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Attendance

ZONE 1

Z101, Z103, Z104, Z105, Z107, Z108, Z109, Z110, Z113, Z114, Z116, Z117, Z118, Z122, Z123, Z125, Z126, Z129, Z135, Z140, Z141, Z145, Z147, Z150, Z151, Z153, Z157, Z161, Z164, Z169, Z177, Z178, Z181, Z183, Z186, Z187, Z188, Z189, Z191

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ZONE 3

Z301, Z302, Z303, Z304, Z305, Z306, Z310, Z312, Z313, Z314, Z315, Z319, Z320, Z324, Z327, Z329, Z330, Z341, Z342, Z351, Z354, Z360, Z362

ZONE 4

Z401, Z402, Z403, Z404, Z410, Z411, Z412, Z421, Z424, Z427, Z431, Z432, Z434, Z441, Z444, Z447, Z449

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Z501, Z502, Z504, Z505, Z506, Z508, Z509, Z510, Z511, Z512, Z514, Z515, Z516, Z518, Z519, Z520, Z521, Z523, Z529, Z531, Z532, Z533, Z535, Z536, Z540, Z541, Z546, Z551, Z555, Z560, Z562, Z565

ZONE 6

Z601, Z602, Z603, Z604, Z605, Z609, Z610, Z612, Z615, Z616, Z619, Z622, Z629, Z630, Z634, Z640, Z641, Z643, Z644, Z646, Z649, Z652, Z654, Z662, Z674, Z681, Z682, Z686, Z689, Z690, Z698

1. **Inaugural Session & End Term Report (6:35 PM – 8:25 PM)**
   1.1. The session began with the Inauguration and an Introduction of the 68th Year Council by the National Advisor.
   1.2. Introduction of the 68th Year Zonal Council **(ZP5, ZP4, ZP3, ZP2)** and
   1.3. The Executive Council **(PH, TH, TRE, VP, SEC, PRE)**
   1.4. The National Secretary introduced the 68th Year **Treasurer Designee**.
   1.5. The **67th Year-End Term Report** was presented by the National Advisor, Evanthika Pereira.
      1.5.1. The 67th Year Theme was **'EXCLAIM'**.
   1.6. 67th Year Council achievements included, but not limited to
      1.6.1. The NASA India website redesign for more than 5 webpages.
      1.6.2. Introduction & Smooth execution of new trophies, namely the Short Film Trophy, moderated by Ar.Rohan Shivkumar & Adaptive Reuse Trophy in collaboration with Carnegie Mellon University, Chicago.
      1.6.3. Reintroduction of the Reubens Trophy.
      1.6.4. The NASA India Research Conference was introduced & moderated by Ar.Bijoy Ramachandhran and was gladly being executed in the 68th Year FGBM, due to the Geopolitical reasons being an impediment in the previous tenure.
      1.6.5. New Scholarships based collaborations with an income of ₹1,50,000 for the Christopher Charles Benninger Gold Medal and ₹10,00,000 for Scholarships in collaboration with the Council of Architecture, India.
   1.7. The **68th Year Theme** was introduced as **'CATALYSE'**.
   1.8. A **Networking Session** was conducted across four sets: Shark Tank (VP and TH), Financial Workshop (TRE), Programs (PH), and Human Resources (PRE).

2. **Executive Council Feedback & Election Announcement (8:26 PM – 9:11 PM)**
   2.1. Posts for the vacancies of **Zonal Presidents of Zone 1 and Zone 6** were opened by the Election Committee.
   2.2. A "Spin the Wheel" critique session was conducted on NASA India's functioning. Key critiques and suggestions included:

2.2.1. **Programs:** Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities require more organisation. More seats should be allotted for programs (Z123).

2.2.2. **Trophies:** Noted inactivity, especially from 2nd and 3rd-year students (Z263). Suggested having smaller scale/zonal-level trophies (Z314).

2.2.3. **NASA India:** Noted a faculty perception that NASA is "all about trophies and programs," suggesting better circulation of information (Z512).

2.2.4. **LIK:** Concern raised about programs scheduled during winter/summer breaks and a suggestion to prioritise quality over quantity (Z603 & Z601).

2.3. The PH and ADV responded, confirming publications are being worked on and clarifying that **LIK aims for a holistic understanding**.

3. Zonal Agenda Presentations (10:30 PM – 12:29 AM)

3.1. Zonal President Zone 3

3.1.1. **ZP3- Zone** 3 is a **highly concentrated zone of 40 units** known for its **strong connectivity** and **collaborative culture**. The main challenges include uneven unit engagement (with some units being dormant) and management issues due to unsynchronised college schedules. Despite this, the zone implemented successful initiatives like the **Abhivyakti HOD talk series** and executed **13 NEXUS events**.

3.1.2. **Z310** asked ZP3 what had been planned to address uneven unit engagement. The ZP proposed: No categorisation of chapters, every Friday roundup for accountability, and encouraging digital documentation for visible participation.

3.1.3. **Z302** asked for an update regarding the organisation of a ZNC. No bid had been received from any unit at the time of the meeting.

