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Seminar



Contract Management

March 01, 2025 at Hotel The Park, New Delhi.



Programme Report



Seminar on "Contract Management" on 1st March 2025 at Hotel "The Park, New Delhi.



Left to Right Mr. Sanjay Shukla, Chairman IIMM Delhi, Mr. Vinay Sharma, Former Director World Bank, Hon'ble Justice Mr. Tejas D Karia, Judge Delhi High Court & Chief Guest Seminar, Mr. H K Sharma, Immediate Past President & Seminar Chairman, Mr. Sanjeev Kr. Bhatia, Sr. Vice President (IGL) & Co-Chairman Seminar & Vice Chairman IIMM Delhi Branch.

Indian Institute of Materials Management, Delhi Branch hosted Seminar on **"Contract Management"** on 1st March 2025 at **Hotel "The Park", New Delhi**. The seminar was part of the efforts of IIMM Delhi to improve the effectiveness, efficiency and resilience of supply chain in the country by way of focusing on improvements in contract management. The seminar "Contract Management,"

brought together esteemed experts, government officials and procurement professionals to discuss contemporary challenges and innovative solutions in the realm of contract management. The seminar was attended by about 100 delegates including many senior officers of GM and above from Govt. and PSUs and private sector.



Left to Right Mr. Himanshu Vashishtha, Chairman Technical Papers Committee, IIMM, Mr. Sanjay Shukla, Chairman IIMM Delhi, Mr. Vinay Sharma, Former Director World Bank, Hon'ble Justice Mr. Tejas D Karia, Judge Delhi High Court, Mr. H K Sharma, Seminar Chairman, Mr. Sanjeev Kr Bhatia, Sr. VP (IGL) & Co-Chairman Seminar IIMM

IIMM led by Mr. H.K. Sharma, Immediate Past President of IIMM, organized the seminar on this relevant issue with the dedicated support of Mr. Sanjay Shukla, Chairman of IIMM Delhi, along with Mr. Sanjeev Kr Bhatia, Co-Chairman of the seminar and Senior Vice President from Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL), Col Gopal Purdhani (Retd) Advisor IIMM Delhi & Mr. Nikhil Gaur, Advisor Seminar, Shri Srideb Nanda, Shri Himanshu Vashishtha Chairman Technical Committee IIMM from SPMCIL, New Delhi, Shri Ram Gopal, NC Member IIMM & Former ED SAIL, Shri D K Singh, NC Member & Dy. DG, DGHS and other EC members including Shri Narendra Kumar, Shri Umesh Mittal, Shri Rahul Bhatia.



Shri Sanjay Shukla, Chairman Delhi Branch welcomed the participants and mentioned about activities of Delhi Branch, particularly the programmes on Contract Management and future programmes in the pipeline.



Shri Sanjeev Kumar Bhatia, Sr. Vice President, Indraprastha Gas Limited and Vice Chairman Delhi Branch talked about IIMM and its activities and international linkages and educational programmes and was master of ceremony.



Shri H K Sharma, Immediate Past President and Seminar Chairman highlighted the role of Contract Management, its National and International importance, current trends in contracting, frequent problems in contract management, importance of legal aspects in contract management, attributes of good contract manager, the effect of defective contract management leading to chaos and traditional, practical and futuristic solutions.



The Distinguished Chief Guest Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tejas D Karia, Judge Delhi High Court, delivered the inaugural address, highlighting the strategic importance of efficient practices in Contract Management, role of alternative dispute resolution, training in contract management and dispute resolution and latest changes in arbitration and mediation law, latest judgements in contract law and arbitration.



The Keynote Speaker and Guest of Honour, Sh Vinay Sharma, Former Director of the "World Bank" highlighted the role of international institutions, changes in policies, role of technologies and adoption of international best practices in contract management. He particularly emphasised on role of institutions like IIMM in propagating, transferring and modernising knowledge in supply chain. The Chief Guest and Guest of Honour released the compendium of articles on contract management. Shri

Ram Gopal, Former ED, SAIL proposed the vote of thanks for inaugural programme.



Mr. Shailendra Singh, Chief Technical Examiner from the Central Vigilance Commission, addressed the audience on vigilance issues crucial to modern Contract Management underscoring transparency and integrity, study of past mistakes and learning from past mistakes for better future contract management.



Eminent speakers included Mr. Sanjay Agrawal, Advisor from the Public Procurement Policy Division, Ministry of Finance discussed the latest policy initiatives of government including Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) in project procurement and selection of consultants alongside incentives for domestic manufacturing and SME participation.



Mr. Prakhar Deep, Principal Associate at Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co., provided insights into dispute resolution mechanisms legal trends in contract law and procurement, latest judgements focusing on issues such as liquidated damages and other contractual liabilities.



Mr. Shibu A. Manuel, Executive Director (Strategy and Corporate Affairs) of Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. (ONGC), shared perspectives on the procurement challenges and strategies from the perspective of a major PSU and out of box solutions being adopted by ONGC in contract management to face the challenges related to policy changes, transparency, efficiency and integrity of the system.



Mr. Rajesh Kumar Director - Government e-Marketplace highlighted the latest changes in GeM, various facets of incident management, category management, debarment and other contract management related aspects on GeM.

Mr. Rajesh Gupta, DG & CEO of Central Medical Services Society of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare highlighted the importance of preparing proper bid documents incorporating latest policy changes, timely bid analysis and contract placement and contract monitoring and highlighted the importance of adopting reasonable workable solution for contract management in healthcare sector.



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Vote of thanks & summing up of the proceedings of seminar was done by Mr. Sanjeev Kumar Bhatia, Vice Chairman IIMM Delhi Branch.

There were highly positive feedback from participants about seminar.