

National Association of Students of Architecture, India

Preconvention Meet, 2019-20

Innovative Film City, Bidadi, Bengaluru | 11th - 13th January 2020

Advisor: JPK Vinod
President: Idris Ahmad Shariff
Secretary: Syed Khwaja Abid
Vice President: Simarjeet Singh
Treasurer: Ashwith Koyyala
Public Relations: Lochan Aradhya M

Zonal President 1: Akshat Jain
Zonal President 2: Parshva Shah
Zonal President 3: Ayushi Sawalka
Zonal President 4: Ritik Khare
Zonal President 5: Dinesh Prasad
Zonal President 6: Vivek Manoj

Treasurer Designee: Hardeep Singh

National Association of Students of Architecture, India

62nd ANC PRE-CON | 2019-20

EMBARK



DAY 1– 11th January 2020

5:57 pm

President: We saw this as a great opportunity to host the Annual NASA Convention here at this venue. Throughout this pre-convention week, you will realize why we chose this place. Thanks for all your support and for being here. We will start the Pre-convention Meet.
claps

Attendance is taken by the secretary.

President: Alright let's proceed. We will start with the Trophy design Competition. How many of you are aware of this competition? Anyone can tell?

Z215: It an Online Competition

President: Right, it's a competition where students can directly submit it to the website. This trophy will be given to other winning trophies, designed as per the theme of this year and NASA India.

Secretary: See the trophy design brief of this year. First and foremost evaluation criteria is the practicality of the trophy. Please explain to all students who are participating should be practical. Then the General requirements. The prize money is Rs. 10,000.
Read the brief. For submission, directly go to the website, log in with their student ids and upload. Any doubt?

President: So, everyone got this? Clear to everyone? Proceed. We will proceed with Zonal Reports for the 62nd year. I invite Akshat Jain, Zonal President Zone 1: to present his report.

Zonal President 1: Good Morning, Everyone. Welcome to the Pre-convention Meet. I will start my report.
reads out the report
claps

President: I will invite Parshva Shah to present the report

Public Relations: After the report, if you have any doubt, ask questions.

Treasurer: No one has any issues, anything about the workshops or Zonal Exchange Program? Alright we will continue with zone 2 report.

Zonal President 2: Hope you are excited for the Annual Convention.
reads out the report
claps

Z521: He just told us that there was orientation for ZCM. How was it?

Zonal President 2: In ZCM, it was about welcoming the Unit Designees, it was more of a 'knowing each other' program. We spoke about the association. And in the fresher's program, we told colleges about what NASA India is all about.

Z521: Can you elaborate on how to brand NASA India, as you mentioned?

Zonal President 2: There was no conclusion taken out. We discuss what we as a student can do for NASA. We can have different publicity platforms. And how can we collaborate with other government organisations.

Z521: That's actually a very good thought. But, isn't it against the Constitution to kind of brand NASA India. Because you use those words constantly.

Zonal President 2: It was not about whether we are going against the constitution of NASA India, but it was more about giving back to the society.

Z520: Since you have mentioned that you had the zonal meet for the UD's, it would also be lovely for the UD's who are changed when the new usecs come.

Zonal President 2: We as students try that better Unit Designee come, but, due to some reasons like the HOD's and all, every time something new comes up for every college to not bring their UD's to become USEcs. Still, this time we progressed.

Z504: Can you elaborate on how the panel discussion trophy works?

Zonal President 2: So the panel discussion trophy is from 4 years in our zone. So college comes out with the agenda. There will be 2 sheets for each college. Then they will have their presentation and then they have their own call. The topic this time was, "Is Steel inevitable" or "is steel evitable"

Z673: As you said, your Zonal NASA convention was different from others, can you explain that?

Zonal President 2: So, we had 2 days, we had time issues, morning 8:30 to 10 o'clock in the night, so it was the very systematic format of the convention. The college playing host worked really hard for it and managed. The number of delegates, it was something new format for us.

Z211: So one of you here asked why the need of branding NASA, we didn't have much but so basically people outside architecture don't promote NASA so students passing 10th standard don't really know much about architecture so we thought of branding things as such.

Z124: About panel discussions, can you tell us how it would work?

Zonal President 2: Every discussion should be panelled; they will put up the points. The topic was is Steel evitable or not so they will talk about steel is evitable and I will talk about steel is inevitable. So, For and Against discussion. So, there are 2 sheets. Do you understand?

Thank you so much.

claps

President: Next I will invite Ayushi Sawalka, Zonal President, Zone 3 to present her zonal report of the 62nd year.

Zonal President3: *reads out the report*
claps

Z421: You just told about Student-teacher interaction, so how did it go on?

Zonal President 3: As an association, we tried to have this interaction. We had faculties from all colleges who attended the convention and students also. One of the faculty was made the coordinator. Then certain topics were discussed related to the current issue. That was the agenda behind bringing faculties to the convention.

Z609: Regarding the Faculty-Student interaction, so how was the response from the public?

Zonal President 3: So, people who were there working with us, we got help and they supported it. Putting on that they also addressed. In other areas also, since it is very specific. So we had students who came up there and the general public was not involved with us. And for workshops we

had very less time, because of that we have less participation.
Any suggestions?

President: How many of you have read the constitution of NASA India. A meeting with faculty and the council is necessary in the convention which is not happening in these years. You guys should be aware of the necessity of what your seniors have put up in the constitution.

Secretary: Problem with Student and faculty meetings that I have seen in the conventions is that faculties keep talking and students keep listening all the time. There's no use of doing this then.

President: I hope you people take it seriously in next years' conventions.

Zonal President 3: Thank You.
claps

Secretary: According to this year's LBC, the aftermovies that we see are not according to what we decided in the EC-ZC Meet. It will be 60-70% formal events and 30% informal and entertainment.

President: Zonal President Zone 4 isn't there with us for the pre-convention meet, but he has acted throughout the year. Anyways we will move on.
I would like to call Dinesh, Zonal President Zone 5
claps

Zonal President 5: *reads out report*
claps

Z421: How did it go through in the trophy juries, one on one, and how was the feedback?

Zonal President 5: There are 2 ways. There is one trophy and a way of dealing with the applicants. In the other 2 trophies, the post jury discussions, both the jurors were there. And whatever question was asked and feedback had to be given, they were given.

Public Relations: Video content looks fine but the moving transition could have been better. So, kindly look on to it.

Zonal President 5: Ok. That's it from Zone 5. Thanks.
claps

President: Now I will invite Vivek Manoj, Zonal President Zone 6.

Zonal President 6: *reads out the report*
claps

Public Relations: As all of you have presented your Zonal Reports. What do you think will be the outcome for the next year? There were many formats restored this year.

President: So basically, what these reports were presented through laptops, what other formats do you think can work?

Z520: I find all these reports to belong, it can be shortened and put in a better view. It would be better for everyone.

President: That's what I am asking, what suggestions can you give?

Z520: Only the change from the previous year to this year that they have put up in these reports is the thing. It could have been something new they have done instead of everything they have done.

President: Each zone being zone specific tells what changes they want, to make these better for next year. Suggest.

Z520: One more query, why do we show the same thing in the FCM and the pre-convention meet?

Zonal President 5: For FCM it is the last year's presentation for the UDs, as they take up the post of USecs so they can understand what happens there and also for USecs who take up as Zonal president to get this understanding of what things happen.
Each event, the Unit Secretary can put up their presentation.
We need to know what changes you want in your zones to happen, you need to tell.

President: These reports are for the meeting purpose and also the convenors are requested to put up their presentations. In this current format shown what can be changed/removed. Tell.
I need at least one view from each zone.

Z301: You know like so many trophies are conducted in a year. So, what we thought is what's the motive behind every trophy or what are the outcomes from them should be highlighted. So particular trophy participants' opinion videos could be added.

Z214: Since it is the Zonal President's report, they could start with what their agenda was with this year, and exactly what they could achieve and what they couldn't. So the entire GC will get to know what zone is progressing rather than showing what they did in their tenure.

Zonal President 2: Okay, Good suggestion.

Advisor: Other zones, 1, 4, 5, 6.

Z609: It is compulsory that an EC has to attend the zonal convention, it would be great to know their point of view about the same, from the EC side.

Advisor: Okay

8:00 PM

Public Relations: The Executive council and the Zonal council that is there in the convention has to assist the ZP and to look up the handling of the trophy, so more or less it would be the same as that of the ZP.

President: If you want, we can give our personal opinion about the convention, but the report is kind of given by ZPs with our inputs also, that is it.

Secretary: I think the content would be more if given by the EC. I like that suggestion.

Treasurer: Zone 1, no one is speaking

Z112: Actually, during our Zonal report, a lot happens in the NASA events that weren't there in the report. We organized as a zone, the workshop for the first time so it was very efficient. So that could have been added.

Z640: My suggestion is, before publishing the zonal report, it should be published in their own zone, so we can give our inputs and suggestions and then we publish it.

- Z153:** According to me the report should be the centralization of Zonal President himself and it should be presented to GC and get their inputs. Before collecting data from GC the ZP should himself analyse his entire tenure till the convention and then the EC should give input. That would be I guess better.
- Vice President:** Input should be here or before?
- Z153:** Before. The final report will be the presentation after all the inputs.
- Vice President:** The question is, how is the presentation to be shown to get opinions and interpretations to understand how tenure was. How to distinguish between a report for the General Council in the meeting.
- Secretary:** I think what he is suggesting is in the pre-con, the ZP needs to share it with remaining zones, and report to be presented to the GC and give inputs to them.
- Z153:** Firstly, whatever the report is.
- Advisor:** You are talking about the presentation or the report?
- Z153:** The entire report whatever the ZP is going to present should be distributed to his zone first.
- Advisor:** See what the matter of fact is here, the report is final. Down the line, if somebody wants to see the convention it is definitely first this report so by talking about the presentation that will take a very long time. See I couldn't attend any of the conventions.
So what the question to you all is what suggestions you want to give is what it is that should be in the presentation. We are asking suggestions for the reports that are going to be presented separately, the concise of the report. So we wanted to do something for the presentation.
- Zonal President 1:** My personal suggestion would be that ZPs are there for other zone work. So if your presentations are good comparing how your zone is doing better than other zones, it will be better to understand and help them to be better.

Z439: Actually, we should present the negative effects also in the presentation so that the next council or next zonal convention will get help.

President: Our intention is that only for every report. We want an unbiased report from anyone.
Alright, we will move ahead.
We will stick to the zonal exchange program this year. So in the zonal exchange program we got yes for the program.

Advisor: How many of you go through the Zonal Exchange form?
I don't see a point discussing this then.

Z511: The form had portfolios, was this intended to educate?

Zonal President 3: Adding to this portfolio thing, generally it happens that, in the week of 15-20 days Basically, those participants except for trophies participate in workshops and else. It is an opportunity for them to interact. Also, we aren't asking to make a new portfolio. Just compile the work and submit. There are no special parameters for it.

Zonal President 5: So through the Zonal Convention program, it was a huge opportunity as lots of colleges send their delegates to their zonal conventions. I don't know how many of you know that, but this was a big platform and many of you guys didn't realize this.
And one more problem that I saw was three college exams were on the same date and so participation was less.

Secretary: So did everybody get this that a portfolio is not a separate thing but the compilation of work and can directly submit whatever is done. I think that's the only problem.
Everybody I talked to at the zonal conventions, it seems that they don't know how to do, what to do and usecs are facing the problem.

Advisor: We see this in the majority of the programs that we are doing this year and as the association.

President: Okay so I have a very serious question for you guys. Do we dissolve the post of Unit Secretary and Unit Designee because we have decentralized all our work and we can reach students directly now and college can directly send their students for the convention?

And we will have direct interaction with the Executive council and zonal council with students.

Vice President: Here we all are wanting to say that if we dissolve the GC, there won't be any change in working of the association. We have a broadcasting system set, we have a form submission set, everything is in place.

President: So, should we dissolve this post or is it okay?

Z520: I don't think that's the case with every unit. Problems are coming with new units and dissolving this post will not do any justice to everyone else and to every unit that is functioning properly.

Vice President: Mahatma Gandhi is for the country so similarly, the Unit Secretary is there for their college.
claps

Z520: I don't think that anything big happens in a span of one or two years as a Unit Secretary and coming to your point of Mahatma Gandhi, it wasn't possible in a year or two. So there are numerous chances to manifest, so dissolving is not the thing.
claps

President: Point was not how leaders tend to do work, the point did not have the designation to do the work. Right now it happens that there are colleges, not members but part of the association, so they have their college representative so we talk to them. It could work that way, without designation and duties.