3.1.4. **Z360** asked about the plan for the Archi Olympics. ZP3 replied that no Zonal Archi Olympics would be held, as every unit is deemed to have its own internal sports event (a point noted as an omission from the 67th Year AGBM agenda).

3.1.5. **VP** asked for the updates regarding the school visits. ZP3 confirmed completion of 10 school visits and 5 exhibitions, including a detailed 45min – 1hr presentation on the scope of architecture in the tenure.

3.1.6. ADV gave feedback on the low participation of the zone in trophies. ZP3 acknowledged the low participation in the HUDCO Trophy and LIK programs and mentioned that she shall strategise them for the future tenure.

3.1.7. **PRE** Feedback:

    3.1.7.1. The agenda requires more detailed elaboration, including the expected number of college visits.

    3.1.7.2. Clear proposals for new initiatives in the zone are missing.

    3.1.7.3. No structured roadmap for trophies has been presented in the PPT.

    3.1.7.4. The agenda appears to be a continuation of previous work without new real-time solutions to existing challenges.

    3.1.7.5. Numerical data and factual figures are missing.

    3.1.7.6. The Abhivyakti initiative lacks a defined roadmap.

    3.1.7.7. There is excessive nomenclature within the zone structure.

    3.1.7.8. A minimum expectation of 20 HOD calls and 10 physical visits was suggested.

3.2. **Zonal President Zone 4**

3.2.1. Zone 4 (ZP: Anubhav Roy Sarker) is **geographically vast**, spanning **16 States** with **35 units**. Programs executed in the zone include The Insider - Edition 13: Open to Sky Architects and Louis I. Kahn Documentation Program - Edition 12: Kolkata. The zone's major new focus is **Architect of the Time (AOTT)**, a formal, city-based event designed to engage external stakeholders. The **68th Year ZCM was held online** due to logistics, and the zone is planning a **ZNC 4** for the first week of January 2026 to foster internal unity.

3.2.2. **Z421** asked the Basis of the ZP visits. ZP4 replied, Unit selection for ZP visits was determined by Analysing unit reports to target those most in need of support or engagement.

3.2.3. **Z403** asked about the difference between AOTT and NEXUS. ZP4 answered that the difference is in scale and formality; NEXUS events are informal and unit-centric, while AOTT is formal and city-wide.

3.2.4. **Z432** asked for the plan for exhibition execution. ZP4 replied that exhibitions should be integrated with masterclasses or workshops, not done separately, maximising audience and resource efficiency.

3.2.5. **Z315** asked ZP4 how you plan to cater for the diversity in the Zone. ZP4 replied, considering it a Strength as the vast cultural representation is a key asset, and the zone is united despite backgrounds during major events.

3.2.6. **ADV** continued and asked regarding the North-East participation in Zone ZP4. A focus on arranging workshops, NEXUS, and programs for North Eastern units was highlighted, acknowledging that two colleges are interested but lack the necessary management support.

3.2.7. TH asked whether there is any impact after the ZP visits. ZP4 replied, Unit visits proved effective, leading to a better understanding of communication gaps and resulting in increased participation, particularly in LIK Kolkata

3.2.8. The Advisor also stated to be accountable for the agenda items that were omitted from our past AGBM agenda for the GC to know.

3.2.9. LIK Kolkata Documentation presentation/ launch

3.2.10. LIK Goa Video Output presentation.

3.2.11. **PRE-**

3.2.11.1. Momentum is held by you, and the zone is felt to be on your side and supportive of you.

3.2.11.2. More clarity is needed regarding Committees and Commitments, specifically concerning what is expected during the tenure as the Podcast committee co-chair.

3.2.11.3. The documentation of LIK Kolkata has been well-organised; it is considered the fastest documentation seen in the Council so far (as is also the case for LIK Goa).

3.2.11.4. IIT visits should be conducted, and the reply given to the question in the meeting was well-received.

3.2.11.5. AOTT can be included as part of ZNC itself; it should not be added to the nomenclature in the zone.

4. Day End Announcements & Adjournment (12:29 AM)

4.1. **Membership Bids** were announced for three colleges: **Z103 (Chandigarh), Z441 (VSSUT), and Z690 (VIT Vellore)**.

4.2. A **deadline extension to 8:00 AM** was given for units to fill out the form for collecting **67th Year certificates, medals, or publications** (noted as the last opportunity).

4.3. The meeting was formally adjourned, and members were advised to be present by **8:45 AM** for the GBM Day 2 agenda.

Day 2 - 10 October,2025

Continuation of Day 1 Agenda (10:25 AM – 1:07 PM)

5. General Council Discussion: "What NASA India Should Do Next" (10:25 AM)

5.1. **Z310 USEC** - Focus on International collaborations and Student Exchange Programs.

5.2. **Z511 UD** - Introduce One Basic Trophy for minimum involvement of F.Y/S.Y students.

5.3. **Z121 USEC** - Incorporate Social Sciences into Architecture and promote research via NIRC.

5.4. **Z622 UD** - Increase School Programs for the promotion of Architecture.

5.5. **Z362 USEC** - Initiate efforts to spread Architecture Awareness in Rural India to boost admissions.

5.6. **Z562 USEC** - Re-educate students on Trophies at the start of the year (posts, stories, reels).

