

MINUTES OF THE ACSR MEETING
HELD AT ARMY GOLF CLUB, BANGLADESH
05TH NOVEMBER 2019.



Participants:

Ar Frankly Russell Dandeniya
Ar Ramiz Baig
Ar Thomas Cheung
Ar Subhajit Dey
Ar Sudhir Balakrishnan Pillai
Ar Farida Nilufar
Ar Kosala Sanjeewa Weerasekara
Ar Suraj Khanal
Ar Noureen Amin
Ar Norwina Mohd Nawawi
Ar Burin Tharavijitkul
Ar Nova Kristina
Ar Kee Wei Hui
Ar Daiji Chikuba
Ar Sung Min Kim
Prof. Ye Yuan

Observers

Ar Saigam Jeffery
Ar Kishor Thapa
Ar Farhana Sharmin Emu
Ar Md. Nazmul haq Bulbul
Ar Farhana Rashid
AEA Director : Tony Wong
Ar Nabin Ghising
Ar Thana Chirapiwat

The meeting commenced with Ar. Russell Dandeniya ASCR Chair with a warm welcome to all participants. Following his welcome, he presented the **Hong Kong Declaration** and he focuses on regional characteristics to formulate an action plan. Then he opened the floor for the presentation of the member countries.

After the morning Coffee Break, the delegates and observers moved to the Meeting Room to commence the business of the day.

Country presentations on the Theme followed and is listed in descending order:

SIA - Singapore Institute of Architects - Ar Kee Wei Hui

She started the presentation with mission for purpose of collaboration to reach out different level of society. She explained the roles of institutes for inclusive community development. The institute has done MOU with Building and construction authority to look into training building construction material, build technology.

ASA - The Association of Siamese Architect - Ar Burin Tharavijitkul

He extensively discussed *Architectural heritage conservation process* to increase the visualization of existing heritage building. This innovative process to visualization of heritage building is a great example for universal accessibility and got huge response in social media.

Pakistan (IAP) - Ar Noreen Amin

Her presentation focus on city Karachi which has problem with informal settlement. A housing scheme for lower income has been discussed.

PAM - Malaysian Institute of Architects – Ar Norwina Mohd Nawawi

She presented a cross section of activities carried out by PAM over the years with practical examples of their ACSR work. She mainly focused on universal accessibility and architectural education.

KIRA – Ar Kim Sung Min

KIRA has academic program on sustainable architecture. They have also inaugurated Emergency architects of KIRA this May, 2019 who will provide assessment and emergency support.

JIA - Japan Institution of Architects - Ar. Daiji Chikuba

Ar. Daiji Chikuba presented, how Japan has taken action to prevent disaster (flood, typhoon etc) and he also showed the project which has improved both livability and resiliency

IAI - Indonesian Institute of Architects – Ar Nova Kristina

She presented Bali chapter which is dedicated to community service for architectural conservation. She has explained detail about LUHUR Pakendungan Temple restoration where people come here to get blessing. Community consultation has been done. Material for conservation has been researched. IAI has researched and created awareness to do conservation in proper way. This preservation reflects the cultural integration and belief in the process.

Lunch Break

Chairman proposed 2 minutes silence to respect to the demise of past President Ar. Prof. Barry Will.

Launch of Emergency Architecture by Ar Tony Wong HKIA

Tony Wong starts with the recap of Hongkong Social responsibility roundtable meeting. He explained the business model and growth plan, success measure for the entity emergency architects.

President Rita congratulated for this effort. She also focuses on how to reach and formulate principles of UIA regional goals and ARCASIA arm of Emergency Architects was discussed & thanks HKIA for the extended support to put things together to happen.

Launch of ACSR resiliency booklet

Chairman handed over first copy of the book to ARCASIA president on her arrival to the meeting. He thanked President Rita for great guidance and all the countries for information source and the ability of growing this book as a seed to compile regional resiliency guide book in par with UIA program. Ar. Rita appreciated the outcome and committee discussed to publish similar book for Heritage preservation guide book later.

SONA - The Society of Nepalese Architects – Ar Suraj Khanal

Discussed extensively the experience gained through their own ACSR work from earthquakes, relief work, vernacular wisdom of resilience buildings and preserving of built heritage to represent its era and original usage, and he briefly presented the toilet project initiated through ACSR.

UAP - United Architects of the Philippines

His presentation was focused on man-made disasters where urban security as a resilience was discussed. ACSR should address the escape routes and means of withstanding this reconciliation process with lots of opportunities to actively participate for Architects' Social Responsibility Projects.

IIA - Indian Institute of Architect –Ar Subhajit Dey

He extensively discussed all related areas of resilience - resilient buildings, building typology in different climatic conditions; building materials and resilient concepts; construction technics in the regions of India. Also, preparedness for cyclones, floods, landslides and the humanity of architects and the enormous potential were discussed. A few examples of Indian architects undertaking projects and construction technics as a social responsible project were presented.

HKIA - The Hong Kong Institute of Architects - Ar. Thomas Cheung

Discussed the institutes' activity on CDC – community development committee. He also explained their co-vitalize program to promote heritage through series of events. How they are collaborating with both govt. and non govt. entity has been discussed.

ASC - The Architectural Society of China - Prof. Ye Yuan

He presented their work to eliminate poverty and improve education. He also focused on local architecture technique and technological innovation for architects.

AMA - Association of Myanmar Architects – Name???

She explained the condition of architectural practices that is not prioritized in the country and so they have to advocacy for the awareness for design. She also discussed on architectural education for curriculum development by engaging external juror and enabling internship program.

IAB - Institute of Architects Bangladesh - Ar. Prof. Farida Nilufar

Ar. Farida mentioned about the inception of Social Responsibility Committee in IAB from current year and expressed a need to define the professional social responsibility as well as that of the institute. She briefed some of the activities like starting off an inventory of social responsibility works performed by architects and initiatives to showcase and promote those works. In addition, they have started a demonstration project on fire safety and public health issues in two old public buildings. She also presented some remarkable projects carried out under the Social Responsibility category and various events organized by IAB that follows under the SR category.

SLIA - Sri Lanka Institute of Architects - Ar. Kosala Weerasekera

Ar. Weeraskera presented cultural resilience of Sri Lanka and a few recent action projects carried out by SLIA as CSR work.

Project disaster resilient quick constructive low cost model village buildings which has been done jointly by GOVT. of Sri Lanka and SLIA was discussed. Temple restoration as heritage preservation has also been presented.

After all the presentations, the floor was opened for discussion. It was decided and resolved to formulate working groups for ARCASIA disaster assistance units (ADAU) & ARCASIA heritage Preservation (AHPG) as per the request by Chair and the numbers of group could change as may be necessary for the size of the country and purpose but at least 1-5 contact persons group to be created. Chairman will propose it to the council meeting for approvals. To formulate Heritage Guide Book separate arm similar to AEA to be worked out with interest group. Jaipur experiments was shared including the resolution adopted and Ar. Kavitha's archival documents shown as interest reading materials for the task.

SUMMING UP

Ar. Thomas Cheung summed up the meeting along with the brief of the each countries work.

Chairman further thanked great host of IAB and pleasant meeting arrangements for the arrangements specifically to President & Council of IAB and Ar. Farida Nilufar for all the support extended.

VOTE OF THANKS

Ar. Russell delivered the Vote of Thanks.

Minute prepared by: