agrawal
2000-2001	V. Varahalu
2001-2002	S. R. Gollapudi
2002-2003	V. Varahalu
2003-2004	V. Varahalu
2004-2005	M. D. Agarwal
2006-2007	R. Srinivasan
2007-2008	N. K. Sarkar

For Best Performing Branch	
Year	Branch
2008-2009	IIW-India Kolkata Branch
2009-2010	IIW-India Kolkata Branch
2010-2011	IIW-India Kolkata Branch
2011-2012	IIW-India Mumbai Branch
2012-2013	IIW-India Baroda Branch
2013-2014	IIW-India Baroda Branch
2014-2015	IIW-India Baroda Branch
2015-2016	IIW-India Chennai Branch
2016-2017	IIW-India Delhi Branch
2017-2018	IIW-India Baroda Branch
2018-2019	IIW-India Baroda Branch
2019-2020	IIW-India Cochin Branch
2020-2021	IIW-India Kolkata Branch
2021-2022	IIW-India Pune Branch
2022-2023	IIW-India Baroda Branch
2023-2024	IIW-India Chennai Branch & IIW-India Mumbai Branch
2024-2025	IIW-India Mumbai Branch

IIW- INDIA EXCELLENCE AWARD

For Services to the Institute	
Year	Name
2011	V. Krishnamurthy
2014	S. Ramadorai
2016	Manohar G. P. Parrikar
2017	R. Chidambaram
2020	R. S. Parmar
2020	S. V. Sambamurti
2024	Subhendu Chaudhuri
2024	R. Srinivasan

For International Relations	
Year	Name
2016	Chris Smallbone, Australia
2016	Ray Shook, USA
2017	Cecile Mayer, France
2020	Americo Scotti , Brazil
2024	Luca Costa, Italy

GOLDEN JUBILEE WELDING RATNA AWARD: 2016

Name
D. S. Honavar
S. V. Sambamurti
R. R. Bhattacharjee
S. Sundaresan
K. M. Panthaki
G. L. Datta
A. K. Mukherjee
R. S. Parmar
N. K. Sarkar
C. C. Girotra
Pabitra Kumar Das
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Parimal Biswas
A. K. Bhaduri
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EVENTS ORGANISED BY THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF WELDING

Seminars Organised Directly by the Council		
Year	Place	Date
1967	Calcutta	28 -29 April 1967
1968	Bombay	20 August 1968
1969	Madras	08 March 1969
1969	Kanpur	13 November 1969
1970	Bombay	31 January 1970
1971	Jamshedpur	18 February 1971
1971	Calcutta	05 November 1971
1972	Delhi (Colloquium)	22 March 1972

NATIONAL WELDING SEMINAR

Year	Place / Host Branch	Date
1973	Calcutta	19 July 1973
1975	Tiruchirappalli	31 Jan & 01 Feb 1975
1976	Bombay	30 -31 January 1976
1977	Delhi	25 -26 February 1977
1980	Calcutta	24 -25 January 1980
1981	Madras	26 -28 February 1981
1981	Bombay	19 -21 November 1981
1982	Cochin	9 -11 December 1982
1983	Delhi	10 -12 November 1983
1984	Tiruchirappalli	12 -14 December 1984
1985	Calcutta	5 -7 December 1985
1986	Madras	16 -18 October 1986
1987	Bangalore	26 -28 November 1987
1988	Cochin	24 -26 November 1988
1989	Delhi	27 -29 December 1989
1990	Bombay	22 -24 November 1990
1991	Madras	24 -26 October 1991
1992	Calcutta	19 -21 November 1992
1993	Bhilai	16 -18 December 1993
1994	Jamshedpur	24 -26 November 1994
1995	Cochin	23 -25 November 1995



NATIONAL WELDING SEMINAR

Year	Place / Host Branch	Date
1997	Bangalore	11 -13 December 1997
2001	Chennai	7-9 January 2002
2002	Kolkata	23 -25 January 2003
2003	Baroda	4-6 December 2003
2005	Bhilai	15 -17 December 2005
2006	Chennai	24 -26 November 2006
2008	Mumbai	4-6 February 2009
2009	Kolkata	10 -12 December 2009
2010	Visakhapatnam	21 -23 December 2010
2011	Bhilai	15 -17 December 2011
2012	Bangalore	7-9 February 2013
2014	Jamshedpur	22 -24 January 2015
2015	Mumbai	9 -11 December 2015
2016	Kolkata	15 -17 December 2016
2018	Cochin	13 -15 December 2018
2020 - 21	Baroda	8 -10 April 2021
2021 - 22	Pune	5 -7 May 2022
2022	Chennai	19 -21 January 2023
2024	Jamshedpur	12 -14 December 2024
2025	Cochin	18 -20 December 2025