5.7. **Z360 USEC** - Expand the association to include other fraternities like Fine Arts and Diploma in Architecture.

5.8. **Z116 USEC** - Introduce a small-scale trophy like Mini ANDC (Model Making).

5.9. **Z103 UD** - Increase Networking opportunities beyond conventions and enable student collaborations from various units on trophies.

5.10. **Z404 USEC** - Initiate Career Counselling for Masters after B.Arch.

5.11. **Z444 UD** - Open Nexus Events to other fraternities and non-associated colleges.

5.12. **Z609 UD** - Develop a NASA India App for student networking.

5.13. **Z622 UD** - Introduce Clubs for various activities, not limited to committees.

5.14. **Z449 USEC** - Host Workshops on AI as an asset to the architectural fraternity.

5.15. **Z205 UD** - Host a Trophy for Architects/Architectural Firms (PRE responded that this could reduce student involvement).

5.16. **Z611 UD** - Offer more Summer Winter School (SWS) Programs with certificates.

5.17. **Z108 USEC** - Organise workshops based on diverse career paths (Set Design, Architectural Journalism, UI/UX).

6. Audit Discussion and Approval (11:06 AM)

6.1. Subscription Fee Collection and Defaulters Issue:

6.2. **ADV** reported a noticeable drop in subscription fee collections between the 66th and 67th Years. Units were requested to provide updates on all unpaid 67th Year fees.

6.3. Defaulters Noted:

6.3.1. Colleges (**Z183, Z330, Z341, Z212, Z264, Z259, Z521**): Cited issues like management problems or recent changes in HOD/Dean as reasons for non-payment.

6.3.2. College **Z630**: Paid the fees but failed to upload the required challan/proof of payment.

6.4. Proposed Action for Defaulters

6.4.1. **TH** - Withhold perks/prize money from defaulting colleges.

6.4.2. **ZP2** - Degrade colleges after a continuous period of three years of non-payment.

6.5. Audit Queries and Clarifications

6.5.1. GC raised several queries regarding the 67th Year financial statements:

6.5.2. Expense Breakdowns: Requested detailed breakdowns for Travelling, Lodging & Boarding expenses.

6.5.3. High Merchandise Expense: Noted the high cost, which was attributed to the cancellation of the ANC event.

6.5.4. Council and Website Costs: Requested clarification on Council expenses and Website maintenance costs.

6.5.5. Prize Money Discrepancy: SEC clarified that the difference in prize money between the 66th and 67th Year was due to delays in fund release by some collaborators.

7. **Surprise Launch & ANC Bids (12:35 PM)**

7.1.1. **Surprise Launch (12:35 PM):** TRE announced the launch of the **NISF (NASA India Scholarship Fund)** for the 68th Year, in collaboration with COA, with **10 Lakhs** to be awarded to **10 students**.

7.1.2. **ANC Bids (12:56 PM):** ADV invited Expressions of Interest (EOI) for hosting the ANC for the 68th, 69th, or 70th Year. Several colleges expressed interest but mentioned institutional support issues.

7.1.3. Adjournment (1:07 PM): Session 1 was adjourned for the lunch break.

Day 2 Session 2: Disciplinary Action & Zonal Agenda (3:17 PM – 5:30 PM)

8. **Discussion on Bid Withdrawal (3:17 PM)**

8.1. **SEC** opened the discussion on units backing off from hosting bids, especially the one that backed off from FGBM, causing delays.

8.2. **Suggestions for Action Against Defaulter Bidders:**

8.2.1. **Z360 USEC:** Unit cannot apply for any other Bids for the **next 2-3 years**.

8.2.2. **Z515 USEC:** College should **pay for the Money Loss** (travel, inspection, etc.).

8.2.3. **Z302 USEC: Financial Compensation** and potential **Membership Bid restriction** for some years.

8.2.4. **Z362 UD:** Suggested a formal **Agreement** (MOU was meant to be signed after inspection).

8.2.5. **Z622 USEC:** College can be **banned from participating in Conventions**. PRE questioned why students should suffer for the management's fault.

8.2.6. **Z515 UD:** Restrict the Unit from Hosting Nexus Events; suggested **Degrading the College from Membership to Observership, or Visitor.**

8.2.7. **Z360 USEC:** Degrading is too harsh; suggested banning them from Events.

8.3. **Specific Case - Z435:** PRE announced Z435 backed off for the third time (including ZNC bid last year).

8.3.1. **Z435 USEC (Online, 3:52 PM):** Apologised, citing **Miscommunication** and the **Management** telling them to withdraw the Bid at the last moment. Agreed, the fault was the **Unit's Management**.

8.4. **TRE** noted a **Loss of ₹12,000** to the Association due to ticket cancellations.

8.5. **Final Decision (ADV and PRE):**

8.5.1. A **Monetary Fine** will be charged to Z435.

8.5.2. **Z435 shall not be eligible to place bids for a period of three years.**

8.6. The Unit Council was **in favour** of the decision

9. **Zonal President Zone 5 Agenda (4:04 PM)**

9.1. **Z511 USEC** stated that there were not enough 4th- and 5th-year students engaging with Nexus events, focusing on Nexus that caters to all 5 years.