Z504: Apart from NASA, in other activities as well, the Unit Secretary tries to spread a message and students are participating or not, the thing that college tries to do, those things will start dissolving. Because of this, the college will question the unit secretaries and Unit Designees.

Z502: Considering the path, what about EC and ZC? So again talking about this decision, all the more how is it going to work well?

Vice President: First looking to your question, so taking prior permissions to inform the students about the proceedings seems extra work, that's not required, so you need to talk to your administration that they should also give their opinion because we don't do work that is not in line

with the administration and answer to your question we can do general interactions.

Secretary: The point of being a Unit Secretary is that you know the students will be interested in what type of thing. You will select students who are really interested in that program, not all the students.

Z524: So, I have passed to students and before going there I need to get HOD's permission so that's why we will be questioning as to why they are taking.

Advisor: See, what we are trying to see here is that you guys will see at the Unit Secretary post, you have to see beyond it. So we have centralized all the systems and we don't need a Unit Secretary to fill the gap between us and the associational college. But the point here is not about 10% doing, 90% just going out saying just Unit Secretary. So we are saying that we dissolve the post and anybody can have and did not make any difference there because that is how it is happening over the years and anybody can step in and stand with set parameters for zonal council posts and that parameters can be easily decided, I don't see a problem there, the nomination can be scrutinized for zonal council and zonal exchange programs and nominations can be decided by current council members, it is very easy go.
I don't see any big difference. So guys tell what can be done to help out in this situation. Tell us shall we dissolve and make something new out from here.

Z520: A Point of contact is necessary however essential you are doing work, point of contact is necessary. And one more thing, The executive council and zonal council be elected through any normal student, what do you take about the understanding of a normal student and a Unit Secretary about the association and the function of the association.

Advisor: I will talk the other way around, now you guys know about the understanding of the association, down the line all 61 councils knew about the understanding of the association, the entire nation of students of architecture in this fraternity will know how this association functions, what we do, what we exist for. So it's completely another way around.

Z521: So this said format is going to go to few students that are interested like said so that the whole idea will be changed, certain colleges who are interested in certain schematics, that will change the whole stand of how we work.

8:35 PM

Z520: Instead of dissolving this post, what we can do is we can take it in a positive way. Not every usec from every college is perfect. There is a transition period in every college

President: Sorry to interrupt here but we are not talking about a college performing well or not, we are talking about Unit Secretary duties.

Secretary: Four years back, during the 59th year we used to celebrate NASA Day by calling colleges from all over Delhi. For the past few years, we have been doing that in our college. This time we thought of reviving that thing and exhibited all winning entries of the 61st year and all would be able to see it. It was done in the auditorium of SPA Delhi. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend that exhibition since I went into one Zonals so I didn't get feedback from people who came to the exhibition. Is there any college from Zone 1? Who came to the exhibition?
So, no college from Delhi is here.

President: Frankly speaking when I was there no one actually came there. It was in the following two days that colleges actually came there. Being the Headquarters, it tells us we have to do something. The Administration was very supportive, the faculty was seen around.

Secretary: Since this was the first time I tried after so many years, it was sort of beginning. All the HQ first and second-year volunteers got the experience of hosting such an exhibition.

Treasurer: This time we collected all the previous years' magazines for display. It was sad to see so fewer visitors.

President: So this for you guys to understand what Headquarters is for, it is for the functioning of the association. Every year a member from ISO certification council comes and checks things in the office, checks the functioning, meets the secretary, treasurer. For opening any bank accounts they must check with the office here at Delhi.

And the Executive and Zonal Council members have cards, and also in your ID cards, the address is given of HQ. So Headquarters is necessary.

- Treasurer:** We thought to get present architects for NASA Day
- Secretary:** The reason it's getting boring now is that you guys aren't interested. Unless you guys aren't suggesting something.
- President:** Frankly tell me, in what part of the agenda are all you guys interested in it and you are here for that?
- Z6__:** The Live video thing you were talking about, how exactly will that go?
- Vice President:** So we already did that on Youtube and Instagram. We will create a module for the website. It will take a lot of broadcasting. It is better on Youtube.
- Z6__:** You are organizing it as NASA or NASA is the user content?
- President:** We have a channel for that.
- Advisor:** Point is we need an audience, right?
- Public Relations:** *Reads out the report*
How many of your college students have enrolled in this? Any Usec would like to share their experience?
- Z611:** Two students participated. We got to learn about architecture.
- Public Relations:** Also Vinod, share your view.
- Advisor:** I was in Singapore then. They targeted how to do planning and development. So we actually went to these places and interacted with people and architects. We learned a lot through this. It was very good because it was assisted by architects. And the other people who went to Sri Lanka, Vietnam and these places have gone to the architects' studios. You get to learn what other people are doing and get the opportunity to work with them.

- Z112:** In oneistox workshops, the accommodation was not there, so many delegates who came from Jaipur to Delhi were not having a place to stay. So there was a big problem.
- Public Relations:** We started with the Open Workshops and just now it has started so slowly. So if your college is interested in going for a workshop, they will call you back and get down to your city and call other colleges around the city to do workshops at your place.
- Vice President:** The Idea behind this is you don't come to NASA, NASA will come to you. All the colleges want to host workshops. We will go with this. It's not about accommodation, they will come to your place.
- President:** Benefit is they send their people to host the workshop. They will come to your college so you need to arrange for delegations.
- Public Relations:** They will take care of a lot of things.
- Z112:** If we don't want to host also but few people just want to attend, then there is a problem right?
- Secretary:** Any other college facing this issue? No other college?
- President:** This is the format of the workshop we started.
- Secretary:** Difference between NASA India workshops and this would be the host doesn't have to do all the work which normally they have to. They will take care of everything.
- Public Relations:** Any other questions?
- Z520:** Just like ISOLA, why don't they conduct workshops in ZNC, since it is a collaboration. It would be worth it if they conduct workshops in ZNC.
- Secretary:** Since it was their first.
- President:** Simple question, how many colleges want to go and attend? Just raise your hand wholly.
- Treasurer:** How many of you attended the LBC?
- President:** Guys, We should respect the person who is speaking here.

- Treasurer:** This time we had 3 slots, one was cancelled. Around __ people attended the workshop. I saw only 2 colleges attend. Can someone say what happened in the LBC Programme?
- Z521:** The Laurie Baker Exposure Programme happens in The Laurie Baker Center and we learn about Laurie Baker's approach, building materials, indigenous construction and learn it through team efforts.
- Treasurer:** Any suggestions?
- Z511:** There's just a suggestion, most of the slots were like one team. Most colleges have classes at that time, and the college doesn't provide attendance. So the possibility of having it in weekends where people don't lose classes
- Treasurer:** Okay fine we will look into it. Actually, we tried to have it on the weekend only. But this is what it went to be.
How many USecs went back to their colleges and told about this Exposure Programme?
Half of them did not.
- President:** Why did you guys not tell the HoDs and faculties about the LBC Program?
- Treasurer:** Fine we will move on. I just want to add one point. From next year onwards we will be updating the list of attendees for the slot, so it will be easier for you guys to see how many have already registered.
- President:** How many of you are aware of the archive thing we talked about in the FCM. Can some tell what was the intention, what we want to do? How many of you attended the First Council Meet? That's quite a lot.
What is the Digital Archive?
- Z214:** So Archive is basically a digital source. Probably the City Archive Project is where we send the location where there is a map
- President:** No it's not that. You are confused. Okay, How do you guys get data for architectural purposes? Google it, Bing it, archdaily? I would like any of the ZP to tell us about it. Not the City Archive, but the archive project.

Zonal President: As discussed in FCM, the archive project, if you want to know about a particular city in terms of architecture or any random thing in detail about architecture like its history, so through this archiving project we can find it easily.

President: So the idea of this archiving project was that we make the archive of cities on our website for students. We have archive ideas, we have to log in to access these files. How many of you visited the website and where is this city archive project placed there? Very good. So under forums, we have The City Archive Project. It was done with the collaboration of Urban Design Collective who also moderates the G-Sen trophy for the past 3 years. Right now there is a lot of data. They collect design data and student data. We are trying to shift the entire thing on our website. Right now it's on Tumblr.

Archive process works on 2-way posts. Once the posts and you can also post. It could be a book, a video, a pdf anything. Once you submit they will do a check there. Should NASA India Executive Council and Zonal Council invest their time in doing such archive projects?

So according to our constitution we have 3 General Body Meetings every year, first is the First Council Meet, second is the Pre-Convention Meet and third is the Annual General Body Meet that happens during the Annual NASA Convention. So all these Meetings get documented and the summary is shown after checking.

Z301: During the G-Sen Trophy we require a city map also. So to get a city map in detail is not so good in google earth so I had to contact the commissioner of the city to get it, it was going quite legal, so like going through the student platform only will be helpful.

President: We think it's a good idea.

Treasurer Designee: Why limited only to the association and not having it generally for all the architectural students, why only students of our association are benefited from it.

President: Because ours is close association no?

Treasurer Designee: But if it is available for all the general students of architecture it is a good thing, the name of NASA India will spread among the others also.

President: Ya, it's certainly quite debatable to be open or not. But there is more sense of privilege that the members had to get. So we are investing money in it through students so they should be benefitted. Now it's free, maybe in the future, we might have to add subscriptions for certain things.

Z520: Adding more to that, that whoever had paid should have more privilege, whoever registers to the website, why would anyone register when everybody has the same database to use, so keeping it close for people who register is a good idea.
And one more thing, the city archival project is acting as a platform to share knowledge, which is completely going by the aim of NASA India, so I think it's a really good initiative but its should be by both the sides, the moderator as well and we should not be on the receiving end but give data too.

President: Truly said. Also, the Chennai data has been saturated by moderators end, so you guys can upload it. Right now there is no data on the cities that are mentioned there.

Secretary: One way I can think of right now is every Usec goes to their college bachelors in Urban Design and collects the data and uploads it.

President: Will you do that?

Secretary: It will help in the starting phase.

President: So, you just have to take their case studies, their reports, that's all. Right now there are cities that are created by the moderator. If you guys have to say add Delhi, just mention there, they will add a tab thereof Delhi. Is that clear to all, ZPs, want to add something?
Okay fine, we will move on. Move on to Trophies. So how many of you went through Reubens' brief that was released? Will you guys be participating in Reubens or no? Then why haven't you gone through it? We had notified there will be changes in the brief, and there are a lot of changes in the brief.

Do you want ANDC Shortlisting?

Yes!

President: Do you want to break for dinner? Okay, so feedback on the Annual NASA Design Competition of this year? The ANDC Coordinator has not been able to be here, so on behalf of her, I will take the feedback.

Z211: Compared to last year and this year it suddenly was tough, it was quite a task because we weren't prepared for such a large task.

Secretary: The Documentation we were expecting was more of a settlement study than a measured drawing, More analysis.

Z301: Like said, the documentation was more, in our education, it's about modernism, but we don't go back to rural areas. So our college got to learn about local crops, what they use, overall it was good.

Z306: Same as z301.

President: Alright the Unit Secretaries from Zone 6 and Zone 1 may come and speak.
Come on. Zone 6.

Z603: We don't have it in the syllabus, so we stopped the influence on rural places. Thanks...

Z105: In my opinion this brief was nice, we got to know more about the villages around which we didn't know existed. Also the practices.

President: How many have done ANDC for the first time? Right, somebody from the back can say how the experience was for the first time.
Should we move on?

President: This year's Annual NASA Design Competition was modelled by Ar. Shah. He was excited about the work that we came up with. He was excited about how the association worked. He was very happy that so many entries came, and he was very delighted with the amount of work and quality of work.
So Kudos people! Clap yourselves!

Zonal President 5: One more thing he wanted to register mainly was that as an individual unit you may need to document it. But seeing on a larger

scale, NASA India is too big, it almost documented 400-450 such villages. That's a huge reach, and you guys have also contributed towards design and they know something about architecture and as a field like this. So that also was one more point that he added.

Secretary: So, starting off the year, we spoke about this also. Our duty was to get this out to the fraternity. So the brief of ANDC was chosen because of this. I think they believed it.

President: How many of you were in the interaction part of ANDC? Likely, how many of you people were speaking to the villagers and so? Heard of by-laws and anything related to architecture? Did you guys explain architecture to them or just simply what you were doing? Please tell us something. Tell us two lines on what you did and we will be done with it... Tell us what you did and we would give feedback on that. Stood and answer, it's fine, this gives an insight on how students work for a competition.

