

Minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting of Coal Ash Institute of India (CAII) held at B. E. College Ex-Students' Club, CK-14, Salt Lake City, Sector – 2, Kolkata – 700091 on 29th November, 2022 (Saturday) from 11:00 a.m. onwards.

The following members participated in the meeting: -

- (1) Mr. Gautam Dasgupta
- (2) Mr. Dipta Sundar Mallick
- (3) Mr. Sandip Sinha
- (4) Mr. Samar Guha Ray
- (5) Mr. Debashish Bhattacharyya
- (6) Mr. Sudipto Basu Thakur
- (7) Mr. Kaushik Nag
- (8) Mr. Amar Jayaswal
- (9) Mr. Siddhartha Biswas
- (10) Mr. Mainak Ghosal
- (11) Mr. P.K. Basu
- (12) Ms. Madhuri Bhattacharya

The 25th Annual General Meeting of the Institute was chaired by - Mr. Gautam Dasgupta.

1. The Secretary read out the Secretary's Report. Both the Secretary's Report and audited accounts for the F.Y. 2021-22 were taken to be unanimously accepted by the members.

2. Mr. Suchandra Bhar will continue as the auditor with the same fees (Rs. 6000/- per annum) as before.

3. Regarding Website update, again a mail will be given to all members if any content is received from them and last date will be 30.11.2022. It was also decided that content from old website would be given to Mr. D. S. Mallick to see if some content could be made from it. Mr. Mainak Ghosal will provide some content.

It is also decided that after 30.11.2022 organisation will discuss with "Devant IT solutions Pvt Ltd" for content writing.

4. The members felt that in view of prevailing economic situation, it is unlikely that support from Corporate Sector will be available for organising a seminar unless the topic is of immediate interest to them.

Mr. D. S. Mallick suggested that the proposed seminar on “Bottom Ash utilisation” as a substitute to sand (which was scheduled in early 2020, but could not mature due to Covid), may be explored if this can be rejuvenated. Mr. Debashish Bhattacharyya and Mr. Surojit Basu were requested to investigate if the proposed sponsor (CESC) is still interested to support the seminar.

5. The Chairman drew attention of the members to the next important agenda about fund generation of the society. It was decided that if anyone brings any Projects / works in the banner of CAII in his own efforts then he can use the platform of CAII. But a percentage has to be paid to CAII, which will be finalised on case-to-case basis as per the decision of the Governing body members. This will benefit both the expert and CAII as well.

6. Mr. Dipta Sundor Mallick proposed that the marketing of the institute is has to be given priority. A committee will be assigned or formed who will communicate with different organisations and will explain the objectives of the institute.

7. It is also discussed that the domain of operating area of CAII will further encompass many other green areas in coming Future. Mr. S. B. Thakur, Mr. Siddhartha Biswas, Mr. Debashish Bhattacharyya, and Mr. Gautam Dasgupta were requested to work out a way forward in this regard.

8. Mr. Samar Guha Roy highlighted the importance of regular Governing Body meeting. It is decided in AGM that generally Governing Body meetings will be held on last Saturday of every month.

9. The members appreciated Mr. Shyamol Roy’s efforts to form and nurture CAII. It was unanimously decided that a cheque of Rs. 50,000/- will be given to his family.as a tribute to him.

10. Mr. D. S. Mallick, Mr. Sandip Sinha raised the point on membership. For the benefit of the institute and the survival, membership need to be increased. It was proposed by President and Mr. Sudipta Basu Thakur that along with life time membership, organisation also will allow annual membership. Such annual membership fee will be 500/ Per year.