9.2. **(Z511 USEC, Z520 UD, Z515 USEC, ZP4):** Heavily questioned on the difference between Exhibitions and ZNC, the loss of zone-wide gathering, and whether past ZNCs were too focused on "fun" (ZP5 agreed, citing host colleges focusing on Culturals), ZP5 also proposed that Exhibitions could be cheaper.

9.3. **Z532** suggested focusing on increasing quality, ensuring every student can access the event from all units. Suggested Good and Engaging Keynote Speakers and Panel Discussions.

9.4. **Z504** asked for plans for global exposure. ZP5 replied, Planning for Global Nexus Events open to all.

9.5. **ZP2** asked what you plan for inactive colleges. ZP5 replied will physically visit the colleges and speak to the management.

9.6. **Z533** asked regarding the talk series. ZP5 replied, Planning 2-3 Talk Series at a single time for first year to final years, asked for topic elaboration (ZP5 said ideation was still pending).

9.7. **(Z360, Z403, Z310 USEC):** Questions on why Inktober stories/NASA Day Reels were not posted/reposted on @mynasaindia. ZP5 said only private accounts' stories were not reposted.

9.8. **Z403 USEC, Z432 USEC** asked regarding the plans for Nexus. ZP replied, aiming for 25 Nexus Events compared to 30+ nexus event in the 66th Year. Types include Formal/Informal/Community Nexus and have started with Heritage walk, Origami and painting workshops, Hands on workshops.

9.9. **ZP4** suggested that exhibitions would not be effective if they only lasted for one to two days.

9.10. **ZP4** questioned why ZNCs and exhibitions cannot be held together; ZP5 proposed giving ZNC a break to allow for better ideation.

9.11. **Z520 USEC** asked why people would attend ZNCs if workshops lack footfall; ZP5 argued that exhibitions are more affordable, specifically for underprivileged students.

9.12. **ZP4** inquired about new YouTube initiatives; ZP5 proposed a 30-minute "Archade" version with one video released every month.

9.13. **ADV** requested clarification on what was ideated; ZP5 specified that the ideation covered Nexus events, exhibitions, and NASA Day celebrations.

9.14. **ADV** questioned what new actions could be taken in Zone 5 beyond what was done in the last two tenures.

9.15. **TH** asked for the timeline of the Photography Challenge; ZP5 confirmed it would begin in December.

9.16. **TH** asked why the CPK Trophy's Winner's Way had not occurred; ZP5 replied that it would take place after the FGBM.

9.17. **SEC** raised questions regarding the moderators for the Talk Series, the agenda for the YouTube committee, and the roadmap for content.

9.18. **PH** asked about ZP5's specific role during the Elev8 event in Bangalore

9.19. **PRE**-

    9.19.1. Many errors have not been changed after suggestions from the EC members.

    9.19.2. Many things are not reciprocated in the ZP5 Agenda discussed in ZCM zone5. Please Improvise

Day 2 Session 3: Membership Bids & PH Report (6:30 PM – 1:34 AM)

10. Membership Bids (6:30 PM)

10.1. **Z103 (Chandigarh College of Architecture - CCA) (6:30 PM)**

    10.1.1. **Inactivity:** Inactivity due to Covid and change of management; now back with management and student support.

    10.1.2. **Contribution:** College-oriented programs can be **extended to students associated with NASA India.**

    10.1.3. **Student Enthusiasm: 1st and 2nd years are the most enthusiastic.**

    10.1.4. **CCA History:** ADV queried if CCA is a founding college; the Unit Secretary stated not a founding college in response.

    10.1.5. **EC/ZC Questions:** Asked why the subscription fee was paid late (Jan 31st, 2025), why membership is necessary, and about the college's core vision alignment. Also, Audit for ZCM 1 for the 67th Year was asked.

10.2. **Z441 (Veer Surendra Sai University of Technology - VSSUT) (7:15 PM)**

    10.2.1. **Activity:** Active in **trophies but not in Nexus events** (due to exams). Planning a nexus in Jan 2026.

    10.2.2. **Event Hosting:** No large-scale NASA event has been hosted yet.

    10.2.3. **Participation:** Low participation (around 5/6 students) in the NASA India trophies.

    10.2.4. **Internal Roles:** USEC is 4th year, and UD is 3rd year. *SEC and ADV suggested changing this per the constitution.*

    10.2.5. **EC/ZC Questions:** Asked why, despite a big campus, participation is

limited to Trophies and ZNC, and if non-membership would decrease student participation.

    10.3. **Z690 (Vellore Institute of Technology, Vellore) (8:09 PM)**

        10.3.1. **Activity:** First **USEC** was key in motivation; managed to get a citation.

        10.3.2. **Management Support:** Management is supportive and **open to hosting larger events**.

        10.3.3. **Membership Need:** Membership would allow them to **stand/vote in elections** and serve as a **reward** for the college.

        10.3.4. **Future Bids:** Planning to **stand for elections for the 69th Year**.

11. Programs Head (PH) Office Report (8:40 PM)

    11.1. **Z177 USEC** asked why the Mizoram Documentation Program certificates weren't issued for the participants. PH replied that they will be issued once the publication is completed and only to those delegates who contributed to it.