Z520: The delegates gone there had the whole village e-documented, the villagers were like, okay, we understood the basic idea of what architects do, the allocation idea of what happens through and then they were like they were happy with whatever they were having. That's what they said...

President: They were agreeing to do some changes?

Z520: Yeah! They were like, we are happy with whatever we have...

President: I did not get an answer. Did you write? Explain to them, what you guys are doing as in, that you are an architecture student. Should I stand at the event as said, we want to know your crits. Both are right, I just want to know.

Z421: It was actually the delegates who explained where he comes from. We went there, some of my delegates stayed back for a time. They had some fun with them. They interacted and explained their work like, why they actually came here; and they were like, you guys may stay here and we don't have any problem with that... We are happy. That kind of attitude...
Then once we explained, they were like, many people come, no one

talks about the result! They say we are putting inputs... we will come back.

Secretary: I want to clarify that, we don't want to know what the response was; we would want to know what your approach was.

Z214: I was not the part of the team, but then discussed how they worked. They mentioned that apart from roaming around for the inputs, they went to particular parts of the villages, taking up household and the community, asking them what issues they were facing and they wanted a chance to be incorporated.

Public Relations: I don't think you guys understood what we are asking. We are asking whether you guys include points as an architecture student, what you were trying to do or told we are architecture students and we are here to document, do work and come back.

Z603: When we went for documentation, we cannot ask questions about their area, nor can we be okay asking about issues. And when we asked about the issues and services, then they did not answer well, what we went wrong with is this kind of talk...

Z611: We had a different approach. We went into the village, they were inviting us.

President: When you went to that approach, were they accommodating? When did you ask?

Z611: Yes! They were okay. They wanted us to stay and had no issues.

Z105: We said that there are government officials and we were here to document. But afterwards, when we explained we were here for a competition, they were like oh! You are students working and so they appreciated that.

Z153: The overall outcome was okay and some regional issues were also incorporated amongst us, but, the queries of them were that, will it be carried forward by the government association so that they could be creditable or just working...

President: So, right, it's a competition, the documentation, and not an implementation competition, but if there is any communication gap between the organization, then we will try to resolve that. Similarly, you guys can write to us, it does not mean that it has to have some set, I mean there is a set structure for the association that follows, but other than that the association works on suggestions by you guys and can approach organizations for help and we can help and resolve decisions and these things come from your side that's why you write official email ID of NASA India. You guys can suggest the things and this has been told in the First Council Meet also. The things NASA India should be doing, write and put it forward to the Existing council saying that, you think that NASA India should do this. And we will try to take it up forward... Right...

Z182: My experience for this was when I went for documentation, they as if said architect..., they did not understand that. They said that basically engineers would design and build buildings for them, that's what he explained. And I was quite interactive to them, we expressed that we want to be more sensitive upon cultural and social recreation.

President: See, that approach is fine, that what they really say that was their vision. But, I wanted to know from you whether you have put effort into making them understand what architecture is... because we, I mean that was our vision and the reason behind.

Z182: The thing is most of the people would really don't know who architects are. When we have to explain what architects do, we say these are the things they do, resolves the needs of that person, whatever requirement is there. But what they think is they are indicators who design buildings and all that. And how do we differentiate between them, engineers design with whatever materials they have, they design according to their needs, but architects are more sensitive towards the needs of the people?

President: We will break for dinner, before that I want to say something, we know that even B.V Doshi cannot explain what architecture is, but then if you have to explain in very simple words, he is building up societies.
Come on! Do you want to say something?
We will break for dinner, otherwise, you won't get dinner. You have

dinner timing here... because there are people who are serving it here.

DAY 2 - 12th JANUARY 2020

1:34 PM

Attendance is taken by the secretary.

Vice President: Okay, we'll proceed. All right, so we'll be starting now. 2 colleges have presented their bids with the First Council Meet. And one of them, they have the expected requirements for that unit. So, we only were leaving with one college and that was Nehru. Z402 was awarded the bid, but the guidelines were to be signed by their head of department regarding the publication before we begin the publication. The bid was awarded to them in September and the proceedings kept on getting delayed because of HOD not being available; the faculty had some queries regarding the guidelines. So there was no certain clarity on their end of what they wanted out of the council and they started work on the magazine without meeting the requirements of the council to let them start.

Until November 3rd week, when they were certainly told that you will have to come down to college for the HoD won't sign guidelines. Because they were very; HoD is going to, the faculty is not ready. After that, they were very come down but the council wasn't available. They were very unavailable when scheduled and the HoD wasn't available again. From what we knew, the HoD wasn't there, and one and a half months later the HoD wasn't there. we issued a notice regarding the resignation of the Unit Secretary for a week, regarding the resignation, so, he once, he once stepped down, and he's not involved for so long and he behaved like a Unit Secretary and ignored the guidelines. And maybe the HoD gradually ran out of time, we don't know. They didn't respond. So, fortunately, unfortunately, that is how it is now. At this point in time, there is no host that we have for Indian Arch 2020 now and anybody who has a vote can bid again, they can also bid again. We can finalize this post hopefully.

President: Any questions, regarding this? There was a difference of opinion. Anybody?

So we need some feedback on what has to be done. Do you guys have any difference of opinion or is this not important enough?

Z520: I think the problem with one more bid was funding was the whole problem. So the whole point of the other colleges not putting up the posters funded by their side, a certain part of IndianArch to be funded by college itself, so that when colleges put up their work for compulsory work, and colleges get credits and stuff, but then the whole point- you're not getting that this just does away with the funding. So, since we're already waiting for NIPC to get the Indian Arch funded by NASA ... would be a good move.

Vice President: Alright so, when we expect or when we post on the bulletin of every college, does not mean that they have to put it on their own. It means the faculty council. They have to find sponsors. SO, they have to... and then we vote and then they have to find sponsors and we're there to back up. So, this is the pattern when we talk about the course funding, it's supposed to be my sponsors. Which somehow hasn't happened for the last 2 years. So, the association has to have done the building blocks. We went for internationals in 2019. So the fact is that the unit has to pay to have their own set of sponsors. If the publication is complete, there isn't a lot of concern and it can be, there's time to play around. But the first priority is that the expense doesn't come from the association.

President: See, the basic intent was that the actual routine had weight and the students. So, we wanted to call the colleges to do a little work. But I can't mean but they empty their pockets, but they have to get the funds somehow. Right? That was the intent. But that's not because of the big deal.
Siddhi USec of Z421 of Zone 4. We would like to know about your state since the withdrawal. Talk to us.

Z421: So they had to send it to administration but they were not unavailable to address the scenario. A couple of months, I talked to them.

President: No no no... what about, you wanted to talk about it. So what should and how should we do it?

Z421: Probably, some other thoughts, by discussing with some other college. We are not sure, we tried to do it on our end.

Secretary: Ok so we'll move on to the vandalism case. Obviously, we are dealing - some of you might know that... The G-Sen ban is zero to 5 years because the G-Sen Trophy was lime lighted at the 61st Annual Convention. At this time, the council were not in the panel area, we were at the big stage. And the security man said to check out this security footage and it came to the Executive Council. At that point, I, Shree and Vinod were there. And Ashwith was also over there as well.

So, the security showed us the footage of 2 girls writing something on the panel and then moving out of the room without any permission. So, we called the Unit Secretary of this college, Z315 and we asked whether these people are from her unit. At this point, she says that I don't think that these are from her unit and they were like she can't confirm. Did they do something wrong or not? So, we told her to call the delegates. Then, another room was the delegate, she saw the video and we were there, so she said because the video was not clear and we couldn't make any conclusion about what happened. So, we thought we will wait till FCM to discuss this.

So, then I sent application mail to HOD both the time. I just said in the mail that some delegate from your unit had affirmingly damaged the sheets and they need to take some action. So, they said that they are cheated. And they indicated that they need to check the video so I sent them the video. After looking at the video, they said that this video doesn't show anyone vandalizing the sheets and they're delegates were pinning down the sheets. But the video is completely there that they're not pinning down, they are tearing the sheets and walking out. And after this, some student from the college called the Unit Council and told them that the Secretary was putting blame on her but in the mail, there was no name written, which quite means, because we didn't know anything, so we couldn't blame her. And as you know, in this association, with any violation that happens, we take the action on you USecs, not on any individual. So, after this, I wrote another mail to the HOD stating that this particular student from your college volunteers your confidence in telling that it's accepting it. And after that, the calculation that'll go through is... the video was not added and the timing of the video was not given and no proper events of exactly vandalizing is done.

But the scene that they were in penalty because of, and then I tried

to look on the CCTV. That this camera was pointed directly at that panel. And it wasn't the panel of those people that were standing there and writing on the panel. So, after this, I informed the coordinators that, through the mail, the college is banned for 2 years from all NASA India events, that the Unit Secretary and the Unit Designees are not allowed to take part in main events. So, there isn't a chance of any delegates who are able to attend the event. This was an incident taken between 2 GBMs. The GC has any problem with it, they can revert the decision, or have any other suggestions or not. And so if nobody has a problem with it, vote passes to EC, do you want to add anything?

Z315: We already have had this discussion, I think we all know what's happening already, whether they have to go on their journey. Honestly, the decision should be taken totally unhurried and there is this one thing that okay it was done by our seniors, but, because our juniors were practised every time, and we would make them work between like 2-3 weeks. Even in this condition we still make much. I'll request it, not another batch. Please our junior batch, next year-will come directly to it, even if they haven't done anything.

President: Okay, that's fine. On that part, okay. But then the strictness of the decision is because the vandalism came off as cheap and is also affecting the name of NASA India. There were many students and other people at the convention and they saw this happen. We are not trying to say that this happens in a convention. So-

Z315: We know that it is bad. But I think that we can see that.

Advisor: We'll consider this. For me, I'm not looking for debate because we don't have the role of each student. Each student is a member of a team with their own set of problems on a particular day. So that's my personal experience.

Z315: So is it possible that somewhat all the way, is fine to respect

President: The others are also free to suggest their advice on this. Just to let you know the students are-

Z520: Here, the subject of the topic is still banning?

Vice President: No, no, there is a faculty and the students are still taught will still be allowed to do. The students who want the post will still be allowed to run as long as they have the zID.

Z315: What about eight delegates? Can we take like 10 delegates or like half of the delegates?

President: No, no, here is the point. Look, they are present there because they have earned that; for 62nd ANC, Are you really sure you got it?

Zonal President 3: -

Z315: Also I would like to say from the last time it's a completely dynamic body, For Example, Next year the other person would be there where we push a long term for example 2 years of the time the people who are getting affected who have actually haven't done anything wrong, is that it sort of pushing them back from NASA? For example, if the following impact for two years maybe first years would have their own reason to push it back from reason this year, since most of the students were already demotivated as they didn't attend the convention and might be next year from second-year everyone would be backing out like for example, those students are ready to work for NASA so that might come up in two years so reducing the tenure for two years will help the college also.

Vice President: So after listening to all, Usec would be in the third year at that time so two years they would leave the college so two-year restriction has to be put on the unit.

1:50 PM

President: It's not proven, that's what I was trying to tell, any propulsion is taken towards the UD, even during the convention, we can't all create hold of one student and keep a check on that and two years until now I considered. I now realize assuming that the students who have been informed earlier for behaviour would have passed out and also it's their responsibility of the USec during that time so tenure also gets refilled no, two years for USec and UD

Secretary: According to the seriousness of the issue we did, it's my personal opinion.

- Z520:** For Such instances to not happen again, the college should be punished so that other colleges are aware of this once you let it go they start putting in, but one year or two years it's your call.
- Z315:** In our college, we do not have a fourth-year and fifth-year volunteer for NASA. We only have second or third years working for NASA.
- President:** This issue is not specific to your unit, it can be any other unit also. Our assumption was students in the second or third year, so it would be the consideration of students such as those who passed out. Even the Unit Designee or Unit Secretary whose responsibility it was they would have passed out their tenure, that's why we considered. Usually, we give a 5 years ban, understand? So it's the justification of why it's 2 and not 5.
- Secretary:** We did not hear the problems as a particular batch or a particular person.
- Treasurer:** I don't think it is fair to put them.
- Z521:** If the ban is put only on students, it will be taken very liberally and another and says that it won't make a very big difference
- Treasurer:** We already said we would not be talking about it.
- Z520:** You guys say that you don't want bans on the students, you guys are just waiting for them to pass out, but you're not considering that their gradation, how long
- President:** Because we are considering that it shouldn't affect the students who are there; other students who are there. If the average number of students who will come, in any case, the number of students who gave issues to the number of students in the college is very less. So, we don't want the ban to affect the students that may have come, who are second years, third years.
- Z609:** Since this is the finding, we should reduce the harshness. Probably the number of delegates for the convention can be reduced, strictly. in hopes to be... to make it less harsh.
- Vice President:** What happens if your case becomes an issue for us.

