

Message from President

This year the PMI Global Congress Asia Pacific was held in Melbourne, Australia (22-24 February, 2010). Immediately preceding the congress was the 2 day Leadership meeting for chapters leaders from around the region. I had the opportunity to attend the congress as a part a CoPAT member (Congress Project Action Team). The CoPAT has 4 volunteer members who are responsible for selecting the papers/presentation for the congress. The selection process starts several months ahead of the congress and is based on a detailed scoring model.

The leadership meeting focused on challenges facing the region especially in light of the global economic downturn. Attrition is a big issue for the region. Lahore is one of the 3 chapters in the region that has managed retain its membership counts. A lot to ideas were exchanged between regional chapter leaders, including the possibility of holding regional or national events to get more local participation. One of the ideas the Lahore Chapter will be exploring is to stage a National event during the last quarter of 2010.

While in Melbourne, I had the opportunity to give a talk on the public sector project management initiative (2004-8) at Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology. This talk was coordinated by Dr. Tayyab Maqsood who teaches project management and is originally from Lahore. In recent months the chapter has interacted with UET Institute of Business Management, FC College and RMIT to explore ways in which chapter members can contribute/participate in project management related studies/research.

In the next newsletter I will talk about some of the focus areas of the PMI Congress to give you an idea of the PM trends/interests in the region.

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Project Action Team (CoPAT).



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Green Culture: Developing the Green Mindset

The presentation will throw light on need of sustainable buildings in order to save our fast depleting natural resources and to minimize the impact of building on environment. Buildings account for 35 per cent greenhouse gas emissions, according to research by World Buildings Council. This is adding to global warming. A critical evaluation would reveal that most of the current buildings are not designed keeping in view local climate conditions. Excessive use of concrete and glass, high levels of illuminations, and heavy reliance on space conditioning equipment are a common feature of our buildings. Pakistan is a developing country. When it comes to resources, Pakistan is confronted with acute energy crisis; load-shedding is a big issue besides natural gas load-shedding is also taking a heavy toll on the lives of the people. In this scenario green culture is the best option.

According to a conservative estimate, buildings in Pakistan consume more than 40 per cent of the total energy produced. And demand of this sector is growing at the rate of 14 per cent per annum, the highest among all other sectors. The houses when not build taking in to consideration the climatic conditions use more energy in the form of excessive air conditioning in the summer and use heating appliances in winter. Due to this load-shedding which was common feature in summer season has now become a routine in winter too. This is a clear indication that measures should be taken to conserve our sources.





Pic description: L to R: Azeem Tariq, Director Membership; Masood Said, Director at Large; Usman Ahmad (New PMP) Khalid Ahmad Khan: President

Mr. Usman attended the training in January 2010 from PMI Lahore Chapter and done his PMP on 22nd Feb, 2010. He is the Director Engineering at Palmchip Pakistan Pvt. Ltd.



Training Session conducted on Sundays.
The trainings are scheduled on off days first time in the history of chapter.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL NEW PMPS.

Name	PMP Date
Mr. Muhammad Waseem, PMP	09-Jan-2010
Dr. Akhtar N Siddiqui, PMP	21-Jan-2010
Mr. Shaheryar Arshad, PMP	27-Jan-2010
Mr. Maarif Sohail, PMP	28-Jan-2010
Mr. Muhammad Salman Beg, PMP	28-Jan-2010
Mr. Mubashar Ahmad, PMP	04-Feb-2010
Mr. Zubair Sadik, PMP	06-Feb-2010
Mr. Fasahat Ali Feroze, PMP	17-Feb-2010
Mr. Mansoor Ahmed, PMP	22-Feb-2010
Mr. Usman Ahmad, PMP	22-Feb-2010



List of New Members

Mr. Awais Siddiqi, PMP
Mr. Muhammad Ali Majeed, PMP
Mr. Usman Ahmad, PMP
Mr. Muhammad Azeem Sadiq
Mr. Aqeel Ashraf
Mr. Imtiaz Ali Noorani
Mr. Umar Farooq
Mr. Zubair Mahmood Bajwa
Mr. Muhammad Iqbal
Mr. AHMAD ALI KHOKHER

Mr. Syed Azhar Abbas
Mr. Mohammad Naveed Khan
Mr. Syed Ali Asjad Rizvi
Mr. Kamil Hassan, PMP
Mr. Asim Sardar, PMP
Mr. Adnan Bashir
Mr. ZeeShan Afzal
Mr. Sikandar Manzoor, P.E.
Mr. Syed Iftikhar Hassan, Sr.
Mr. Noor ul Huda, PMP
Mr. Zeeshan Sultan
Mr. Muhammad Waqar Azeem, P.E.
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