    11.2. **Z206 USEC** asked What are pilot programs? PH replied They are trial programs, starting on a small scale and then extending to a larger scale.

    11.3. **Z214 USEC** asked What are the benefits of Insiders? How many are planned this year? PH replied Students will be interacting with professionals, learning new ways of work and how the real world works. They are planning 1-2 Insiders per zone.

    11.4. **Z108 USEC** asked How will you make sure the event won't be cancelled, as it happened previously? PH said we can try to get someone from the team who has worked on the project, but we are not in a position to formally demand this because a person needs to be available.

    11.5. **Z116 USEC** asked What are the other programs they are planning apart from LIK? PH replied Online and Offline Summer Winter School Programs are being planned. GRIHA programs won't be continued this year due to past mishaps and because they were done twice.

12. GBT (Green Building Tour) Program Discussion

    12.1. **PRE** asked the General Council (GC) if NASA India should continue the GBT program.

    12.2. **PH** stated that the registrations received were twice the given number,

with half of them being A.I. generated.

12.3. **PH** asked the GC if it is fair for NASA India students to pay ₹500 while some colleges receive free coupons to attend the event.

12.4. **Z603 USEC** asked for the reason for giving out free coupons. PRE answered that this was done to attract additional students.

12.5. **Z214** asked if GRIHA would be completely discontinued from being a part of NASA if GBT is removed.

12.6. Student Feedback: Z268 **USEC** and Z224 **USEC** shared experiences, stating it felt unfair that some students paid while others went for free, and noted the collaborators didn't have proper data on NASA India students.

12.7. Conclusion: **TRE & PRE** stated that since it was done twice and concerns were raised (including in the 67th Year IGBM, as noted by VP), GBT programs may not continue anymore. Z404 **USEC** agreed with the EC's view. ADV stressed that NASA India must maintain the upper hand with collaborators.

Session 3 adjourned for Dinner at 9:50 PM.

Day 2 Session 4: Programs and ZP2 Agenda (11:15 PM)

13.   GBT and Programs Follow-up (11:15 PM)

13.1. Z310 USEC inquired about the tentative timeline for upcoming programs.
   PH noted the query; no immediate timeline was provided.

13.2. Z305 USEC asked about the focus on Architectural Journalism.
   PH clarified that the emphasis would shift toward video documentation in the form of short films.

13.3. Z360 USEC questioned the cancellation of the 67th Year Bali Workshop (International Program) due to low participation.
   PH noted the query for review.

13.4. Z504 USEC suggested introducing additional incentives for the LIK Karaikudi program publication.
   PH, with PRE and SEC, clarified that certificates already serve as the designated incentive.

13.5. Z312 USEC questioned students' approach toward purchasing

merchandise in LIK programs.

PH stated that approximately 90% of delegates purchased merchandise during the 67th Year LIK programs.

13.6.   Z501 USEC highlighted the short interval between LIK Kolkata and LIK Goa and raised concerns regarding accommodation arrangements, washroom sharing, and student preference between drafting and photography.

The query was noted.

PH responded that program dates were allocated based on zonal availability.

13.7.   Z512 UD asked whether additional incentives could be provided for Summer Winter School (SWS) programs.

PRE and SEC reiterated that certificates currently serve as the official incentive.

13.8.   PH informed the Council that registrations for LIK Goa had been extended.

Z177 USEC reported that the registration form did not accept entries during the extended period.

SEC clarified that a technical glitch may have temporarily restricted access and questioned why the issue had not been escalated to the Council earlier.

13.9.   Z403 USEC asked about NASA India's role as the Point of Contact (POC) for ELEV8.

It was clarified that NASA India contributed through volunteers, emcees, and panel participation at the Bengaluru event.

13.10. Z601 USEC inquired about International Summer Winter School programs.

The Council responded that discussions with potential collaborators are currently underway.

13.11. Z360 USEC suggested extending registration timelines for programs.
Suggestion noted.

13.12. Z511 USEC proposed introducing additional online software-based SWS programs.
Suggestion noted.

13.13.　ZP3 asked about increasing participant intake in programs.
　　　　PH stated that expansion may be possible, subject to feasibility.

13.14.　ZP4 emphasised the need for hosting programs in the North-East region.
　　　　Suggestion noted.
　　　　PH requested support from ZPs and USECs in identifying opportunities and venues.

13.15.　ZP3 requested a detailed plan of action for the LIK program.
　　　　Suggestion noted.

13.16.　TH raised a concern regarding social media outreach, questioning whether program announcements should be spaced out instead of being released in quick succession.
　　　　PH stated this could be structured accordingly.
　　　　VP added that adequate time must be provided between announcements to ensure sufficient registration response.

13.17.　TRE questioned whether delegation fees for online programs should be revised and indicated a potential revised amount.
　　　　PH stated that such decisions would require consultation with ZPs and USECs.Query noted.

13.18.　**PRE Remarks**

13.18.1.　The queries raised by the General Council regarding the *Insiders* program have been duly noted and are expected to be addressed in the upcoming second release.

