Dear IPA Family,

“Look at the sky, we are not alone, the whole universe is friendly to us and conspires only to give the best to those who dream and work.”

-Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam

With this inspiring quote that encourages us to dream big and make our dream come true, I bring to you the IPA Vision 2023. After a successful year 2022, with the Indian Plumbing Conference happening in physical format after 2 years, and PlumbexIndia getting back with a bang, it is our responsibility to establish new milestones this year. Our MoU’s with the Council of Architecture (COA), All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) and the Singapore Plumbing Society along with other fellow associations of the building industry, are steps in the right direction. Through these, we can make the right audience aware about the crucial role plumbing plays in built environment. Furthering this goal to disseminate information on correct plumbing practices, we have some new events and activities planned for 2023 like Plumb Talk, Neerathon, CEO Summit 2023 and new code on Reclamation of Water in Built Environment to be developed, to name just a few. These activities will help in moving in the direction of Redefining Plumbing Standards in India and in bringing respect to the trade.

As we complete 30 years in 2023, I strongly resolve and commit that IPA National Executive Board, National Executive Committee, IPA Headquarters and all members, will ensure that IPA reaches heights unprecedented, and remains well respected within design, build, execution and supply industries for the built environment.

I wish each one of you a very Happy and Healthy New Year 2023, with infinite possibilities available to us. I am pleased to unveil VISION 2023:

VISION 2023

30 Years Celebration
As IPA completes 30 years in service to the nation, we will celebrate with various activities both at National and at local level.

Association Interaction
To initiate in conducting training sessions on the attributes of good and correct plumbing practices with designers and architects through IIA, IIID & Developers through CREDAI & NAREDCO.

Advocacy
It is important that IPA interacts with Government and the Developer community through CREDAI & NAREDCO and the Design community through IIA, IIID and COA to ensure that we move towards low water consumption and water conservation, ultimately moving towards our goal of neutrality in Water & Waste, building awareness on the depleting water condition in our country, and therefore, it is important that IPA highlights and focuses on the aspect of making India water positive.
Centers of Excellence (CoE)
CoE to propagate Plumbing Education and Skilling based on current active Codes. Under COE, release Plumb Talk video series, a series of videos based on chapters of A Guide to Good Plumbing Practices (AGGPP), an IPA release. In all 12 videos to be released, with one video every month, starting from January 2023.

Editorial Content (IPT)
To strengthen the Indian Plumbing Today magazine by bringing in authors from various horizons of Water, Plumbing & Sanitation adding more content scope for readers to get a variety of topics to read and improve their knowledge base.

‘I Save Water’ Mission
To initiate saving of 500 Cr liters of water through all 24 chapters of the IPA in 2023.

IPA VANITA
To define the scope and areas of working of IPA Vanita and undertake social impact projects in the defined areas along with their involvement in the ‘I Save Water Campaign’.

Indian Plumbing Professional League (IPPL)
To conduct the IPPL through 24 IPA chapters in person, with the best of the Plumbing Gurus, to impart codal based plumbing, and to impart training based on Codes, culminating into Quizes to a minimum of 1000 building industry professionals.

Membership Growth
To increase membership by 1,500 members within 2023, with the ultimate goal of reaching a total of 10,000 members by 2025.

National Special Projects
To help in special projects including provision of Toilets in children’s schools especially for the girl child.

Neerathon
Conduct 5 Neerathons starting with the first one in Bengaluru on 26th March to spread awareness on water conservation and saving. The other 4 Neerathons to be conducted at Pune, Delhi, Ahmedabad and Chennai.

New IPA chapters
To add 4 new Chapters in the Calendar year 2023, making the total strength to 28 chapters.

PlumbexIndia Exhibition
To conduct the PlumbexIndia exhibition physically at Bengaluru International Exhibition Centre (BIEC) from 27th-29th April in Bengaluru.

Plumbing Chapters in neighbouring countries
To assist Nepal and Bhutan to open Chapters on Plumbing.

Plumbing Laboratories
To complete the development work of both world class Plumbing Labs at the Goa Engineering College, Farmagudi, Goa and Pune Institute of Engineering & Technology (formerly called College of Engineering, Pune).
Resource Management
To ensure that we are able to meet all our commitments as committed by Resource Team in toto.

Student Chapter
To establish upto 30 Student chapters across various Engineering & Architectural Colleges.

Summit 2023
A building industry stalwarts meet, CEO’s SUMMIT 2023 to be conducted on the 20th January 2023 in Bengaluru for a close door interaction on “Make for India in Built Environment” - based on sustainability and affordability.

Technical / Upgradation of Codes
To revise the following Codes in 2023:
- Water Efficient Products India Guide (WEPI) 2017 Version
- Uniform Illustrated Plumbing Code of India (UIPCI) 2017 Volume II
- Write a Code on Reclamation of Water in Built Environment
- Convert ‘A Guide to Good Plumbing Practices (AGGPP)’ in two more languages

Webinars
To conduct a minimum of 4 Technical Webinars in the months, when there is no event.

World Plumbing Day
To celebrate World Plumbing Day (WPD) on the ‘11th March’ with Blood Donation Drives, I Save Water Campaigns, Regional Language Webinars, Social Media contests, Painting & Drawing Competitions, so as to bring awareness on the depleting water condition in our country.

Improve Local Chapter Activities
To improve the local chapter activities through better co-ordination between various sister organizations and within the plumbing fraternity and the Chapter & Headquarter.

On the completion of 30 years of service to the Nation, IPA commits to be the Change, as we ensure that IPA stands tall reaching unprecedented heights never reached before.

My NEB and NEC join me in wishing each one of you, health & happiness with the hope that we act as the change agents, in increasing awareness on Plumbing - a crucial service among all building industry stakeholders, and are able to promote correct codal based plumbing practices in the building sector, which is the second largest employer and contributor to the GDP of our country.

I urge each stakeholder in IPA to participate in the above in achieving our goals and vision to move towards excellence.

With Kind Regards & Best Wishes,

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