- Z211:** This is just a suggestion, we could reduce the ban to one year. But, an adding on to that, would be that they would be banned from participating in that particular trophy.
- Secretary:** Participating in trophies is also one of their rights also, so that is why we shall not ban their trophies.
- President:** That's a bit of protocol-
- Vice President:** The problem is with people vandalizing, the problem is not with people jumping rooms.
- Z214:** I feel that this should be a lesson for all the Unit Secretaries that they should take care of the delegation they are bringing so that it doesn't affect. So, this is fair now. The ban.
- Vice President:** The leader who brought them should be penalized because we don't want any bad habits to come to the convention. Where everybody who upholds the student's go-outs, then within five years everything refreshes. A new set of people coming will use it. Reducing the ban would mean something else here then.
- Z511:** I also think that banning people would remove a serious issue. I think the decision taken is correct
- Z520:** What exactly is vandalism... is it subjective or how is it? The ban is meant to control this to an end, but how--
- Secretary:** The ban from assigned delegates--
- Z520:** No, no, no, I'm not asking about this particular case.
In general, the ban of a college is them not being allowed to do anything with NASA. So they shouldn't be allowed for trophies and all.
- Secretary:** No, then it's subjective. I think it's subjective. So, this should be allowed for events of NASA and the ban should leave things.
- Z315:** We are talking about this particular ban. I can't foresee how the second years are supposed to come to NASA. Leave the second years who want to come to NASA, so that they can attend the

convention. I check and the fourth years, it's not affecting them. It's affecting the second years who're coming from college.

Secretary: We are doing this for the welfare of the whole, and we don't need batch-specific decisions or individual-specific decisions.

Z521: Can the zonal president talk about it?

Zonal President 1: After the college was closed for one week, the claim that we are getting here is that one college sheet was vandalised and we need to do something so that it is not repeated again. You guys are continuously checking at- we should give some liberty to the college but what if that thing is repeated again? For once, we have to do something that makes it clear that if you're doing something wrong, it will affect one whole college and not a single student. And to all the students who are talking, just for one thing and if it is your college, and your sheets were vandalised, what will you do?

President: So this came to the notice of the HOD of SPA Delhi, Prof. Mandeep Singh, so he called us for a meeting regarding this so he was suggesting that since it was vandalism by one college of other college's sheet what if they apologize to the college whose sheets are vandalised. But that's not the issue here, the issue is that it happened through NASA India, it is not about vandalism by that college, it's like under NASA India also.

2:15 PM

Advisor: See I will tell you how it happened last year, I was in the convention, in the jury panel, entire people were there, and then this issue happens. Now, this was not just an issue to students. And after that, a lot of jurors started coming out after the jury with what is the issue and abusive content that was written on the sheets, not just vandalism. They were against it, very clearly, all the association and the college and the council, everybody. At that moment I had no clarity to say to them, and then they enquired. This happened in the ANC. And later we called the USec. I know you guys must have seen bans that happen, in Zone 6. it has happened, 601 is here? Yes, that was some kind of fight then. We lifted up the ban. So it is not about 2 colleges, it is about the association and the rest of the people of the college, that is why we

imposed it.

Again in future people will come and ask why you do with such colleges who have done such things, we say we have written an apology. We are very clear about what we did.

Vice President: Verification also took some time. They wanted immediate actions to be taken for the case.

Z502: I agree with the 2 years ban. Only in such cases, we realise how serious it can get and not repeat such cases again.

Z315: But what about the students who will be coming next year, they don't know anything about this case. If a one year's ban is done this batch will understand its importance, but why next batch, thinking what will they go through?

Advisor: We are not the people to think what or who will go through or the next batch will go through, your seniors should, right? We are here not sitting thinking what people will go through or what the faculty will go through in the college. Our responsibility is there and this is what we did.

President: And another thing that was very disappointing was that HOD of SPA Delhi, Prof. Mandeep Singh got to know about this. We don't know how he got to know, but he got to know about this. You guys need to understand that the Zonal Council and the Executive Council do not have any hold on our power of particular units that we come from.

But when my director came to know about this, then, my director called me - Why are you guys doing this, what are you guys doing about this? And we did have to give an explanation to them that it's happened but then we are all students here. You guys need to take it in the right spirit.

My director told me that some faculty from z315 called HOD and said this is happening. Again we all were called to Delhi by Mandeep Singh because Mandeep Singh said that SPA's director asked him what was going on and took an explanation from us. That too, we were happy to give, but then this is not a very ethical way to proceed. We have the Executive Council, the Zonal Council and the General Council, in that we deal with. And if something goes beyond

we involve HOD and faculty of that college. This is not appreciated at all.

Secretary: Just to tell you guys the complete picture. First, it is happening in a Convention. Then they completely denied it. The HOD denied it and even the students denied it. And after that somehow our college, the HOD was contacted through the website because they were trying to impose this on us. Before that, someone from Z315 college had visited and with the blame that the executive council had disrespected her by bad naming and blaming her which is against the norms but we completely didn't name anybody. We didn't even know the name of that girl.

Zonal President 3: Actually, I don't know about this going to the E C members because my Usec didn't tell me anything about this happening. I am very sorry about this from my end.

Advisor: No, it's fine we understand. What we are talking about is the assumption. We wrote a mail with an explanation then we wrote another mail then we got a call from the SPA, it's okay. Council members started calling then and we got no proper response from your colleges. That's what we are trying to put in here.

Zonal President 3: Because I knew about my other senior, she called, but I didn't know about the HODs call.

President: We the EC and ZC are completely fine if the Unit Secretary or the HOD of any college is calling us. That is completely fine but it's not okay if they are calling them and then justifying this we have not taken any students name. So that is what I am saying. Some HOD calling my HOD is not fine if they are calling us then it's completely fine. We will answer.

2:32 PM

Advisor: Before taking any action just want to clarify this, The entire issue of the college is not just an issue of one student. So even after him calling and giving us the name. So you guys need to understand.

Z315: I request you to please scale down the punishment.

Z205: Can you please go for voting.

National Association of Students of Architecture, India

62nd ANC PRE-CON | 2019-20

EMBARK



- President:** Okay so let's see something. We understand that you are concerned for the association you want to know what happened but then the council has taken measures to safeguard the constitution and also ensure that this kind of thing doesn't happen in the future. So this kind of strict procedure is necessary. I feel so.
- Vice President:** We first take ratification and depending on that we can move further.
- President:** I would like to add to that all those participating in NASA taking part in all the competition and everything manual ratification is important.
- Secretary:** So the notion to pass that in case of vandalism we are planning to put a ban of 2 years and more in extreme cases. This is not related to the unit we were just talking about, this is for the future.
- Z315:** So just to make it clear the ban of 2 years won't affect other colleges, it will affect our college so they might get demotivated.
- President:** Just to be very clear the notion is not for one particular unit it's for all units of NASA India and in future in case of any vandalism as such a minimum of 2 years of the ban will be applied to the college for any NASA India event and maximum will be decided in general body meeting according to the severity of the crime.

2:38 PM

- Secretary:** So in the case of the first sentence, vandalism should have sufficient proof.
We go to voting, member colleges only.
- Zone 1:** *responds* 4, yes - zero no
- Zone 2:** *responds* 9 yes - zero no
- Zone 3:** *responds* 16 No - zero Yes, be honest
- Advisor:** Everyone understands that you don't have the right to vote for whatever you like so you don't have to discuss this more.
- Secretary:** Fine Zone 4

Zone 4: *responds* 2 yes - zero no

Zone 5: *responds* 7 yes - zero no

Zone 6: *responds* 17 yes - 2 no

So total 33 Yes, 18 No

claps

So in a proven case of vandalism, a minimum ban of 2 years shall be imposed after an allegation in the next General Body Meeting and maximum will be decided according to the severity.

2:44 PM

Vice President: Alright we move on. Some of you may be aware of the 60th year we signed a contract with Archi Shots in Delhi that a minimum of 42,000 firms should be present that they were supposed to upload in 61st. So they were supposed to upload 42,000 minimum entries. We had multiple repetitions and we evaluated we had about 60,000 entries and once we rectified the number came down to 1,182 which included 137 entries that were done by the students before it was signed. We checked for validation on the site and according to us it would come down to 700-800, And they asked why this was the case there was a breach of an agreement between them and us and then they were told the website will be available and then the number of 60,000 would come up. So they asked us for the database on our website and we shared that. We are still updating in response to that and they seem to be saying that complete the remaining entries and if it doesn't happen then we will read it out to you again.

President: Any queries on this? You don't have to be too awkward the case is that if they move to court but that is if they don't want to rectify the issue.

Secretary: We will move on... The Plagiarism case for Annual NASA Convention trophy. So we sent a mail to HoD for confirmation and he replied, do whatever you want to do. We spoke to him during the convention so he said it was the complete fault of participating students. They sent a written apology to me as well. We haven't made a decision as yet. The action has to be taken in the General body meeting. The work that was copied from was the 60th-year landscape trophy

National Association of Students of Architecture, India

62nd ANC PRE-CON | 2019-20

EMBARK



of college. So during the convention, the entry was disqualified but the action has to be taken. Any suggestions?

Z511: How did this state happen?

Advisor: Just cases how this happened that what happened. After writing an apology letter.

Z634: Can you elaborate on what exactly happened? How did you get that?

Public Relations: So after the jury was over during the exhibition the students from some other unit were going through the landscape trophy sheet and then cross-checked with the online library if it was right.

Vice President: Also just to point out most of the cases the students get the seniors to work for the trophy. So this is the case of the entire college.

President: For which even we have a copyright on work as NASA India's and we put it on our online library we take permission to put work online there.

There is nothing to prove as such for the action we had taken but now have a record so you guys have to come up with something.

Secretary: It wasn't exactly copied. There is not much difference, the content was also the same; they have changed the colour.

Z673: So read the terms and conditions the work is not for students, read the online terms and conditions as well.

Z678: The sheets were disqualified right? So I suggest the college from which the sheets were plagiarized let them decide.

President: We are not only talking in terms of other colleges but NASA India's property as a whole. So now you are talking as a member of the NASA India association. So we have to take a step, the decision here. It is not between colleges and all its the matter of association so it cannot be concluded like that.

Z520: You cannot as such download anything from the website right? So how exactly?

Vice President: You can download.

Z520: But there is a watermark right?

Public Relations: You can recreate it exactly.

Secretary: It is not the same sheet, the colours are changed but the graphic and content were the same.

2:57 PM

President: Please stop the discussion for now. We are talking about plagiarism to a serious extent.

Z220: I guess the online library should be restricted to the USecs only.

Secretary: There is an apology letter from HOD to ensure that such cases don't happen again.

President: Okay Z220 you want to give your opinion or not on what you did. In case of plagiarism like this, Right now the responsibility is only on the Unit Secretary so the responsibility is the Unit Secretary. But this is not about restricting the entry to the only Unit Secretary; the entire point was about sharing of entries. And we are not confirming that it is taken from the online library, files could be shared elsewhere as well. So these people had already taken action. What would you want us to do?

So the apology letter should be there from the HOD but also stating that strict action should be taken. What action should be taken against the copyright of NASA India? This is open to everyone. What action should be taken against the copyright of NASA India? What could be the conclusion?

Z220: Maybe restrict the participation in that trophy for the next two years.

President: You are going very much into the educational aspect. What if like someone takes content from the NASA India website and puts it on their own website, completely out of education. Think of it as that way. Plagiarism does not mean coping in terms of education it means copying anywhere.