13.18.2.　With respect to the Online Summer Winter School (SWS), it was observed that the initiative should ideally have been completed by this stage. However, it was agreed that the current progress and available outputs should first be reviewed before proceeding further.

13.18.3.　It was suggested that one to two additional evaluative or structural factors may be introduced and tested across programs to enhance effectiveness and accountability.

13.18.4.　The PRE requested a clear update and a structured roadmap for international programs moving forward.

14.　Audit for 67th AGBM

14.1.　**Presenter:** Z212 AGBM coordinator.

14.2. **Queries:**

14.2.1. **Z515 UD:** Asked who bears the losses of any event.

14.2.2. **Z512 UD:** Questioned the reason for the **difference in the budget** (Z212: due to a lesser number of delegates).

14.3. **Council Feedback:** SEC, PRE, and ADV praised the smoothness of the AGBM, volunteer efforts, transport ease, publications, and YouTube live views.

14.4. **ANC Budget:** SEC and ADV clarified that there would **not be any allocated budget from NASA India** for ANC; it would be covered by the **delegation fee**.

14.5. **AGBM Audit Report Approval (12:21 AM, 11th October 2025):**

14.5.1. **Audit Passed:** Z502 USEC.

14.5.2. **Audit Seconded:** Z206 USEC.

15. **Zonal President Zone 2 Agenda (12:30 AM)**

15.1. **Z214 USEC, Z206 USEC** asked to improve interaction between zones and noted the lack of round-ups in Zone 2. ZP2 replied that it should be tackled through Nexus events and round-ups.

15.2. **Z501** suggested having short-form content and video podcasts on YouTube.

15.3. **Z206 UD** suggested a tie-dye workshop

15.4. **Z444 USEC** suggested merchandise on e-commerce platforms

15.5. **ZP4** asked about the roadmap and locations for exhibitions in locations like Mumbai, Ahmedabad, and Bhopal. ZP5 questioned how a good footfall can be gathered and about collaborations with art centres.

15.6. **TH** asked about ZP2 contributions till now. VP noted that conducting events is primarily the USEC's job role. SEC asked what specifically is lacking in the zone. PRE requested commitment to more participation and noted the need for graphical and statistical representation in the PPT. ZP2 mentioned visiting a few non-associated colleges with PRE and VP.

15.7. **PRE Remarks:**

15.7.1. The presentation did not include adequate statistical representation or graphical data to substantiate the zone's performance, participation levels, and engagement metrics. Greater numerical

clarity and data-backed reporting are required in future submissions.

15.7.2.   The statistics and documented outcomes of the Mumbai Collaboration Meet were not presented. Considering that structured documentation and graphical representation had been discussed extensively over the past month, the Council expected a comprehensive report outlining the proceedings, participation data, and measurable impact of the Mumbai Collaborator Meet.

15.7.3.   The commitment to three standalone exhibitions was considered unrealistic at this stage. It was advised to limit the commitment to one standalone exhibition, ensuring structured planning, proper execution, and measurable impact.

15.7.4.   A clearly defined and structured agenda for the YouTube Committee is required, including specific deliverables, a timeline of execution, a content strategy, and expected outputs.

16.   Adjournment (1:34 AM)

16.1.   ZP1/ZP6 EOI (1:32 AM): ADV declared that there were no Expressions of Interest for ZP1 and ZP6.

16.2.   Adjournment (1:34 AM): PRE adjourned the meeting for the day.

16.3.   This document is the requested detailed summary of the meeting, including all ZIDs and specific details, with the links removed as requested.

Day 3 - 11 October,2025 (Post NIRC)

17.   Opening & Council Announcements (8:05 PM – 8:12 PM)

17.1.   **ZP Vacancy-** The National Advisor (ADV) announced that the Zonal President (ZP) posts for Zone 1 and Zone 6 will be vacant for the year, as no eligible nominations were received by the deadline. Z674 sent EOI but did not receive any nominations. ADV: Announced the vacancies. National Secretary (SEC): Will handle the vacant posts.

17.2.   **NIRC Feedback-** The Vice President (VP) presented at the NASA India Research Conference (NIRC). General Council (GC) feedback was positive.Z362, Z603: Noted the value of NIRC in pushing students

towards research.

18. Vice President's Vision for 68th Year (8:13 PM – 9:28 PM)

18.1. Core Mission-Transforming NASA India from solely an academic association into one that offers privileges to associated colleges.

18.2. Global Summit-Collaboration with 5+ Global Associations (CASA-ACEA, SONA, EASA, RIBA, AIAS) to host a Global Summit at the 68th Year Annual National Convention (ANC).

18.3. Career Fair-Hosting a career fair at the 68th Year ANC with a focus on mass hiring programs and an internship roadmap for winners.

18.4. Digital Archives-Creating a comprehensive digital archive on the website to document every person, college, and architect involved in NASA India activities, serving as verifiable proof of participation.

18.5. Commitments/Partnerships-Committees established for Marketing, Trophy Sponsorship, CSR Funds, and ANC Event. Commitments include NIRC, official LinkedIn presence, LIXIL Grohe mentorship, and publications.