NATIONAL WELDING MEET

Year	Place / Host Branch	Date
1976	Bhopal / HQ	25 July 1976
1979	Calcutta	21 September 1979
1980	Cochin	28 September 1980
1982	Pune / Bombay	20 August 1982
1983	Jamshedpur	17 August 1983
1984	Bhopal / Delhi	29 August 1984
1985	Hyderabad / HQ	27 September 1985
1986	Visakhapatnam	05 July 1986
1994	Bangalore	16 July 1994
1995	Visakhapatnam	03 September 1995
1997	Calcutta	26 July 1997
1998	Mumbai	21 February 1998
1999	Visakhapatnam	25 September 1999
2000	Baroda	02 September 2000
2001	Cochin	06 September 2001
2005	Visakhapatnam	23 July 2005
2006	Baroda	02 September 2006
2008	Visakhapatnam	23 August 2008
2009	Bhilai	29 August 2009
2010	Puducherry / Chennai	06 August 2010
2012	Visakhapatnam	09 June 2012
2013	Baroda	31 August 2013
2014	Chennai	5-6 September 2014
2015	Cochin	09 October 2015
2016	Pune	27 August 2016
2017	Bengaluru	12-14 May 2017
2018	Baroda	04 August 2018
2019	Delhi	2-3 August 2019
2020	Jamshedpur	8-9 October 2020
2021	Tiruchirappalli	8-9 October 2021
2022	Cochin	14-15 October 2022
2023	Bhubaneswar	1-2 September 2023
2024	Kolkata	26-27 September 2024
2025	Anupuram / Chennai	7-8 August 2025



INTERNATIONAL EVENTS ORGANISED / HOSTED BY IIW-INDIA


Year	Place / Host Branch	Event Description	Date
1978	Delhi	Afro-Asian Conference on Welding and Metals	8-10 February 1978
1987	Delhi / Tiruchirappalli	International Welding Conference (IWC-1987)	12-14 January 1987
1996	Mumbai	International Welding Conference (IWC-1996)	5-7 December 1996
1999	Delhi	International Welding Conference (IWC-1999)	15-17 February 1999
2001	Delhi	International Welding Conference (IWC-2001)	15-17 February 2001
2005	Mumbai	1st International Congress (IC-2005)	16-19 February 2005
2008	Chennai	2nd International Congress (IC-2008)	8-10 January 2008
2011	Chennai	64th IIW Annual Assembly and International Conference	17-23 July 2011
2014	Delhi	3rd International Congress (IC-2014)	9-11 April 2014
2016	Hyderabad	6th IIW Welding Research and Collaboration Colloquium	7-9 April 2016
2017	Chennai	4th International Congress (IC-2017)	7-9 December 2017
2020	Mumbai	5th International Congress (IC-2020)	6-8 February 2020
2024	Bengaluru	6th International Congress (IC-2024)	22-24 January 2024
2025	Delhi	Young Professionals' International Conference (YPIC India-2025)	5-6 September 2025

PROPOSED FUTURE INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

Year	Place / Host Branch	Event Description	Date
2026	Chennai	IIW Welding Research and Collaboration Colloquium	28-30 October 2026
2027	Baroda	7th International Congress (IC-2027)	10-12 February 2027

WELDING EXHIBITION BY IIW-INDIA

Sl. No.	Place / Host Branch	Event Description	Date	Concurrently With
1	Bhilai	Welding Exhibition - WELDEX-1993	16-18 December 1993	NWS-1993
2	Jamshedpur	Welding & Cutting Show	24-26 November 1994	NWS-1994
3	Mumbai	International Welding Exhibition	5-7 December 1996	IWC-1996
4	Bangalore	Welding Exhibition	11-13 December 1997	NWS-1997
5	Kolkata	Exhibition on Welding Accessories	23-25 January 2003	NWS-2002
6	Baroda	Exhibition on Welding Equipment and Consumables	4-6 December 2003	NWS-2003
7	Mumbai	1st Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	17-20 February 2005	IC-2005
8	Bhilai	Welding Exhibition - WELDEX-2005	15-17 December 2005	NWS-2005
9	Chennai	2nd Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	24-26 November 2006	NWS-2006
10	Chennai	3rd Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	8-10 January 2008	IC-2008
11	Mumbai	4th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	5-7 February 2009	NWS-2008
12	Kolkata	5th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	11-13 December 2009	NWS-2009
13	Visakhapatnam	Industrial Expo	22-24 December 2010	NWS-2010
14	Chennai	6th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	21-23 July 2011	IIW Annual Assembly 2011
15	Bangalore	7th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	7-9 February 2013	NWS-2012
16	Delhi	8th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	9-11 April 2014	IC-2014
17	Jamshedpur	9th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	22-24 January 2015	NWS-2014
18	Mumbai	10th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	10-12 December 2015	NWS-2015
19	Kolkata	11th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	15-17 December 2016	NWS-2016
20	Chennai	12th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	7-9 December 2017	IC-2017
21	Mumbai	13th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	7-9 February 2020	IC-2020
22	Pune	14th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	5-7 May 2022	NWS 2021-22
23	Chennai	15th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	19-21 January 2023	NWS-2022
24	Jamshedpur	16th Weld India International Welding Technology Exhibition	12-14 December 2024	NWS-2024



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