

REPORT - 9th Task Force Meeting

“National Database” (CIDC Construction Industry Database),

Google Meet 11th August 2020, 3.00 PM to 5.30 PM

The 9th Task Force Meeting of the “National Database” (CIDC Construction Industry Database) was held on Google Meet on 11th August 2020, from 3.00 PM to 5.30 PM

As the last meeting scheduled for 3rd April 2020 had been cancelled due to the nationwide lockdown, and based on the importance of the subject and expression of interest and requests received from stakeholders, Enlistment Division, CIDC decided to hold the 9th Task Force Meeting on the E – platform.

Keeping in view, the focus of the government, on building Smart Cities and providing impetus to infrastructure development, a tremendous opportunity exists in this development process for reliable vendors and suppliers of goods & services to the major Project Owners, their Contractors & Service providers.

Taking the cue from above, the 9th Task Force meeting focused on best practices and traits that an organization needs to inculcate to fight adverse times like the present pandemic. COVID 19 has wreaked havoc across the sector globally and Indian Construction Industry is also deeply scarred by this pandemic.

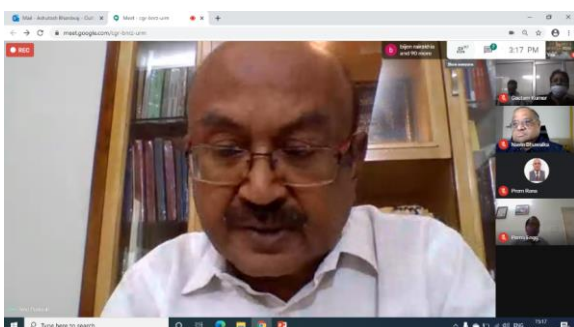
The 9th TFM saw an assembly of organizations and individuals in these trying times on a common platform to disseminate a message of positivity and put together minds to discuss the way forward and how the new normal will pan out in the near and distant future.

The meeting was well attended with a participation of more than 200 people belonging to the entire spectrum of construction industry - project authorities, project implementers, contracting firms, construction companies, manufacturers, suppliers of goods and services and government agencies.

The meeting started with the host Mr. Ashutosh Bhardwaj, Director (CA) formally inviting the all the panellists and inviting, Mr. Nilesh Shah, Director – Projects; NBCC to address and audience as he had to leave for an urgent meeting.

Mr. Shah reiterated his earlier words delivered during last Task Force Meeting regarding the systems adopted and due diligence done in selection & enlisting vendors, by CIDC, in the Database. NBCC continues to advise their respective departments to use the robust systems of CIDC Database for enquires and works. Mr. Shah also informed that as a responsible PSU, for ensuring the safety at sites, a clause in the General Conditions of Contract is being included in all their tenders which have value greater than 50 Crores, that deployment of a Safety Consultant is mandatory.

Director (CA) thanked Mr. Nilesh Shah and assured CIDC support for this venture. He also mentioned that there are a number of enlisted organizations that specialize in safety audits and consultancy and NBCC may utilize their services for the same.

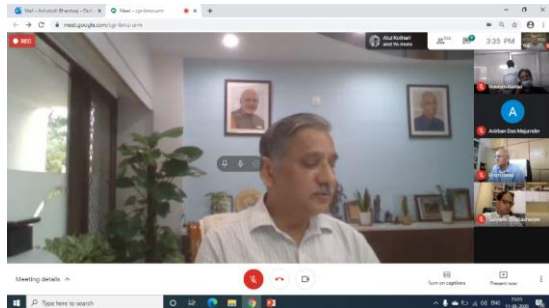


The formal inauguration of the meet followed with Dr. P. S. Rana, Chairman, CIDC welcoming all the participants. He thanked the Panellists from various PSUs' and Sponsors of the event and expressed satisfaction on the way the Database is shaping up.