- Z220:** So what happened we can put something in the constitution for the future.
- Z609:** Maybe the same thing could have happened to any creative website or organization so why don't we look at the procedure or action they have taken. And probably take the same action.
- Vice President:** Alright so for us, the technical detail in terms of copyright the content that goes in the publication is with the legally registered copyright which means no one can copy and the college gets penalized and we can go to court and let the administration which is court decide whatever the decision for the crime.
- Z679:** So the same is inside the zone and then comes outside the zone, probably a different zone maybe.
- Vice President:** You said outside the zone or outside the association?
- Z679:** Definitely, inside the association for the convention then probably the units and results will be different; we cannot solve that on our own.
If it's outside the association we have to say but if its external party sees what we told before we have to go to court.
- Z609:** What is your opinion on this if it happens outside the association?
- President:** Right now we cannot take any action other than one specified in the constitution.
- Secretary:** All colleges we don't want to verify. It's a Non-Profit Association. Work for every day will be too much. It's not enough already.
- Vice President:** What should be done as council members of the association?
- Secretary:** We would appreciate suggestions.
- President:** Did everyone hear him? He suggested a ban from all the annual trophies.
- Zonal President 3:** Do we have to mention that though this was for one trophy that all other trophies would be disqualified? They will not be able to participate in any other trophy and will be disqualified.

Z609: If we actually think about it is the punishment and even so that also depends if it is copied after that, in terms of which we can do that here.

President: I didn't get what exactly you are saying, Are you saying only Zonal level?

Zonal President 3: There are 3 trophies at zonal level and all three trophies being disqualified and at annual level instead of the main 2, others disqualified.

President: They plagiarised. So, in any case, we have to have repercussions.

Z220: They should not be allowed to participate in any trophy for a year including ZNC and even ANC.

President: That is basically, ban on college. A whole ban. We still have a lot of other things except trophies.

Z520: This is also an enormity of vandalism so why don't we take a call based on that yeah. I think we can make a call just like we did for vandalism, yeah.
I just wanted to know if we consider the enormity of vandalism and plagiarism at the same level.

3:18 PM

Z520: I just want to know if you consider the repercussions of vandalism and plagiarism at the same level together or not?

President: We consider it at the same level.

Z520: Well since you think its serious remark probably 2 years back, whom you have brought down and I have one more query, what are the submissions that are done for NASA trophy are being submitted somewhere else for outside competitions? What is the issue, not the issue? What is your action regarding such a thing?

President: You know, there is a general procedure for this. You have to inform NASA India that we have submitted it for someone else.

Z520: So it is allowed that it is being submitted to NASA or competition?

President: Yes it is but then that permission has to be taken, and it is your responsibility and not the colleges'

President: Wait one minute, the other side should not have a problem with that, they should take care that they will not look at it as NASA India's sheet. So for that, you have submitted a letter saying you submitted this content for another competition, understood.
See this is the procedure for any content to go through places and both the places should know it.

Z520: Yes thank you very much

Z210: I have a concern regarding the source of plagiarism, how to know the panel which is dealing with?

Vice President: It could happen from other sources as well. Copyright is a different factor as we come to.

3:31 PM

Advisor: Personally, this is my opinion, So this plagiarism is higher and severe than vandalism there is a gap between them. Again I am saying it's my personal opinion.
So if you asked for design work and simply copied their work, their efforts are a very very serious case, my advice would be a 5-year ban, subsided to that it is proven to be a proper plagiarism case.

Z220: So as of now, the action, my HoD wants to take, I feel the association should take immediate actions.

Z609: So when it comes to the Reubens' sheets it's hard to tell whether it's plagiarism or not and should be looked at before forcing a 5-year ban. We share a common type of syllabus when it comes to History of Architecture or Building Construction.

President: Yes Yes we can take any action we want, we have all the powers, we as in NASA India everything included.
Alright, this was brought up in FCM also, this is brought up every year. What you guys represent here, what are we here for?

What is the application thing, it's the National association, right? As we talk to people and we want people to know us. But then we get down to our administrative work itself, people submit selfies for their ID card purposes. Do you do this for passport, visa, driving license? It's not funny, it's the fact, in 50% of those cases. You guys have to take this more seriously, you cannot have selfies, it has to be a passport size photo when you check-in.

Z520: Since it was clearly mentioned by the council, you shouldn't have issued ID cards to the USecs who have done this and his ID card has to be marked as mandatory in the last FCM and USec won't be able to access the things in the convention. He or She whoever it is.

Vice President: What do ZPs think about this?

Zonal President 5: So in FCM we already allowed them those not with the cards, but he/she will have no access to that particular report and will not be included in the quorum.

Vice President: All of you agree with this?
Right. This was discussed within the council, then it was discussed in the FCM and it was informed to you while giving the ID Cards that informal photos are not to be given out. We still have multiple cases by ZPs not doing what was informed to you guys; where we are not answerable for some people. That is why we have to take a step where we are going to penalize people, for the sake of people. It wasn't just UDs but Unit Secretaries as well.

President: So for us to begin the issue because after you told formally, personally to USecs that this not to be done. Also, cards would be heavily checked if the ID card has proper pictures.

Treasurer: I don't think that. It's already informed the General Council that they should put formal photographs, it's not that the council members should wait till that. I feel a lot of work will then be on the vice president to open the content again and again and verify everything and tell it to ZP and so on.

Vice President: Photograph is just one of the main things that are mentioned. Form C for a lot of units is absolutely wrong. Name of college that you all

should know. HOD name is wrong, HOD details are wrong, HOD is not verified, Student details are wrong.

President: We had to contact one HOD for some reason and the email id of the HOD was wrong. Some other college's email id was given.

Treasurer: You don't understand the problem here. If we send an invitation to HOD will that be helpful for you, tell me.

President: We have decided to send an email to all the HODs but that is not possible because all the details are wrong.
It's completely different in our database than comparing it with that of the COA.

3:54 PM

President: See you should put this forward to the HOD that this is a proper document. The HOD should be aware of this, but then again you guys are, you are writing their details and usually, this is considered as Unit Secretary to go to HOD to get a sign and all, but again most colleges have Unit Secretary's sign only.

Advisor: How many of you get the form C signed which you upload on the website? Please raise your hand.

President: I don't agree with this. You get the form C signed which you upload on the website, it is visible with informal photos but when you give it to HOD you give your passport photos. So that is not the same thing that you uploaded. Can you understand the difference?
The Name of College that has been registered in the COA should be the same name that you give. You guys are manually changing names.
It takes 3-4 seconds for you to recheck the names, it takes over a month to verify the names for us.
For HOD emails we don't want their personal emails, each HOD has their college email as we have for Unit Secretaries.

Public Relations: Also for the forms, the Google forms that we submit, all the content in it is wrong.

Treasurer: Even for Form X also the same issue, how many times do we have to repeat this? Why have you guys given the zIDs? While sending us anything that is supposed to be done by zID, okay. If you are sending us through personal emails, how will we be able to keep a track? For forms that last year I found where you had photoshopped your HOD seal and signatures that you were putting on the student list. 90-95% of the payments are all online, I have the details of which colleges paid.

President: Guys you need to understand that we understand photoshop work, it doesn't take much time to take HOD seal & signature Implement checks out on yourself for filling details of the association and the association has grown, we have 300 colleges now, It becomes tough to manage all the administrative work. YOu guys have to assist them.

Advisor: This is very bad to see you guys are taking it for granted. If you remove all the mistakes and issues that you made for the past 2-3 years. Back then everything was perfect and it was all handled, from Form C to subscription fee to conventions. You guys should know even we people who are sitting here have passed through this.

Secretary: The process of all the administration of association is governed by the council.

President: For the past 2 hours, only the Executive council is talking, ZP talking

Secretary: The problem right now is, the people who already know all the procedures, they are just sitting like, okay we all know everything right, people who don't know clearly they got cleared up. And we don't know who got to know and who didn't.

President: Which are the common issues in your zones, ZPs can put forward from your reports.
ZPs presents the issues

President: I think that is needed to be followed for convention and everything please ZC make sure that so it goes on to USecs.

break

10:57 PM

- Advisor:** We start with the Reubens. We had already started the discussion.
- Z102:** The sign should be on the backside of the NASA trophy. What is the need for stamps and signs?
- Vice President:** We said there will be changes. After all zonal rounds, how students reacted it was finalized that we will be putting stickers and what was right for everybody.
- Secretary:** So the bottom right corner there will be and the sticker will be at the back of it
- President:** Bottom right corner behind that will be the sticker. We don't have to explain it again. I hope it is clear. NASA logo also comes on the bottom right corner of other trophies. Reubens doesn't have the NASA logo. Clear?
- Public Relations:** We had many issues last time.
- Advisor:** So even if you have a HOD signature in the front or whatever surface it should have it in the back. Does anyone have any issue with it? Seal and signature both.
- Z520:** It is not about it. In ZNC we were discussing getting a declaration letter for round 1 for sheets from the students. As of now the USec only writes the names. What is the point of getting that declaration? We discussed that.
- Secretary:** Separate declaration letter is to be submitted by USec saying that Usec is signing on behalf of these students. In case there are students who are not able to sign they should get a declaration form USec and HOD that the USec is obliged to sign on behalf of that student.
- Z523:** The application is already signed by the HOD and the USec. Both of them are the same?
- President:** The authentication is about the work of so and so person. It is added that USec is entitled to sign the declaration of students who are not available. The authentication should be done by the HOD only.

- Advisor:** So the issue coming up is that what if the students are not able to arrange their work according to the Reubens trophy. So, in that case, we will require probably some emails from the USec ids. Instead of the Usec signing the letter on behalf of the student, it would be better if any group mate is putting, then attaching the screenshot with the declaration letter.
- Z520:** So there will be around 20 students so every student is supposed to send a mail and we will be taking around 20 printouts and attaching them with the declaration letters.
- President:** Yes.
- Advisor:** The work is done for the college. So, the college has the right to say no. but the declaration has to come from the students. Be its 5th year, 1st year anyone. Get a letter that I am so and so I am ok with my work put up in Reubens trophy. Then take a printout and put it in the declaration. This is a right thing to do because if someone has done a thesis and it is on the panel someone takes the photo and shows it to the college, but the student doesn't want that to happen, it is not right. They have copyright. If we are taking a declaration then it has to be from the student. If he cannot send then he has to mail it to Usec and it will be attached with the declaration that you submit.
- Secretary:** So as we told there will be no negative marking. Even if there is one small mistake, direct disqualification. No projections will be allowed.
- Z520:** Since the shortlisted entries are uploaded on the website, we give a declaration. But when we go there, we don't have more than 40 – 50 sheets. But that is the same sheets submitted for the online submission. Some submission gets disqualified but still, it is on the website. How fair it is for others.
- Advisor:** Last year there was some problem. If something was missing then we would have asked to resubmit. If before that then we don't know.
- Z520:** Last time I remember Z501 and one more college submitting online. They weren't allowed to attend any other after shortlisting. When you are giving others a chance of shortlisting
- Advisor:** Last time after we checked everything then only, we allowed.

- Z520:** My college also didn't get a chance.
- Advisor:** This time we will look into it. We will check everything and then only. Maybe the approving part only. Especially the shortlisted entry we verify ourselves. Once you give us the shortlisted entry and declaration then only we will proceed further and tell them and show it to jurors. So probably online the files were misplaced.
- Z153:** We get one question: can the sheets be mounted?
- Advisor:** On what?
- Z153:** On all sides like with black paper.
- President:** No, no mounting backing sheet can be there but if it comes out then it is counted as two sheets.
- Z153:** We staple the sheets so that it becomes thick. Can we do that?
- President:** Yes. But, if while turning it separates then it is counted as two different sheets.
- We will release a declaration form for Reubens also because we got a situation where we have to take a certain first year's students also, so that has to be followed.
- In many zones, we saw that they were running sheets in 2 panels. There cannot be any sheets coming out of the panel. It is two different panels. Two more changes. One is the addition of document 4. It is the soft copy of reports for the online submission. And document 3 is the syllabus and introduction to the college philosophy. Earlier the only syllabus was to be kept now both the documents need to be kept.
- Advisor:** Be very cautious about the sheets especially the handmade sheets because every year we get the complaints that our sheets got torn. It is your sheets and it is your responsibility.
- Secretary:** You don't have to put the NASA logo in the Reubens sheets. Also, you don't have to hide your identity in Reubens sheets.

