

EXCERPTS OF ACRECONF INDIA 2010

ACRECONF India 2010 was held at New Delhi on January 8th & 9th at India Habitat Centre.

The event was jointly organized by ISHRAE and ASHRAE India Chapter with support from following professional Societies/Organizations:

- Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)
- Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)
- Fire & Security Association of India (FSAI)
- Indian Plumbing Association (IPA)
- Institute of Indian Interior Designers (IIID)
- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi
- School of Planning & Architecture (SPA), Delhi
- Contamination Control Society of India (CCSI)
- Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)
- Delhi College of Engineering (DCE), Delhi
- International Fenestration Forum (IFF)

This event surpassed all previous records and expectations of the organizers wherein nearly 2000 participants enjoyed the Learning Sessions conducted by 93 speakers in four parallel sessions over two days. The Chief Guest of the event Dr. Ajay Mathur, Director General, Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) inaugurated the Conference and mentioned about the growing need of conserving Energy in the country and the relationship which enjoys with BEE. ASHRAE President (Elect) Ms. Lynn Bellenger specially flew down from US for this occasion and congratulated the Organizers for the stupendous show.

Entire event was held on a sustainable platform under the Chairmanship of the senior ISHRAE member, Mr. Ashish Rakheja along with the support from seasoned executive committee. The event boasted of complete paperless platform with no physical banners/publication materials which could end up in landfill sites. Starting from the registration process, presentations, displays and conference proceedings were issued electronically to all the participants. The success of this event was primarily due to wide range of topics covering Net Zero Energy Building, Green Building Movement, Latest trends in building industry (Air-conditioning, Fire Fighting, Plumbing and Architecture), Renewable Energy Options (Wind & Solar) and host of topics covering latest trends and innovations.

The other highlights of the ACRECONF are as follows:

- ❖ The Indian Chapter of Ground Heat Pump Association (GHPA) was formed.
- ❖ ISHRAE signed MoU with ASHRAE Singapore Chapter and International Fenestration Forum (IFF)
- ❖ ASHRAE India Chapter signed MoU with ASHRAE Singapore Chapter
- ❖ Charting of 35th ISHRAE sub chapter at Meerut (by Delhi Chapter of ISHRAE)
- ❖ Launch of publication namely "All about Air Handling Units" and "All about Chillers".
- ❖ Launch of ACREX India 2011 (Largest HVAC & R and Building Industry Exposition) to be held at Pragati Maidan on Feb 24th - 26th 2011.
- ❖ Certificate to Meritorious Students from ASHRAE Student Chapters in Delhi by ASHRAE President (Elect.)

We all now eagerly await the next Avatar of ACRECONF which is emerging amongst leading International Conferences in the world.