



A Report on

Annual General Body Meeting – AGM 2012 and the AOC India Chapter Awards Function – 2012 Of the Association of Old Crows, India Chapter, Bangalore

The Second Annual General Body Meeting (AGM 2012) of the India Chapter of Association of Old Crows was held on 8th September 2012 at the hotel The Lalit Ashok, Bangalore. Presiding over the



AGM 2012, the President of the Chapter, Dr U K Revankar made a presentation to the members present during the function covering the activities, concerns and audit report of the Chapter's finances for the financial year 2011-2012. In his presentation, the President summarised the activities of the chapter including the prestigious International EW Conference – EWCI 2012, organised by the Chapter. The President proposed and obtained ratification of the re-constituted Board of Directors (BOD) by the

members present. Following is the structure of the governing body of the AOC India Chapter as ratified by the AGM 2012:

AOC India Chapter - Board of Directors

President:

Dr U K Revankar, Former Director, DARE, Bangalore

Vice President

Mr T N Yadgiri Rao, Associate Director, DLRL, Hyderabad

Secretary

Mr H V Harish, CEO, Spur India, Bangalore

Treasurer

Shri N Chandrasekaran, Scientist F, DARE, Bangalore

Directors

Mr J Shanker Rao, Scientist G, DLRL, Hyderabad

Mr Umesha K P, Scientist F, DARE, Bangalore

Rep, IDS, New Delhi

Mr Philip Jacob, GM(Central – D&E), BEL, Bangalore

Mr M V Gowtama, GM (MILCOM), BEL, Bangalore

Wg Cdr V B Atmaram (Retd), CEO, AEDS Pvt Ltd.

The Audit Report for the period 1 Apr 2011 to 31 Mar 2012 of the Chapter was then presented and discussed in the AGM. No anomaly was observed in the audit report. The President proceeded to explain to the members, the need to revise the membership fee for the Chapter, necessitated due to the devaluation of INR compared to USD. Consequently, it was decided in the AGM to revise the fee structure of the Chapter as follows:

AOC INDUSTRY ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP RATES				
Industry Member Type	Existing (\$)	Existing (Rs)	Revised (Rs)	Free Members
Sustaining (any Size)	3,000	1,40,000	1,70,000	30
Large (400+ Employees)	1,500	70,000	85,000	22
Medium (50-399 Employees)	1,000	50,000	56,000	15
Small (10-49 Employees)	500	25,000	28,000	10
Consultant 1-9 Employees)	300	15,000	19,000	5

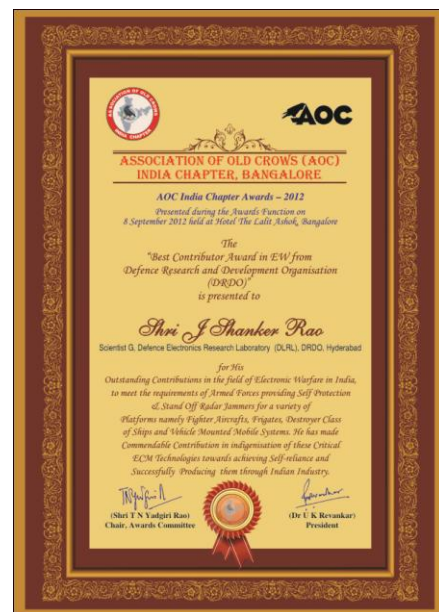
AOC INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP RATES			
Membership Type	Existing (\$)	Existing (Rs)	Revised (Rs)
Annual	45	2,100	2,600
3-Year	115	5,410	6,500
Life	500	25,000	28,000
Student - Annual	15	710	900
Retired - Annual	15	710	900

The President announced the next major activity of the Chapter – the Second National Workshop on EW in India, EWWI 2012. The First Announcement Brochure containing the techno commercial details of the proposed Workshop was released on the occasion. The AGM was concluded after discussing a few of the concerns relating to the Chapter including increasing the membership base and fund mobilisation especially for the AOC India Chapter office.



The AOC India Chapter Awards – 2012 Presentation Function was held at the same venue and date after the conclusion of the AGM 2012. In the glittering function that commenced in traditional Indian fashion with lighting the lamp and invocation, Mr Harish HV, Secretary, AOC India Chapter welcomed the distinguished guests including Directors of DRDO labs and Director (R&D), BEL, Bangalore. Dr Revankar addressed the gathering highlighting the current and near future EW Scenario in India and how AOC India Chapter is relevant and capable to serve the EW Community in India. He mentioned that the Awardees of the Chapter's award – 2012 are very eminent and is proud to select and award them. Eight awards, two each from Defence Research development Organisation, Defence Public Sector Units, Indian Tri-Services and Indian EW Industry, were presented to the individuals recognising their outstanding contributions to the field of EW in India. Following is the list of awardees of the AOC India Chapter Awards – 2012:

1. **Mr J Shanker Rao**
Scientist G, DLRL (DRDO), Hyderabad
2. **Mr R Rama Rao**
Scientist G, DLRL (DRDO), Hyderabad
3. **Colonel Vijay Khedekar**
Director (Communication), PMO SURAJ, Indian Army
4. **Wing Commander S Ramesh**
Joint Director (EW), Air Head Quarters, Indian Air Force
5. **Mr Sunil Kumar Sharma**
Director (Bangalore Complex), BEL, Bangalore
6. **Mr Abhishek Singh**
Chief Manager (Design), MSRDC, HAL, Bangalore
7. **Mr Keshav Bapat**
General Manager, Agilent Technologies (India), Bangalore
8. **Wing Commander V B Atmaram (Retd)**
CEO, AEDS & ED, ADTL, Bangalore



The Awards that included a citation were given away by the Chief Guest, Mr S S Sundaram, Distinguished Scientist, Chief Controller R&D (ECS & LIC), Defence Research and Development Establishment (DRDO), India. Delivering his address on the occasion, Mr Sundaram appreciated the timely creation and exemplary activities of the AOC India Chapter and made important suggestions for the Chapter. He said that the Chapter could take up Expert Consultation in the field of EW/IO, start a certification course for the benefit of all the cadres of EW professionals, from Services to Developers and Manufacturers.

Mr Sundaram highlighted that the newer areas of EW, IO, Military Communications and Cyber Warfare need attention and the AOC India Chapter could play a major role in formulation of EW

Policies for India. He also felt that DRDO should support AOC during its activities. He suggested that superannuated EW Professionals should write professional level text books to train younger generations including material suitable for AOC Courses. He also suggested that retired Services professionals could team up with AOC and help formulate specifications like GSQR for the EW Systems that are needed for Indian tri-services.



During the Awards Function, the AOC India Chapter has felicitated Mr I V Sarma, Former Director (R&D), Bharat Electronics Ltd, Bangalore, on the occasion of his superannuation and recognising his overwhelming support to the AOC India Chapter, right from its inception. Speaking on the occasion,



Mr Sarma envisaged a bigger role for AOC India Chapter. He said the EW Industry in India is growing very fast and one can expect INR 40,000 Crore worth of business would be generated in the coming decade. Hence, he said, there is a need to plan, co-ordinate and collaborate EW related activities and EW organisations through independent organisation like the AOC India Chapter, to meet the challenges of this huge and specialised industry.

Mr N Chandrasekaran, Treasurer, AOC India Chapter proposed the vote of thanks.