19. Surprise Launches (8:23 PM)

19.1. Revamped NASA India Website-A video teaser and demonstration showed revamped pages for Programs, Media, TPS (Thought Paper Scissors), and Publications.

19.2. Student Dashboard-Launched as an official CV/Digital Archive for students. It auto-generates data on trophy/program participation (added by NASA) and allows students to input "other participation" details.

19.3. New Features-Publications are now available for sale on the website. TPS (Thought Paper Scissors) is now the digital archive/platform for articles. A "My NASA India Story" section for sharing experiences was introduced.

20. Website Q&A and Data Management (8:36 PM – 9:28 PM)

20.1. **Z205 UD** inquired about the removal of the sheet download option that was previously available.

   VP clarified that the feature was removed due to plagiarism concerns.

20.2. **Z206 USEC** asked when programs would be updated on the website calendar.

VP responded that programs would be updated immediately upon official release.

20.3. **Z206 USEC** asked who would be eligible to participate in the Global Summit.

VP stated that participation would likely include Global Leaders and active USECs, subject to final confirmation.

20.4. **Z205 UD** raised concerns regarding buffering and loading issues on the website.

VP explained that the lag is due to extensive backend data storage, particularly large attachments. To address this, older attachments will be removed. Data from the past two years will be retained, while older data will be deleted. USECs were advised to download any necessary records in advance.

20.5. **Z205 UD** asked whether the platform is accessible via mobile devices.

VP clarified that the website is currently optimised for desktop use only.

20.6. **Z523** expressed concern regarding the deletion of past data and questioned the long-term archival strategy.

VP stated that removing older data is the most feasible solution at present, and alternative options were not financially viable. A notice period of 10 days would be provided for downloading the required sheets.

PRE added that reducing stored data would significantly improve website performance and recommended that units store their data in their respective ZID drives.

ADV supported the PRE's recommendation and reminded USECs that 35 GB of storage has been allocated per drive for record maintenance.

20.7. **Z310 USEC** asked who would be responsible for updating the Student Dashboard.

VP clarified that trophies and program participation details would be auto-generated by NASA India, while students would be required to input additional participation details.

20.8. **Z206 USEC** questioned what content would remain in the archives if attachments were removed.

VP clarified that TPS (Thought Paper Scissors) articles would remain as part of the archive, primarily in text-based format, while large attachments would be removed.

21. Late Night Session & VP Final Q&A (11:39 PM – 12:30 AM)

21.1. Conduct Issue (11:39 PM)

21.1.1. A concern was raised regarding a female delegate (Z5xx) who reported late and was informed by a host college volunteer. During the interaction, the delegate was reported to have used inappropriate language toward the volunteer.

21.1.2. The **SEC and PRE** addressed the matter and reiterated the importance of maintaining decorum, professionalism, and respect toward volunteers and organising members. A formal warning was issued, and delegates were reminded to remain mindful of their conduct throughout the event.

21.2. VP Q&A and Council Advice (11:52 PM)

21.2.1. **Z217 USEC** asked the question about international goals and what is stopping NASA India from "booming internationally". VP stated they are starting now with the Global Summit.

21.2.2. **PRE** Provided context on storage limitations and clarified that while they are ambitious, they cannot afford ₹2 lakh for website storage and must continue using ZID Drives for data backup.

21.2.3. **ADV** & **PRE**: Provided the joint advice on prioritization also advised to focus heavily on the Global Summit first, potentially using an online/hybrid model to manage logistics. Delegate work for the Career Fair and Exhibition (to ZPs) and prioritise the Website update, as that requires the most immediate work.

21.2.4. **GC** provided feedback on the website UI, including issues with yellow text on a white background and unclear pictures/posters.VP acknowledged the feedback and stated the team is actively working on resolving issues, including ensuring font harmony.

21.2.5. **Z232 USEC** suggested the Form C save-and-edit feature. VP agreed to look into the save-and-edit feature for Form C.

21.2.6. **ZP3** asked for plans for LinkedIn & Outreach. How will you leverage the platform to help council visibility? VP replied it will be a platform not to update but to connect.

21.2.7. **Z512** asked a question regarding CPK, but the Queries set is still not out. TH replied we have tried contacting CPK for the queries set multiple times but they are not responding to the email . As soon as CPK release the query set, it will be emailed

21.2.8. **ZP3** asked the VP about articles getting published by sites like arch daily or any other websites. VP replied he tried to connect with arch daily, but they have articles about built projects so they will not be able to help us. So we tried to integrate the article section in the NASA India website itself.

21.2.9. **Z314UD** asked for proof of CV by NASA Affiliation VP replied watermark behind the document.

21.2.10. **Z314UD** asked if we delete the data of the past year , will it help in cost cutting for the website.VP replied no, it will not be helpful for cost cutting. But it will surely be helpful for the future council as they won't have to spend money on storage and repeat the process every year .

22. National Treasurer's Agenda and Budget (10:12 AM – 1:13 PM)

Monetary Working and Agenda (10:12 AM – 10:53 AM)

22.1. The National Treasurer (TRE) presented an overview of NASA India's financial structure and the 68th Year Agenda.

22.2. NASA India manages 4 bank accounts, including the FCRA account for foreign contributions. The TRE stressed the strict government scrutiny of FCRA accounts.