Dr. P. R. Swarup, Director General, CIDC greeted & welcomed the gathering and provided a low down on the CIDC initiatives in developing & raising the standards of Construction Industry. He also provided the background

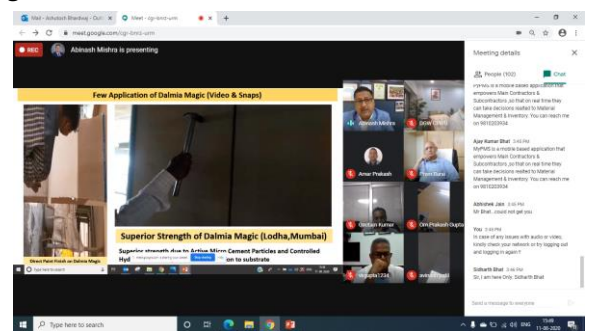
of Enlistment Process and systems adopted for enlistment of vendors for various services in the construction industry for all stakeholders. Dr Swarup touched on the various activities the council has undertaken during the lockdown period and sent out a positive message of hope for the fraternity.

Director (CA) thanked Chairman, CIDC and DG, CIDC for their encouraging words. The overview and activity report of the last quarter was on the agenda and was presented by Dir (CA) post which he invited the Chief Guest, Shri Vinit Kr Jaysawal, Director General, CPWD to address the gathering and enlighten the participants about various activities and projects of CPWD.



DG, CPWD elaborated its association with CIDC in the relevant activities and also highlighted the work being done by CPWD in various parts of the country. He emphasised the need to strengthen all aspects of the Indian Construction Industry and highlighted the MOU signed with CIDC for capacity and institution building activities. He also shared with the audience the quantum of work being undertaken by CPWD and how one can engage with them.

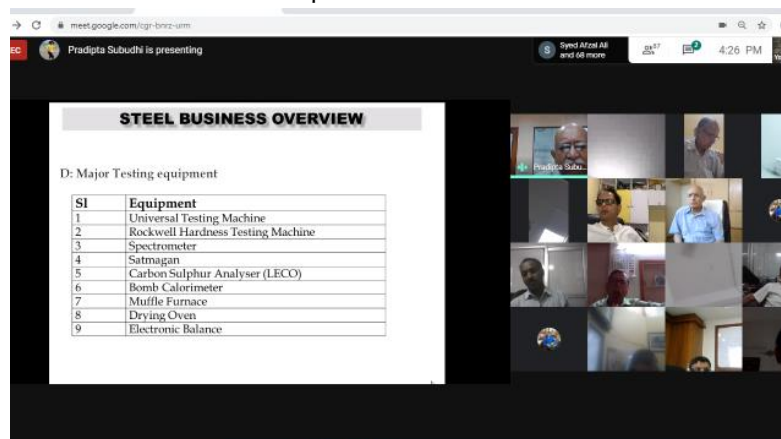
Dalmia Cement (Bharat) Limited made a Technical Presentation on one of their products, “SKIMCOAT” – The Future of Wall Putty which was appreciated by all and Mr. Abinash Mishra, National Head (Sales & Marketing) elaborated on the details of the product including its application, which was introduced recently. The audience were intrigued by the product and post presentation the questions put forth were answered by Mr Mishra.



Shri Sanjeev Jindal, Regional ED- NE, AAI his gratitude and expressed his happiness towards the efforts being put in by CIDC in skilling the work force in difficult areas of North- East under the present situation. He pointed out that lot of preparatory work is being done by many organizations including AAI during the lockdown and expressed his optimism that post lockdown and tapering of the pandemic, the economy will be looking at huge amount of works to be undertaken by all project authorities.

Shri S Sreekumar, ED-Engineering, AAI also detailed the upcoming projects being sanctioned in AAI. He specifically mentioned about the special projects/ works with tendered value above 5 Crores which are circulated through CIDC to enable their registered vendors to take part in the bidding process. He informed that more than 100 more airports by 2025 under the regional connectivity scheme by augmenting the aviation infrastructure.

Second technical presentation for the evening was by Rungta Mines Limited for their product- “TMT Reinforcement”. Mr. Vikesh Singh, Joint Vice President made presentation and elaborated the details of the products being manufactured viz., TMT bars & Fly Ash Bricks. At present they have 1 Steel Plant in Jharkhand and 2 Plants in Odisha. Two more plants are under construction in Odisha.

