

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS (ASCE) WESTERN INDIA INTERNATIONAL GROUP

Mumbai, India – ASCE-Western India International Group (WIIG) organized a path-breaking seminar on “Emerging Trends in the Construction Industry” to provide cost-effective and leading solutions to address the country’s Civil Engineering & Infrastructure issues.

ASCE – WIIG held an important seminar on “*Emerging Trends in the Construction Industry*” on Saturday, February 19, 2005 at Hotel Ajanta, Juhu Tara Road, Juhu, Mumbai, India. The seminar was focused on presenting cost- effective and leading edge Indo-US technologies that will shape and influence the current and future growth within India’s booming construction industry. The seminar was attended by technocrats and officials from various Government and private organizations such as CIDCO, MHADA, BMC and others that wanted to take advantage of the free seminar and learn about new ways to address current challenges facing the construction industry.

Mr. Vijay Thackeray, Chief Engineer for Maharashtra Housing & Area Development Agency (MHADA) graced the occasion as session Chairperson and was quoted to say that “I am very happy to see such Indo-US partnerships bringing modern cost- effective solutions to address today’s housing, infrastructure and general construction challenges”. Mr. Dave Sheth, Managing Director, E3CN Housing, LLC (USA) and Convenor of the seminar welcomed the guests.

The speakers included **Mr. Jambekar**, Additional Chief Engineer, CIDCO, **Mr. V.T. Ganphule**, Director Stefon Construction Pvt. Ltd., **Mr. Gupte**, **Mr. Ved Varma**, President of Engineering & Architecture, E3CN Building Systems Pvt. Ltd., **Mr. Ravindra Ringshia**, MD, Walsh (India) Pvt. Ltd., **Mr. Rajendra Ringshia**, Partner, Hindustan Block Manufacturing Company.

The Mr. Ravindra Ringshia, Joint Secretary, ASCE offered concluding remarks and the Vote of Thanks. Mr. Ringshia quoted that “ given the current infrastructure boom and requirements in India, ASCE- WIIG will focus on bringing new, world class and cost- effective technologies to India”.

Sponsors of the seminar were;

- a) Mr. Gupte
- b) M/s Pre-stress Products (India) (Ringshia Group)
- c) M/s Simplex Concrete Piles (India)
- d) M/s Paresb Constructions and Foundations Pvt. Ltd. and
- e) Association of Pile Foundation Specialist Of India (APS)