- Z105:** Actually my college, on the backside, the HOD sign and stamp is on the wrong side according to me. So, do we have to get it done again?
- Secretary:** Yes get it on the correct side.
- Advisor:** One more thing we will add the year of the student in the sticker of Reubens. So, you have to mention 3rd-year 1st year. It serves two purposes. One that it helps us to count the maximum number of entries per year and also some students do a thesis in 4th year some in 5th year so it is hard time for the juror to get to know this. It will distinguish them.
- Vice President:** Any queries about LIK? We had answered all questions online. Some questions were very general. Related to the submissions see brief.
- Z304:** How many panels will be provided
- Vice President:** Two panels. We will release the trophy guidelines.
- Advisor:** This year we have a change in the submission requirement. Last year we had 2 submissions. Now we have deleted the second one. So online submissions we had sheets and panels. Last year we noticed that some colleges were missing field notes.
- Z211:** So the authentication letter asks for a stamp from an organization. So, what if it doesn't have a stamp?
- Vice President:** Get it signed so that we can verify that you went.
- Advisor:** So the question is what if the place doesn't have a stamp then get the signature from the authority, we will verify it from them. Any other doubts.
- Z210:** It mentions decorated font styles. So the headings also have to be of the given font?
- Vice President:** Yes. LIK is not a presentation sheet. It has to be a content sheet. The font style and colour have been mentioned. Another thing, once the shortlisting is don't, we will be collecting the editable files. If those files are not given then the prize money will be withheld.
Last year we faced a lot of problems in the annual convention trying to get the editable file. So, since we were doing the publication for

the last 3 years, collecting files was difficult. Now we had the problem that you all had rasterized the files to put it in another photoshop file, so the files you shared with us were not good. So, unless we have editable files the quality of printing goes down at the printing press.

President: Any entry that goes up for Reubens is open to all and anyone can take pictures. No one can say no to it.

Z504: So, few of the colleges that want to do it take a few sheets and compose it into one sheet and pin it up. So how do you count them? Like A2 sheets together making A1 sheets. So how do you count them?

Advisor: Last year we had cleared that if it is printed into one sheet then it will be considered as one sheet. If it has been stuck into one sheet then it will be considered as two different sheets. That is also for panels. If we can distinguish then we will count as two. If we see two formats then we will count sheets.

Z520: Now when we have an 8 feet long panel and we have one strip running through and through. So in college, we don't do 8 feet long sheets except for Reubens. And it is not fine but that's happened. So, for college submission, no one does an 8 feet by 1-foot sheet but we see that pinned up for Reubens. How is it done? It can only be done specially for Reubens. It's like we composed obviously.

Advisor: Composition is ok.

Z521: What she is trying to say is a college normally would not do 8 feet by 1 feet submission.

Advisor: We can't say that. There is no way. This is completely based on assumptions. If you can come up with something concrete then we can discuss. Some colleges have the Reubens trophy in mind while they plan. It can be true. We can't do anything.

Public Relations: The panels are 8 feet by 4 feet. Anything can be done for composition.

Advisor: I have seen colleges doing composition on 8 feet by 4 feet panels. It is completely normal.

- Z521:** Also, whenever it is mentioned that the sheets cannot be redone. So how is the council making sure that the work is not redone?
- Advisor:** We make sure by having the signature of HOD on every sheet. That is your college issue if she is ready to sign redone sheets.
- Z520:** What she is trying to say is that for zonal we have a set of sheets. For annuals, we see the same sheets with different colour pallets. That is recomposition. When you have the best sheets in the zonals. Why will you lose the chance to win?
- Advisor:** So, you suggest that we remove the point of not reworking on the sheets.
- Z520:** No, it shouldn't be allowed.
- Advisor:** I don't see a way how we can ensure this. That is why we need a seal and sign of the college for authentication.
- President:** If you guys are coming up with a solution then we can discuss it.
- Z521:** I think the clause should be removed.
- Advisor:** I think it should stay. We should respect the person who has signed, she has signed and stamped whatever the sheets are given to her.
- Z520:** I know it is hard for you guys to do it but that's what is happening.
- Zonal President 2:** Is this happening only in your college or all Zone 5?
- Z520:** No,
- Advisor:** If we remove them then definitely the people will rework which is completely wrong. Whoever is signing it we will mention there that it is wrong. But again, it will pressurize it.
You get it signed by the HOD right?
- Z351:** If the declaration of HOD is there and then later we find that the rules are not followed and there is some irregularity, then what happens.
- Advisor:** We have a subjective team coming up. So whatever decision it will take we will go with it.

- Z520:** This happened last year with our zone. A college was disqualified but the letter was reluctantly given. But what is NASA doing about it
- Advisor:** I will tell you the procedure that we follow. We take a declaration from colleges. If something as such happens, the secretary writes a letter to the HOD that you have signed a declaration and so-so has happened. Usually, the Usec is impeached and whatever action is to be followed is done. So if at all it is the direct fault of them they apologies. If they don't then we stop their participation in trophies. So far these measures we are taking.
- Z520:** How many times has the HOD apologized because she shouldn't be signing on a letterhead. it doesn't hold any value then.
- Advisor:** Doesn't hold any value for the college.
- Z520:** It is not about the letter.
- Advisor:** There are repercussions for these activities. There have been numerous events.
- Z511:** When any rule is breached how is it taken
- Advisor:** I don't know. If anything is breached then there's a direct disqualification. I don't know why it is coming here. There are always 5 to 6 cases of disqualification. It is a direct disqualification. You are not allowed to be a part of the competition.
- Z520:** Last year in ANC there was a panel which was all colour coded. All the sheets had been specifically given that same pallet of colour. So it is obvious that it is done on purpose.
- Advisor:** Probably if we would have seen it then we would have written back to it. Had it been shortlisted? You should have told it that time.
- Z520:** We worked hard on the panels. How fair is it to have Reubens as a criterion of judgement.
- Advisor:** The jury that will come will not see the colour coding it will not see if you have reworked your sheets, they will not see it according to this. They see the academic curriculum. They see how the progress is from

the first year to the final year. They see individuals' progress. It's not colour coding or any other thing.

Z520: So, should we remove them from Reubens?

Advisor: No why should we remove it? We enforce all possible means to make it fair. And you people seem so stubborn and not change and want to remove it.

Z314: I would like to clear. Since I was Usec, earlier it was not about winning but learning from that. Just going to the exhibition and looking at the sheets. Some of them go to a panel and start bitching about it. Reubens is about learning something from it. What we have to do is not to take out faults like this is wrong and that is wrong, the council is not looking at it and pointing mistakes. We know we have sheets, let the jury decide and trust in the process. The aim of the trophy is lost.

Advisor: None of these aspects is seen by the jury. Colour coding all these don't matter. I am repeating it again and again. You guys put up a panel that's it. That is the job of the panel.

Z520: So this is what we tell our delegate that the composition and the colour coding does not matter and then they come back and tell us that the winning panel was very well composed.

Advisor: Of course. If it is very nice why won't it win? It doesn't only have one aspect. So, the problem of not satisfying your thing is delegates.

Z520: Yes that's one problem.

Z511: So you're telling me that reworking on sheets is technically not allowed on the sheets? Is it against the rules?

President: The sheets come with a declaration from the Hod that these sheets were made for the academic purpose and not for just submitting for the jury.
Fine, we will move on?
Ok we will remove.

There is no video there is a presentation of the postcard that you make that you have to do. If you make one sheet and one postcard.

- Z521:** Also, you have mentioned about it.
- President:** I will have to get back to you for this. I will tell you the truth, it is not meant, it is not allowed. If there is no video submission it is also not mentioned in the brief that there is no video submission. And no guideline for video or presentation.
- Z319:** I was asking about 10 postcards. It is written with 10 postcards.
- President:** It is 10 in number.
- Z319:** Actually, it is written that the team can submit 10 postcards.
- President:** No, it's the content. We focus on the content on the sheet.
- Z304:** Should the postcards have the NASA logo on the back.
- Advisor:** It's not mentioned in the brief. There is no hard and fast rule. We will mention it in the FAQ. We have not provided the size.
- Z304:** Should there be a NASA logo on each page of the field book?
- President:** No. it's just what you do on-site. it is just a compilation.
- Advisor:** The submission of the postcard is not detailed out. The 10 postcards have to be put in a presentation only.
- Z214:** So, you mentioned that we should submit the softcopy of the sheets and also a video link. So, it is very confusing.
- Advisor:** So, it's a general guideline for all. Declaration letter, authentication letter and secondary submissions. It is there in all briefs. You will find the same guidelines in all trophy briefs. So, if there is a secondary submission then it will be mentioned. So, there is no video or presentation.
- Z211:** HUDCO submission will be at the ANC or there will be shortlisting happening?
- Advisor:** We put it in trophy guidelines very clearly. Sufficient deadlines are always given. No shortlisting criteria to be released before.
- Advisor:** We will continue to LBC.

- Z153:** Initially there is no video requirement.
- Advisor:** There are 3 general submission guidelines which will be there in all trophies. They are, authentication letter, declaration letter and if there is any secondary submission or not. How it has to be submitted. So, the secondary submission could be a report, a video or a presentation. So how it is to be submitted there is a general guideline. If there is no mention of video then no video is to be submitted. If there is no mention of the report then there is no report submission.
- Z153:** Last year this happened with LBC. This time what all changes are happening?
- Advisor:** GRIHA? Any doubts? Any queries for the GRIHA trophy.
All right, we move to the MSL trophy.
- Z153:** Is there any registration for the MSL trophy?
- President:** Yes there is registration for the trophy. We will open it shortly.
Ok Ethos trophy now.
- Advisor:** Some students have not mentioned there a year. This is very bad. In the portfolio, you should mention which year the portfolio is. It is very difficult to sort them out.
- President:** ID? Second stage submission any questions? Any more questions?
- Z214:** So, it mentions the dimensions only there is no particular scale. So, it has to be proportional
- President:** Yes.
- Z214:** The presentation should have Logo on it?
- Z211:** How many students are allowed to participate?
- Secretary:** The maximum number of students allowed to participate is 4 people.
- Vice President:** How do you guys want to do the registration?
- The link opens as soon as we release the trophy brief. And the trophy submission will end on 6th Feb. How is it?

Vice President: All right we open for questions.

Advisor: Ok we will meet tomorrow.

12:57 AM

National Association of Students of Architecture, India

62nd ANC PRE-CON | 2019-20

EMBARK



DAY 3 - 13th JANUARY 2020

11:00 AM

Attendance is taken by the secretary.

Z609: How are the halls being set up?

President: You want to provide it? For speeches, we won't provide that. hall will be needed for movies, presentations, and juries. We have whole areas for seminars. The other is a platform at the centre. The other is next to the stage area. And the other is the stage area. There is another with 200 capacity.

Z609: What will we use it for

Public Relations: We use it for workshops and other requirements.

President: Those stages can be used for presentation seminars. Not for speaking. Only the audience will be seen.

Z210: So, the expenses for lighting and those come under what calculation.

President: That's another topic. We will come back to it later.

Z609: Fire safety is an important issue. What about it?

President: We will inform the fire station and rest it up to them. We have to pay for them. The ambulance will be provided here.

Z609: And will there be a doctor there?

Z214: So, the mattresses will be there or it will be your mattresses?

President: It won't be these mattresses that you have now there will be proper mattresses. The cotton mattress that you have in the zonal.

Z214: Also, the partitions that you have in the boy's accommodation is what way is it being?

President: Mattresses and accommodation are not right now, put it away.