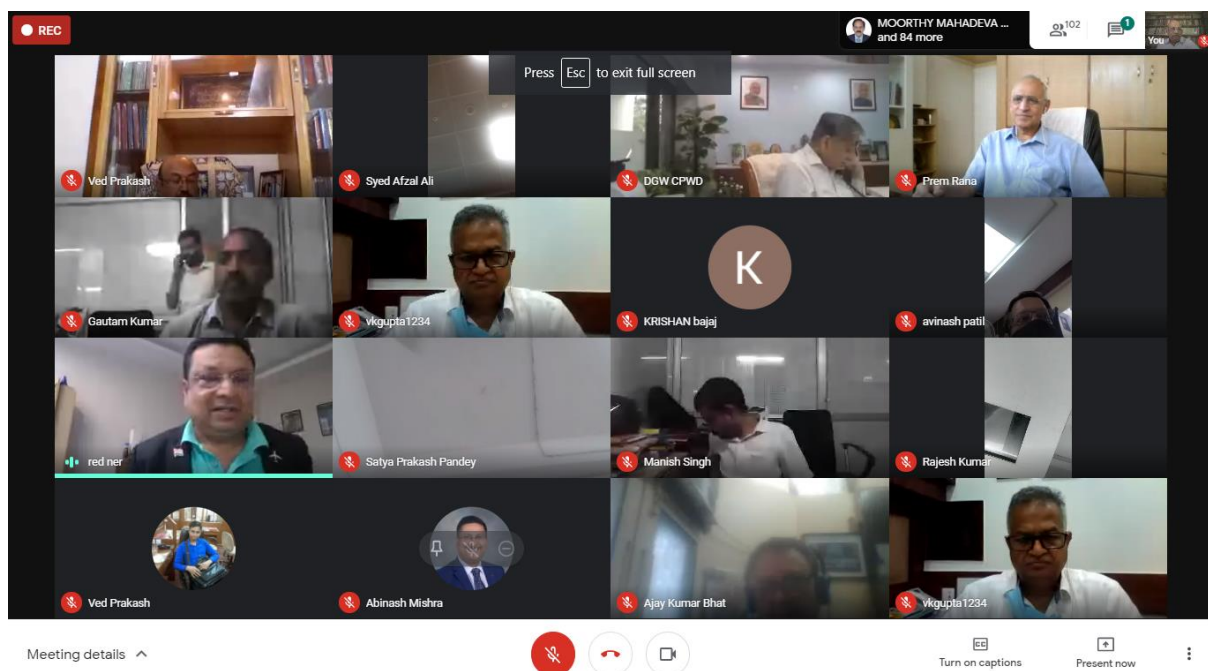


Mr. Ratul Dutta, CGM – Civil, ONGC dwelled on the long term relationship with CIDC and the Vendor registration programme. He also recommended all vendors to enlist with CIDC as the system adopted for enlistment is very robust with regard to technical and financial evaluation. Mr. Santosh Nair, GM, BHEL stressed upon the need of good suppliers and manufactures of ancillary equipments for their heavy manufactured equipments viz., DG Sets, Compressors etc for their fast track projects. He insisted all vendors who once get registered with CIDC may also get themselves enlisted with BHEL.

Mr. Akhil Gupta, DGM- CPO (M), BPCL mentioned about the Vendor Enlistment process adopted in their Mumbai Refinery where apart from technical & financial evaluation, BPCL is also promoting the Make in India concept. He also informed that after their meeting with CIDC, they could get the insights for vendor development and the balance & support to the supply & demand sides. Their team was fully convinced about the systems CIDC was adopting in grooming the vendors and platform for learning in development of the organisation. After looking into CIDC process of enlistment, BPCL has requested more than 300 registered vendors in its database to register themselves with CIDC also.

The open house has audience asking questions to the panellists and proved to be quite interactive.

DG, CIDC summed up the meeting by emphasising that all the stakeholders have to make a concerted effort to raise the standards in the industry and work together in creating more best practices and promote technology.



The concise recording of the entire meeting can be accessed at the URL: <https://cidcdatabase.com/9th-task-force-meeting/> and the photographs and videos of previous meetings including testimonials, Industry perspective & interviews of stakeholders have been uploaded on www.cidcdatabase.com

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