22.3. The association holds 12A and 80G certificates for tax exemption, requiring NASA to spend at least 85% of its income annually (NASA spent 98.13% in the 67th Year). Remaining funds are carried over to the next tenure.

22.4. Fee increased by ₹50 (Member: ₹150, Observer: ₹200) for the 68th Year, passed in the 67th Year.

22.5. To fund the website upgrade, relaunch the Reuben's Trophy (₹3 lakh prize), increase DET pay by 25%, and host international keynote speakers/exhibitions.

22.6. Release: October 14th; First Payment Deadline: November 30th. Late payments incur a 10% monthly fine.

22.7. Collecting and digitising hand-drawn LIK sheets from older years (TRE approached multiple colleges for this).

22.8. An online portal (possibly using Issuu) will be created for Reuben's submissions to combat plagiarism and allow cross-checking of sheets from previous years.

22.9. Budget of ₹1.5 Lakh (₹75k per round) to be split into two rounds (End of October & Jan/Feb) to accommodate different thesis schedules (North vs. South). TRE clarified this is for case studies/site visits, and ₹15k is adequate.

22.10. Launch of the NASA India Scholarship Fund in collaboration with CoA, offering ₹1 lakh to 10 deserving students (total ₹10 lakh). This is a need-based scholarship, not merit-based.

22.11. Pay scale revised with a 25% increase for designers/editors across all verticals (graphics, videos, editorial). PRE clarified that the full draft is confidential to the DET team.

22.12. Awareness programs for 11th and 12th-grade students, including the distribution of an informational booklet (requiring budget funding).

22.13. TRE confirmed the MoU with GRIHA is still active for the current year, but the council will reconsider the partnership for the next tenure.

23. Scholarship Discussion (Cont.)

23.1. A major discussion was held on the NISF funding model: **₹1 lakh to 10 students vs. ₹50,000 to 20 students**.

23.1.1. **TRE/SEC/GC:** ₹1 lakh is the minimum required amount to cover at least a semester's fee, plus hostel and living expenses. It focuses on quality impact over the quantity of recipients.

23.1.2. **GC**: Would create a larger impact by catering to more people and encouraging wider participation in the scholarship.

23.2. Final Decision - Based on the consensus that ₹1 lakh provides more meaningful aid, the council decided to proceed with ₹1 lakh for 10 students.

23.3. Regarding NISF- TRE/PRE also confirmed that applicants must not already receive any other government scholarships and must submit an income certificate and an attested college fee bill for verification.

24. Budget Presentation and Approval (11:37 AM – 1:13 PM)

24.1. **Z310 USEC** passed the budget,

24.2. seconded by **Z214 USEC**, and it was passed.

At 1:13 PM, the meeting was adjourned for a lunch break.

Day 4 Session 2:

25. Trophies Head Presentation (1:45 PM – 6:10 PM)

25.1. **68th Year Trophy Plan (1:45 PM)**

25.2. The Trophies Head (TH) presented the plan for 14 trophies, noting a decrease in submissions from the 66th to the 67th Year.

25.3. WAT, GSEN, and IDT were released in a single batch (1:51 PM – 1:53 PM). Noting the first group release.

25.4. A new timeline was set, offering an extended 60-day submission window.

25.5. Short Film Trophy (SFT) and Adaptive Reuse Trophy were removed due to low quality and lack of feasibility in the current tenure.

26. Upgrades & Degradations (2:57 PM)

26.1. Upgraded to Member- Z103 (Chandigarh), Z690 (VIT, Vellore)

26.2. Degraded to Observer- Z526, Z219, Z235 (Given final warning)

27. ANC Host Expression of Interest (3:00 PM)

27.1. Expression of Interest for 68th Year ANC- Z560, Z689, Z118, Z187, Z239 (Based on a proposed timeline of late May-mid June)

28. Trophies Q&A and Final Discussion (5:28 PM)

28.1. **Z224 & Z424** asked Why is the flagship ANDC likely not 1:1 this year? SEC noted that previous 1:1 submissions often lacked focus on sustainable development and resulted in wastage. The final decision rests with the Moderator to ensure practicality over emotion.

28.2. **Z602** asked Why release 3 trophies together? TH explained that a sequential release makes the schedule too packed. Grouping them (with a 60-day gap) encourages participation and allows students to choose which to attempt.

28.3. **ZP2** asked Why did LIK registrations dip? TH attributed the drop to clashing academic calendars and events.

28.4. **TRE** asked Should non-associated colleges be allowed to participate in Group B Trophies for a fee? TH agreed to work on this proposal.

28.5. **TRE** asked Are trophies becoming stagnant? TH is working to integrate cutting-edge concepts like the Metaverse to uplift the trophy standards.

28.6. **ADV/PRE** warned that units who are shortlisted but fail to submit editable files for publication will not be entertained in future publications, and prize money may be withheld (TH agreed).

29. Conclusion (6:10 PM)

29.1. The host college conducted the felicitation of the Executive and Zonal Council members, marking the successful completion of the FGBM.

29.2. Ended with a vote of Thanks and the National Anthem.