



IEEE Mumbai Section Welfare Association

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Date: 15th August 2025

To,

All Voting Members of the IEEE Bombay Section

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of IEEE Mumbai Section Welfare Association will be held in Physical Mode on 13th September 2025 from 06:30 PM onwards at Sai Palace Hotel, Chakala M.I.D.C., Near Holy Family Church, Andheri, Mumbai – 400093. Please mark your calendars and kindly join for the same.

Ordinary Business:

1. Welcome address by Section Chair
2. Brief Reports by Secretary on Section/Sub-Section/Chapter/AGs Activities
3. To approve the Minutes of the AGM 2024
4. To approve books of accounts FY 2024-25
5. To approve the budget for FY 2025-26
6. To appoint Auditor for FY 2025-26
7. To update and discuss the current status of the issues between IEEE and section
8. Questions, Answers & Discussion on Selected Pre-submitted Questions
9. Vote of Thanks

You are cordially invited to attend the AGM with your spouse and join us for a networking dinner thereafter. In order to avoid food wastage, you are requested to confirm your attendance by email rsvp@ieeembombay.org at the earliest but not later than 10th September 2025.

On behalf of the Executive Committee,
For IEEE Mumbai Section Welfare Association

(Saurabh N. Mehta)
Secretary

Notes:

1. Questions/additional agenda item requests may be sent to the Secretary by email at secretary@ieeembombay.org with a copy to the Chair at chair@ieeembombay.org by 10th September 2025

Enclosure: 1. AGM 2024 MoM

MoM of the AGM Meeting-13th September 2025

The meeting was called to order at 6.30 PM, and in the absence of the quorum, it was adjourned for 30 minutes and reconvened at 7.00 PM. The reconvened meeting with attendees is considered the required quorum.

1. Welcome address by Section Chair

The Section chair, Anand Gharpure, welcomed the Section members to attend the AGM.

2. Brief Reports by Secretary on Section/Sub-Section/Chapter/AGs Activities

The Secretary, Dr. Saurabh Mehta, presented a brief report on the section activities (PPT will be made available on the website). The Secretary highlighted vital achievements such as more workshops than talks, the events report, and notable achievements from the members. Prof. S. Uryanarayan Dolla proposed to accept the report, which Prof. Roshan Makkar seconded.

3. To approve the Minutes of the AGM 2024

The minutes of the meeting of the previous AGM were circulated and presented during the meeting. No amendments/alterations were suggested. Prof. Akhil Masurkar proposed the approval, and Prof. Dhage

4. Approval of Accounts, Financial Year 2024-25, and budget approval for the year 2025-26. And appointment of Auditor for Year 2025-26.

Prof. Kiran Talele, Treasurer, presented the Accounts for the Financial Year 2024-25. The treasurer also presented the budget with provisions for the Golden Jubilee year Celebration and other Activities. During the account presentation, Ashok Jagatia requested an explanation of all the budget heads. Prof. Kiran Talele provided a detailed briefing on each head. Abhay Pahsikar suggested increasing the budget for the Golden Jubilee Celebration from ₹5 lakhs to at least ₹15 lakhs. In response, the Chair and Treasurer explained that the current budget covers expenses only until March 2026. The major expenses for the celebration are expected in the year 2026–2027 and will be presented in the budget for that year. T.S. Rathod proposed the budget, and Ashok Jagatia seconded it. Accounts were proposed by Ashok Jagatia and seconded by Aiyappan. It was proposed and approved that M/s. Oak and Bhat Associates will be appointed auditors for 2025-26, and remuneration can be negotiated and finalized by the officers of the section. Prof. Adil Shaikh proposed it, and Dr. Y.S. Rao seconded it.

5. Q and A

Prof. Sandeep Mandal Asked about the current situation of the Section and its future action.

The Chair briefed the section about the current situation at the Section and updated on general directions and discussion about the section's response to the same. The section members were informed about the SGM and its resolutions. It was also informed that the section has written multiple times to the President 2023, 2024, and 2025; however, there has been no response forthcoming from them. The section members were informed that the IEEE India office has filed a commercial suit against the Bombay Section in the Bengaluru Court, and the section has appointed M/s. Keystone Partners, Bengaluru, as the legal counsel for the section. Additionally, it was reported that, since the section is registered as a charitable trust under the Maharashtra Public Trusts Act, the section has appointed Shri. Ranjit Agashe as a legal counsel for Maharashtra-related compliance. In response to the Chair's briefing, Dattaray Sawant shared his efforts in writing emails and highlighted challenges related to the approval of new branches and funding issues. In view of this, Swapnali, AG Patil, Prachi Dalavi, and Adil Sheikh also agreed and shared their experiences regarding the difficulties faced in receiving no responses.

Prof. Akhil raised the issue of GRSS funding, mentioning that although an amount of USD 5,000 (for the last two years combined) had been committed and approved, the funds have not yet been received despite his repeated follow-ups with various authorities. The Chair explained the funding route and advised him to discuss the matter with Prof. Gulab Singh, who recently completed the GRSS Conference. The Chair further suggested sending a formal email to the GRSS Society leadership and IEEE Headquarters for resolution. Prof. Roshan Makkar also shared his experiences and highlighted similar difficulties faced in this regard. Additionally, Aiayppen briefed the members on his attempts to approach various authorities and senior members (including Fellows and Past Chairs), but noted that he has not received any response so far. Dr. R. Daruwala suggested approaching the IEEE Headquarters and requested senior members of the India Council to intervene. The Chair briefed the members about the current efforts being made and the multiple approaches undertaken. Additionally, through Dr. Daruwala's contacts, the Chair and Secretary attempted to reach out to Ms. Jyotika Atahavle; however, this did not yield any significant outcome. The Chair also explained the efforts made in meeting the President and his team at various venues, such as Space 2024 and 2025, but noted that the leadership team did not respond or show readiness to discuss the issues.

Resolution 1: It was decided that Dr. Daruwala will write to IEEE Headquarters and the India Council.

Resolution 2: Dr. Sandeep Mandal will also connect with IEEE Headquarters through his society leadership.

Resolution 3: In the meantime, the Section officers will explore the legal options available in the USA, as advised by the Section's Legal Team. The AGM further agreed and suggested proceeding with the issuance of the suit notice. It was also resolved that, since permission from the Charity Commissioner has not been received, members approved filing the case in the US in their individual capacities. The legal expenses for the same will be taken care of by the Section.

6. Vote of Thanks

The Secretary thanked all the members for attending the AGM and acknowledged the contribution of Section Execom, Chapter Chairs, and Office Bearers for making the year successful despite the section's setback.