- Treasurer:** So, this is the basic expense of the event. It is coming to 76 lakhs. Other than this the budget will be more than 1 crore. So this time the venue, food and accommodation are costing around 1 crore 25 lakh.
How much are you expecting delegation?
- Everyone:** 6000-7000
- Z210:** What is the expense of stage and lighting?
- President:** This is technical. We have to get chairs and all that.
- Treasurer:** So, this is the budget for the ANC.
Anybody is having any doubt?
- President:** Are you guys happy with the food here? It will be a proper 3-course meal that will be provided during the ANC
- Z210:** So, when all will be the food provided.
- President:** As I have already answered. The dinner will be provided on 6th of February so all of you are requested to arrive on the 6th of February itself. Accommodation will be provided here. It will be preferable if you guys come after 3. We will have to arrange for everything for you. So that we can start day 1 without registration.
- Secretary:** Actually, not preferable. You need to arrive on the 6th of February. We need to do the registration.
- Z210:** So technically we have 5 nights when we are having food here.
- Secretary:** Yes
- Z210:** Because here it is given only for 4 nights.
- President:** See it is written for faculty and tutors. For faculty and tutors, the accommodation will be of 4 days and 4 nights only. They will be living outside. They can also come on campus. 14 rooms are booked. So those will be provided for 4 days. Everything on campus will be done here.
- Z210:** Do we have sponsors for this event

- President:** No not right now but there is a company they are willing. They are asking for logos and all that. So, they are not charging. Other than that, we are still searching for sponsors. Right now, there are no sponsors.
- Z504:** So last year in Reubens, that was for 4 nights, so that is also mentioned that all events for 4 nights.
- President:** Ok we will change that.
- Z521:** The money that is stated 1 crore 25 lakh, is there any document which says so much money is given?
- President:** Yes there is an MOU signed with them. You guys want to see the document or you want to see the budget that is finalized. Do you want to see both?
- Until I set up, I will tell you we are paying the innovative film city a sum of 28 lakhs for food, a sum of 52 lakh for the place for 3rd onwards.
- Z609:** So, bringing in sponsors will reduce the delegation fees.
- President:** You will have to understand how the income is.
- Z535:** Can we go forward to this?
- Treasurer:** Since we don't have any infrastructure in the campus, we will be requiring tables and chairs etc. ambulances, backdrops, mattresses
- Public Relations:** Stage sounds all that.
- Z241:** Is this the split of 1 crore 25 lakh or is it different from it
- Treasurer:** See this is the sum for 80 lakhs.
- Z241:** Because in the MOU it is about 82 lakhs. So, what is the extra 32 lakhs used for?
- President:** So, it is consolidated with GST.
- Z520:** You have shown food is 1 lakh 20 thousand because here you have shown that food is 20 lakh what is this 1 lakh 20 thousand.

Treasurer: That is for our calculation, that is the remarks column.

Z535: Can we see the previous screen that you showed.

Vice President: Logistics includes lights divisions partitions the portable toilet.

Z535: The power backup was in another list also.

Treasurer: So, the total is 1 crore 70 lakhs. We will find out the delegation fees.
This time we are considering paying USecs also.
So, delegation is 6000, faculty is 9000, so this is the total income we are getting.

Z520: Why did you take 2000 as the total number of delegates?

President: 2000 total number of delegates. The unit council is separate. They are counted separately. When I started the meeting, I explained why the 2000 number is kept. It is for easy calculations.

Z520: I just want to know how many USecs attended last year's ANC.

Secretary: It was around 200.

Z520: What is this 200

Secretary: This is many juries and faculty. It is from last year.

Advisor: Right now the delegation fees are made according to the number of people attending. If more people attend then the fee will go down.

President: Ok so we are short on time please wind quickly.

Advisor: So, we have explained to you how everything will be done and how things will be put. So, the budget is finalized? Alright.

Vice President: Since we are short on money this time so the council decided to put in around 50 to 60 lakhs. This is done to reduce the burden on the unit secretaries to gather money.

- Z520:** I have one more query
If we don't get the desired number of delegates then there will be a loss. Then who is going to be?
- Advisor:** Ok so I'll tell you how the budget is made. The income is made as least as possible and the expenditure is made as maximum as possible. There is also some percent of extra kept. The budget is not made exact. Whatever the case the budget will not cross a certain limit. One thing I can make sure is that units are being safe and they are being more cautious. They do not have the experience for this. What could go wrong all this we have seen and checked. Then we have come up with this number. Everything is covered. We have checked and verified with people who have seen.
- Z520:** I still think there should be a backup plan. How much ever you take there is always a worst-case scenario. You should have a backup plan.
- Z105:** This is a concern from their side. As they were always busy and they were not able to attend workshops. So at least a bit amount could be deducted from their side.
The meeting goes on till the morning and they need a little bit of rest. So they cant attend workshops. So it is a bit harsh on them.
- Advisor:** First I will answer your question – so worst-case scenario I will figure it out before the convention. So we will open a delegation and bring in more delegates. We have a limited capacity for the number of people staying. The second case could be fewer delegates come in. In this case, we need to cut down the unnecessary things in our budget.
I will tell you one solution not as an EC but as a whole GC. So one solution that I can propose is that you tell us which event you don't want. If we have a surplus amount, we will do it. It won't be eliminated from the budget. But we will do it only if there is a surplus amount. Whatever the case this won't be reached.
- Z105:** It's just a suggestion, like in the delegation kit we have included a map.
- Advisor:** We will go through it.

See we have a capacity of about 3500 people. That means we can accommodate 3500 people. And in the worst-case scenario, it will be hard to handle. So they have shown us a lot of places that we haven't used till now. The park is good enough to hold 3500 people. But it was the advice of each council not to hold that many people. We will also be considering. The MOU between the TESSERACT and NASA India has not been signed yet. We will be going through the budget in complete detail. Even in our budget, you guys can tell what is necessary. The delegation kit in your hand is 26 rupees. 12 rupees file, 12 rupees book and 2 rupees pen. That is for comparison.

Z535: As one of the possibilities was that we might be at lose. Now we have to look at other possibilities than what if we have surplus money?

President: That will reduce the surplus and cannot be permitted because of tax.

Z535: The surplus will put the amount of surplus the association puts. The money extra income will go back to the association. If we have extra money then the amount put by the association drastically reduces.

Vice President: Alright I explained to you the way of registration. It will be done similarly like USec. When you will login from Usec Id you will see on your left a link. ANC registration. You go on the ANC registration. The first stage for registration will open on 11th Jan and will close on 17th January.

Alright, so the first stage of registration is clear. As soon as you get thee fill in the information you can start getting verification done latest by the second registration. The second stage will be 20th Jan to 24th Jan. By this time all the cultural also need to be sorted out. You will be required to fill. This will fill by 24th Jan. Transportation form will be open on the 25th of January and then the third stage of registration will open on 27th January to 29th January. The workshop registration will open on 30th January to the 31st of January. All this will be sent to mail in detail.

President: You guys are selecting your delegation teams right away. Get your tickets booked. Whoever is already shortlisted please make sure of their delegation.

Z504: So, from which account the money should be paid. It is the student's fund which is collected for the subscription fee.

Treasurer: For the last two years we have had a greater number of colleges added to the list. The money is paid after the deadline. So, 50% of the fine is collected after it. The fine money collected is like 70 lakhs of excess amount. We don't use it.

President: Around 77 lakhs excess we have from new college registration and fine amount. So, we consider registration and fine alone that comes to 35 lakhs. That's how we arrive at this amount. This is excluding the 62nd-year subscription fee. We have not touched this year's subscription fees.

Secretary: The problem is that when the subscription fees were decided previously, we did not expect this much members. So, income has increased so much. Also, the fine was decided to 50% in the constitution to deter such activity but many colleges do not pay on time and end up paying more.

President: So, we have seen that colleges pay after march because they don't want to get out of the association. What they don't understand is that they will have to pay a fine. You guys need to understand that subscription fees have a deadline so you don't have to pay a late fee. Only about 35 lakhs come, this is not including 62nd year fine and registration. In this, we are still not considering the extra college's subscription. This is only 50 % fine and registration. And also some of these 77 lakhs is from leftovers from 4 years back. So, we have to put in an application for it. Are you guys clear?

Z520: This might be a little out of context but now the reason for so many units backing off from hosting such a huge convention is the fear of paying the excess money. So with the clause that like 3000 delegates have registered but they don't turn up. So what happened like in SJB last year, would NASA India pay that cost.

President: So, I would like to tell you guys something. Like the year in SJB also and this year Zone 6 also we were asking for the registration form. Because we were aware that this much amount they will give. And with SJB the cross was not with the number of delegates but with the amount. The annexure that they had signed with was of the amount and that amount was breached. The bank statements are clear. If the worst-case scenario comes up then with the GC we can solve it.

You guys remember in FCM it was presented in an excel sheet and not in balance. Audits were not shown. The GC will help them out.

Z520: So, this is a continuous question. Like the budget is passed for 3000 delegates. Will the NASA ensure that that number of delegates will come

Advisor: So, this started in the 59th year. We had to put a concrete number. We needed to make budgets so we started using a fixed number. That is 3500. Anyway, whatever the problem is, we will have a 3000 person budget. But the problem with them was that we were at a loss because they over-performed their goals. We always put up a range of delegates. This is don't because if we give a number they will say that NASA is promising that number which we cant. We never put it for a concrete number. Say we look for 3500 people, so we state income for only 3200 people. But we make a budget with 3500. Lowest most income with maximum expenditure. This is from experience. We are never at loss. What the project with you guys is always a concrete number. We started giving a range. The college started saying that we promised. We never promise. Anywhere between the range. That is the whole point of online application. In annuals, we have 2000 delegates. So the income is from 1600 delegates. We are expecting around 2000 delegates. We are never at loss this way even in MOUs we started stating this very clearly.

President: Last year the registration was completely fine. They received a smaller number of delegates for which it was not reported to any council. When we checked their transportation form the number was well over the number written in the MOU.

Z511: What if I do not qualify for delegation and also don't get qualified in trophy what happens then?

President: So, the trophies that you already have are qualified, you guys can get delegates.
We will inform you.

Vice President: Only in the case of MSL we will allow this.

Z511: So, the presentation will be done by the Unit Secretary only?

- Vice President:** Only for MSL this year.
It happens when delegation doesn't come up and the Unit Secretary does the presentation.
- Z210:** So, ANC non-qualified colleges will have a decent number of volunteers....
- President:** This time the council is hosting ANC all the volunteers will be from Headquarters. I have seen in Zone 2, people pin up Reubens in 10 minutes so I am pretty sure that they will prepare how to pin-up.
- Z211:** That happens because we have practised.
- President:** 10 minutes and 45 minutes. I don't know. Anyways there will be assistance or guidance, and the secretary is there. No change in time will be given.
- Advisor:** In the last year how many colleges have been disqualified for crossing 45 minutes. We haven't disqualified any college. We give considerations if the case is very serious. We have always given consideration
- Z211:** But this year it is given that no considerations will be given and strictly all rules will be followed and if any rule is broken then strictly, they will be disqualified.
- Advisor:** This is not even a problem.
- President:** You are talking about personal talks, let's not waste minutes.
- Secretary:** I would like to go back to the point. The unit council has to pay for the annual NASA convention. I know this is wrong since most of us have been Unit secretaries. But you must remember that this year it is different. This year the council is hosting the ANC.
If the fees of delegation for the council is such a big problem then you can get a sponsor of 15 lakhs and we can let go of this fee.
- Z520:** What are the constraints of this sponsor. I mean branding or the logo.
- Secretary:** We shared the sponsorship forum. There are a lot of constraints and we will let go of it this time. We can try next time. If it is coming good

without affecting our image then we can go with it.
For sponsorship please contact ZP 5 Dinesh.

Advisor: Did you guys get it? So, this time it is council hosted. So if you guys can get 15 lakhs for the whole GC then we can promise you that we can pull down these fees for you. If it goes more than 15 lakhs then it reduces delegation fees.

Z301: Regarding the Unit Designees' fees, in the convention the fees for delegation is 600 and the Unit Designee has to pay half of that. So, if we split that half into 200 and then divide by 1600 that is the number of delegates, then it comes to 2000 to 300 per delegate.

Advisor: Anyone wants to come.

Z214: It won't be a matter of 200 rupees to your college but even 6000 is very much for our college student. So even if you are thinking of splitting the designees fees it would be much more sensible for you to split it in your college. 200 rupees on each.

Advisor: I think sponsorship is the best solution. We need money some way or the other, if we don't get the money then the general council will have to pay.

Z214: If it is possible then a little bit of Unit Designees' money is added to the Usec money (fees).

Advisor: No, the GC agrees 15 lakhs. If they get it they waive it. So, the second option could be that. If you guys can promise 15 lakhs together, if not then splitting UD's fees into USec's also.

Z211: So, NASA has 2 itineraries. So, in the worst-case scenario, what will be it?

President: So, the amount that we mentioned to you guys. So, many worst-case scenarios are going in our heads. We would like to increase the number of delegates, but we will not want to use funds from NASA India. The fines are not prescribing where it has to be used. The registration fees are not prescribed where it has to be used. Subscription fees are written that it will go for trophy prize money and publication. So worst-case scenario that can be considered but we won't consider.

