

## ASSOCIATION NEWS

1. 88th Annual General Meeting was held on 26 June, 2009 with Prof. (Dr.) M. Bhattacharyya on the chair.
2. 8 E C meetings were held in the year 2008-2009.
3. Rainwater Harvesting Structure at Charpataihat School at Dainhat near Katwa in the district of Burdwan was inaugurated by the President, AEI.



4. One RWH project at Jyotishpur High school at Sunderban is running.



5. RWH Awareness programme in Joygopalpur Gram Vikash Kendra, Basanti, S. 24 Parganas.



6. Tubewell with indigenous filter underneath, used to pump water from a near by pond to yield potable water (under investigation).

7. First Jayanta Memorial Lecture was held on 28th February, 2009 at IA-11, Salt Lake, Kolkata-97. Dr. N. R. Banerjee, V. C., BESU spoke on the life of late Jayanta Chowdhury. His two daughters were present on the occasion. Memorial lecture was given by Mr. A. K. Kulkarni, Head of the Department, Health Safety & Environment, Gammon India Ltd, on "Safety in excavation operation"; around 60 persons were present.
8. Rainwater Harvesting awareness programme was held in December, 08 at the world Federalists Organization at the premises of Tollygunge Development Council.
9. One day awareness programme on "Rain Water Harvesting" was organised on 25<sup>th</sup> October at Panihati Lokasanskriti Bhaban at 4 PM jointly by MANOB CHETONA & Duttcon Industrial Research & Development Laboratory (DIRDL). The Programme was inaugurated by Sri Gopal Krishna Bhattacharya, respected MLA, Panihati. The programme was attended by delegates from Local Industries, Schools, Colleges, Social Organizations, Councillors of Panihati Municipality and other social activists and the press personnel. Prof Madhusudan Bhattacharya (formerly of Jadavpur University) President, Association of Engineers, Sri S. Nag, Principal, AEI gave the Key note lectures. Sri S. B. Sengupta, General Manager of Electro Steel Casting Ltd gave a presentation on how we can save water. Sri Asit Kumar Ghosh, Scientist (Retd.) Central Ground Water Board, Govt. Of India gave a detailed report on how one can start Rain Water Harvesting & its economics. Prof. B. Chaudhuri of Jadavpur University hosted the entire programme. Prof (Dr.) Santanu Das, Head of Mechanical Engineering Deptt, Kalyani University conducted the open house where the Municipality Councillors, Social activists and the Students took part in the question-answer sessions. The Secretary of Manob Chetona described their activities and projects undertaken by Manob Chetona.



The Programme ended with a very interesting note. The municipality authority was requested to see whether a project can be started at Panihati Locality which will simultaneously solve water crisis problem as well as water logging problem. A very colourful programme: Fashion Drama on Water is Life was staged by the artists of DICPA. Shri S. K. Dutta, Director of DIRDL gave a vote of thanks at the end.

10. An invited talk on “NDT of Pressure Vessels” was given by Prof Dr. Madhusudan Bhattacharyya on February 14, 2009 in a workshop organized by Safety Engineering & Research centre in Association with the Department of Explosives , Govt of India.
11. An invited talk on, “Safety Philosophy : Fact We Often Miss” was delivered by Prof Dr. M. Bhattacharyya on Feb 26, 2009 at the Seminar on Industry-Academia Partnership on Health and Safety at Workplace, organised by Bengal Engineering and Science University.

NEW ENROLMENT			
SRL. NO.	NAME	GRADE	DATE OF ELECTION
1.	Er. Prithwish Saha	(LA)-106	22. 02. 08
2.	Er. Jatindra Nath Ghosh	(LF)-180	22. 02. 08
3.	Er. R. Jayakumar	(F)-181	22. 02. 08
4.	Er. Pradipta Kr. Nandy	(LM)-319	11. 07. 08
5.	Er. Abdul Khadeer Ahmed Sayeed	(M)-320	11. 07. 08
6.	Er. G. Selvaraj	(LAM)-107	11. 07. 08
7.	Er. Subir Ch. Set	(LF)-183	15. 09. 08
8.	Er. P. K. Mishra	(LF)-182	15. 09. 08
9.	Er. Adrijit Basu	(LA)-108	15. 09. 08
10.	Er. Samir Kr. Bhattacharya	(LF)-184	16. 12. 08
11.	Er. Sankar Kr. Roy	(LA)-109	16. 12. 08
12.	Er. Rojatkar Dinesh Vitthal Rai	(LM)-321	16. 12. 08