- Advisor:** Ok guys do the general council go with the first thing that I proposed.
- President:** Either way they are promising.
- Advisor:** Either it is from their pocket, or fill their pocket.
- Z214:** So, there is this suggestion there were sponsors in September and October, so when should they revert to you?
- President:** As soon as possible.
- Z214:** They can't promise whether they can get it or not.
- Advisor:** We are not sure whether we will get sponsors or not but we will need them because we need money.
- Z603:** As you said the whole GC collectively should get sponsorship. You guys get sponsorship from a lot of people.
- Advisor:** The general council cannot give money. We are asking you as USec and UDs, for the association try to get a sponsor. Forget about the college for some time. We are talking about the general council of NASA India. You guys can personally get sponsorships.
- Z603:** 15 lakhs is too much. So, one person cannot alone raise that much sponsorship.
- Zonal President 5:** I will be sharing a document which has different slabs. So, for different sponsorships, there are different slabs which you can go through. Only those slabs we need to get. If you get any custom slabs then you tell them to talk to us. So a good amount of it has been put into slabs already.
- Secretary:** He is talking about the minimum slab.
- Zonal President:** The minimum slab is 15 thousand.
- Z603:** So, if the unit is approaching for sponsorship can they send the mails from their mails.
- President:** No for that, you mail to the zonal council or the secretary or the treasure. Mail doesn't send them from your NASA ID let the council

send the mails. We do not want something to happen surrounding it. Hence.

Z609: Just imagine the case of the GC, if the council gets a sponsorship of 10 lakhs, how will it affect the delegation fees. Like even if one college gets it.

Advisor: See you have to understand that this is the council. It is not as if I will get only my zone and get a discount. This is for the entire association for the entire GC. All the USecs and Uds will get the benefit from it, not just your zone or college.

Zonal President 5: Then that's the approach then ask the sponsors to pay the delegation fees for your college.

Advisor: Yes.

President: Right now the money that comes from the UDs is 12 lakhs and that from the Usecs is 3 lakh. So, if we collectively get 3 lakhs then we can waive the Usec delegation fees.

Advisor: Fine quickly go with the decision and we will look at the budget.

President: I would like to remind again that this is the maximum budget that we have taken and we can remove unnecessary things from this.

Z502: This is a suggestion. The 15 lakhs if we can divide it into all the zones present here.

President: You guys are not understanding that this is not specific to zone or unit. This is for the whole general council.

Z502: Continuing the Zone 2 we can collectively with the zonal convener and we would assure you that we can get you a sponsorship.

Advisor: Nothing can be assured. You go to a firm and ask for sponsorship they give you 5 lakhs then it gets divided into all the units. See it becomes surplus. We need a target to achieve.

President: Each unit has a target of 15 lakhs. Each unit shall achieve it.

Secretary: The minimum for sponsorship is 50 thousand. Not less than that.

- Advisor:** See we want you guys to act like GC. If you guys want to act specifically like zone-specific this is completely against what we are proposing here. You have to act like a general council.
- Secretary:** We do not want you to aim for the min amount that this is the amount and that's it. Aim for the nation best. Aim for 15 lakhs
- Advisor:** We will give you the documents that give specifications
- Z520:** I think it is more of a question that all the Unit Secretaries send the brochures and someone by mistake sends it by personal email id.
- President:** Brochure is for public use only. It will get posted on social media also.
- Advisor:** Ok so we will go through the budget. We will go through each head and see if you guys find it unnecessary then we can remove it. Are you guys clear?
The first is the delegation kit. Do we need a delegation kit?
- Z520:** That bag thing. The book pen brochure and band is the necessity. The bag is not a necessity.
- Advisor:** You are saying that the bag is not the necessity?
- President:** The bag which you are saying is 70 rupees.
- Z535:** We could replace it with the file.
- Z520:** I think the delegates would want to take something from the convention considering that they have paid a considerable amount.
- Z521:** A band is a minimum enough. It is a souvenir for the convention.
- President:** Ok so we move on with a band and pen? Alright you
- Z214:** What we suggest is the band is necessary. The delegate kit is not necessary. We think of saying, are there shall be stalls where

personalized souvenirs for the 62nd year will be available and they can get them for personally.

Z105: There is a map. I think a PDF would be good. If it is allowed, we can share the map on the WhatsApp only

Z520: I think the delegation kit should be discussed. I think they expect something to take away from the convention.

Z214: The fee of the delegation is because of the food, the workshop and the accommodation it is not because of the delegation kit. I don't know how you mix them.

Zonal president 3: If we are talking about removing the delegation it is removing from this year's convention and not from every year's budget.

Advisor: What is to conclude here. Who wants a delegation kit and who doesn't?
Ok, the delegation kit will contain a book and band. Book with the brochure. It will contain the number of all the coordinators.

President: Cost? Maximum 50 rupees.

Public Relations: The booklet will contain the brochure itself. You don't have to carry it separately.

Advisor: Everybody is ok with the book and band.

Z105: I think there is no need for a book. As a souvenir, we make enough memories.

Vice President: The book is required for the scheduled printing, point of contact for people will be there. There will be pages for sponsors. If no book is there then these things can't be don't.

Secretary: All the necessary things need to be printed in the book.

Z304: I think we need bags because most of us are coming from long distances and we don't carry small bags. So, we need small bags to carry around the convention.

Advisor: I don't get what you need you to need a small book or a small bag.

- Z304:** No we need a book, bag and band.
- Advisor:** Ok we will put up merchandise to sell bags for whatever 50 – 60 whatever it was. They can buy it from there.
- Advisor:** So, time is less, we will do the voting. People in favour of -book and the band say aye. People against say nay.
Ok ayes are more.
Ok, the delegation will have a book and a band. We will not try to exceed 50 rupees.
Next is t-shirts for volunteers. This is just 28000. Do you guys want to discuss?
Ok architects' expenses, we do this every year. It includes travel, hospitality, food, keynote speakers for the convention. So, this is the same as last year. It won't cross the upper limit. I guess everyone is ok with it.
- Z518:** Do you guys have separate money for walkie talkie?
- Public Relations:** Yes.
- Z518:** Then what is this extra security money?
- Public Relations:** That is the security they will provide at the campus.
- Vice President:** During convention NASA will have private security. We will have police guarding the campus.
- Public Relations:** It will be 30000 for 4 days.
Since only 2 days the jury is happening, then we can arrange transport for them.
- President:** Workshop materials. The international delegates accommodation cannot be argued. If more money will be needed then they will pay.
Workshop materials. We have put 7 lakhs. What do you think should we reduce it?
We have used our best understanding of the budget. Do you guys have to say anything? Zonal conveners?
- Z520:** It is the number of workshops, is it the same as the number?
- President:** I don't know how many because we got the google form list and most of them are... Did you understand?

We are currently having 25 workshops with 10-12 each day. If we can accommodate more workshops then it is better.

Z535: I think I need clarification. Is the number of workshops and seminars happening for this convention Is the same as last year.

President: It will be the same propotional. It depends on the number of delegates.

Advisor: Your query is about the number of workshops. There is a 60:40 ratio.

President: We don't have the host college to give volunteers for us so we have to put our volunteers there. Also, this year the registration for workshops will be online before.

We are giving volunteer t-shirts for the volunteers. We are giving two t-shirts for volunteers who are arriving. I don't think we should have any problem with it. Is it ok? Anyone wants to say no.

Z520: This is regarding the T-shirts. I think 120 is a little less, it should be kept 150 at least.

President: The quote we got from Delhi is 90 – 120 so we put 120 here. Alright, we will keep decoration to the maximum.

Ok, so you guys want decoration on the entire campus.

No

Z520: The cutout for the annual NASA convention and the lighting that's all.

President: We have kept lighting to a minimum because the campus itself has a lot of lighting.

We will have sufficed lighting.

Next is the WC cubicle. I think it is very necessary

Z211: About the documentation one...

Advisor: I have said before also that documentation is important not just for the convention but for the students who come here they want to share with us whatever resources we have. For that purpose, documentation is necessary. And for publication and record purposes we have to do it. Alright everyone ok?

- President:** Alright then we alright the number of delegates we are suggesting for the ANC qualifiers is 25 including Unit secretaries. 25 should be enough for participating in all events. Last year we used to divide the Delegation amongst the colleges but we have seen that the ANC qualifiers tend to register for full Delegates. So, we want all 25 delegates registered in the first round itself. So 25 is the delegation number. Is that ok? Anybody has any problems.
- Z634:** In case 200 – 300 more delegates turn up. This budget is only for 1600 people. In that case, you will need extra of everything. How do you propose to include that in your budget?
- President:** Right so you are talking about the extra delegate that is more than 2000. So, the delegation fees will be such that the extra fees will be considered for the essential things like food and accommodation. So, we have calculated that if we get around 200 extra delegates then we can propose space for them. After more than 200 delegates we will have to propose extra money.
- Z210:** For ANC non-qualified members what are the criteria for delegates.
- Public Relations:** If the number of slots is not filled by the first round then.
- Z210:** But if there are more seats.
- President:** All the trophies that you have announced you have to register in the first round itself.
- Vice President:** No, no the ethos and cultural you have to do in the second stage. The shortlisting is not being announced that you have to do in the second stage.
- President:** Ok I am increasing the delegation to 26 including USec and UD. And the delegation fees will not cross 1500. Any other reduction in cost we will put it in NASA India account.
Ok, we will move on. Is 6000 delegation fees ok? Alright fine. Zone 1: pass, Zone 2: pass, Zone 3: pass, zone 4 pass, Zone 5: pass, Zone 6: passes.
Fine we will open zero-hours tomorrow.
We are not breaking, just this session is over.

5:17 PM

National Association of Students of Architecture, India

62nd ANC PRE-CON | 2019-20

EMBARK



62nd PRECONS MEET SUMMARY

Day 1 - 11th January

- Zonal reports were discussed and explained by Zonal Presidents
- General Council doubts about various doubts from all zones were discussed and cleared out.
- New approach to presenting zonal reports was suggested and discussed in depth.
- Zonal exchange program process was clarified
- Necessity of zonal council was discussed
- Collaborations were explained and GC doubts were cleared in regards to collaborations

Day 2 - 12th January

- IndianArch2020 host issue was discussed
 - Vandalism case discussed and a notion was passed after voting
 - The notion passed was *“in a proven case of vandalism, a minimum ban of 2 years shall be imposed after an allegation in the next General Body Meeting and maximum will be decided according to the severity.”*
 - ‘Achi Shots’ violation of agreement about Internship forum.
 - Plagiarism case discussed: No Decision
 - Form c: 1. Photograph issue was explained to GC, importance of formal photograph for the document was given. 2. Incorrect data upload issue 3. Inadequacy in filling basic data properly by usec.

- Form x filling errors explained by secretary and subscription fee payment errors explained by treasurer
- Zp's present zonal issues to the GC

Trophy Discussion begins

1. Reubens

- Stamp and sticker placement explained
- No NASA logo for Reubens as many colleges make this mistake
- Declaration letter procedure explained
- Multiple doubts from the GC in regards to pin up, sheet selection, etc were cleared by EC-ZC
- No one can say 'NO' to delegates taking pictures of work of different colleges as it defeats the purpose of Reubens trophy
- Units reworking on sheets discussed in depth
- Reubens should be reimagined was a point put forth

2. Louis I Kahn

- Basic doubts cleared

3. HUDCO

- Explained the postcard submission and cleared the GC doubts in regards to that
- Video doubts clarification

4. LBC

- General Submission guidelines

5. GRIHA

- No doubts

6. MSL

- No doubts

7. ETHOS

- Concern: Students not writing their name on portfolio

8. Industrial Design

- General Queries cleared by EC-ZC

- Release and submission date clarified

Day 3 - 13th January - ANC ARRANGEMENT AND BUDGET DISCUSSION

- Total event expense: 1 crore 70 lakhs

Council decided to put in 50-60 lakhs

Venue, food and accommodation (place cost) approximately 1 crore 25 Lakhs

Rest amount was used for miscellaneous purposes to have the event hosted as discussed in the budget proposed by the treasurer

The delegation fee decided for students : 6000/-

The delegation fee decided for faculty : 9000/-

- The amount put in by the council came from the fine collected from various units and also the new registered college registration fee

- The constitution doesn't state usage of fund for fine, registration fee so the council decided to use it for the event

- The subscription fee usage is mentioned and is used for trophy prize money and for publications

- The sponsorship structure was explained to the GC by zp5

- The budget heads were discussed and finalized

- The total delegation per unit decided: 26

- Total delegation aimed at 2000
- The vice president explained the registration process with dates:
 1. The first stage of registration closes on 17th January
 2. The second stage of registration opens on 20th January and closes on 24th January. The registration of MSL and cultural have to be done in this stage itself.
 3. The transportation form opens on 25th January
 4. The third stage of registration opens on 27th January and closes on 29th January
 5. Workshop registration stays open from 30th to 31st January