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PRESIDENT'S DESK



Dear Members and Colleagues,

Warm greetings.

As we move further into 2026, it is encouraging to witness the continued momentum across our profession and within CEAI. This edition of the newsletter reflects not only the diversity of activities undertaken by the Association, but also the growing engagement of our members in strengthening professional capability and thought leadership.

Our recent knowledge initiatives through CEAI Academy—including the PMP® precursor webinar and the Primavera (P6) training—have seen strong participation and reaffirm the need for continuous upskilling in an increasingly complex project environment. As highlighted in this issue, today's infrastructure ecosystem demands not just technical excellence, but also a deeper understanding of sustainability, risk management, and integrated project delivery.

At the same time, the forthcoming programmes across regions—ranging from contract management workshops to emerging areas such as artificial intelligence—underline our commitment to equipping members with relevant, future-ready skills. I would strongly encourage all members to actively participate in these initiatives and leverage them to enhance both individual and organizational capabilities.

A key highlight for all of us this year is the **FIDIC Global Infrastructure Conference (GIC) 2026**, to be hosted by CEAI in New Delhi from 13–15 September 2026. As outlined in this newsletter, this flagship global event will bring together leaders from across the infrastructure spectrum—governments, clients, consultants, contractors, financiers, and policymakers—from over 100 countries.

This is a moment of immense significance for India. Hosting GIC 2026 is both a recognition of our growing global stature in infrastructure development and an opportunity to showcase the depth, capability, and innovation of Indian consulting engineers to the world.

However, the true success of this event will depend on **strong participation from India's engineering and consulting community**. I urge all CEAI members and industry stakeholders to:

- Register and attend in large numbers
- Nominate senior leadership and emerging professionals
- Actively engage in knowledge sessions and networking forums

CEAI has also facilitated a special **50% registration benefit for Indian participants**, making it even more accessible for our community to be part of this global platform.

Let us view GIC 2026 not just as an event, but as a collective opportunity—to learn, to connect, and to position India as a leader in delivering quality, sustainable, and resilient infrastructure.

I look forward to your active participation and continued support in all our initiatives.

Warm Regards,

Prashant Kapila
President, CEAI

UPDATE ON EVENTS ORGANISED

Precursor Webinar on 14th April 2026

PMP® Precursor Webinar Conducted by CEAI Academy

CEAI Academy recently conducted a PMP® Precursor Webinar, bringing together engineers and professionals seeking clarity on the Project Management Professional (PMP®) certification.

The 90 minute session focused on addressing some of the most common areas of uncertainty-eligibility, application processes, exam structure, and preparation strategy-through a practical, experience-led discussion.

A few key insights that emerged:

1. The PMP® framework today extends beyond project delivery, placing emphasis on benefit realisation, sustainability, and risk management in complex environments
2. Success in the examination requires a shift in approach. It is important to think from a managerial and decision-making perspective, rather than an execution-focused role
3. With over one million certified professionals globally, PMP® continues to serve as a widely recognized benchmark for project leadership
4. Structured preparation, clarity on eligibility, and a focused approach to resources remain critical to navigating the certification journey effectively

The session was marked by strong participation and thoughtful questions, reflecting the growing interest in structured project management capabilities across the engineering and infrastructure ecosystem.

CEAI Academy will continue to host similar knowledge sessions and webinars aimed at building awareness, strengthening professional capability, and supporting members in navigating evolving industry expectations. We also hope to support members and the larger Engineering fraternity by eventually launching comprehensive PMP training in future.

Primavera (P6) Training Conducted by CEAI Academy on 24-25 April 2026

CEAI Academy recently conducted a 2-day training program on Oracle Primavera (P6) for project professionals from ICT (Intercontinental Consultants and Technocrats Private Limited).

The session focused on building hands-on capability in project planning, scheduling, resource management, and tracking, covering key areas such as WBS development, activity relationships, critical path identification, baseline creation, and reporting.



Participant feedback highlighted:

- 1 Strong emphasis on practical, application-based learning
- 1 Improved clarity on end-to-end project workflows within Primavera
- 1 Increased confidence in using the tool in real project environments

The programme is part of CEAI Academy's ongoing efforts to strengthen project execution capabilities within the industry, with more such focused training sessions and webinars planned.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

a) A one-day workshop on **‘From Tender to Completion: Essential Knowledge for Infrastructure Professionals in North India’**, to be hosted by CEAI Northern Region in Chandigarh on **8th May 2026**. The workshop will focus on legal frameworks relevant to construction and infrastructure projects. The sessions will cover contractual obligations, dispute resolution mechanisms, and risk mitigation strategies. The program aims to offer valuable insights for professionals engaged in project management and consulting engineering.

b) An online **Precursor Webinar on AI Training Workshop**, being hosted by CEAI Southern Region, on **8 May 2026**, introducing participants to the growing role of artificial intelligence in engineering, project management, and infrastructure planning. The webinar will provide a conceptual overview ahead of a more detailed AI-focused training programme planned later in the year.

Other programmes being planned are as follows:

a) **May 2026** - CEAI Academy plans **FIDIC Training in New Delhi**, focusing on the interpretation and practical application of FIDIC contract frameworks widely used in international infrastructure projects. The training will help professionals understand contractual responsibilities, claims management, and dispute avoidance mechanisms within FIDIC-based projects.

b) **May 2026** - CEAI Eastern Region will organise **an online POSH (Prevention of Sexual Harassment) Training** aimed at strengthening workplace awareness and compliance with statutory guidelines. The programme will address legal obligations, organisational responsibilities, and practical frameworks for creating safe and respectful professional environments.

c) **June 2026** - CEAI Academy will hold an extended **Project Management Professional (PMP) Training Programme** in New Delhi. Designed as a structured learning series, the programme will support professionals preparing for PMP certification while strengthening project leadership and delivery capabilities.

FIDIC GLOBAL INFRASTRUCTURE CONFERENCE 2026

FIDIC Global Infrastructure Conference 2026 will be hosted in New Delhi, India from 13th to **15th September 2026**. As FIDIC’s flagship annual event which has been taking place since 1930, the conference provides a global platform for the infrastructure industry to come together to exchange knowledge, share experience and strengthen collaboration across regions.

New Delhi offers a highly relevant setting for the conference, reflecting India’s growing influence and leadership in global infrastructure development. As one of the world’s fastest-growing major economies, India is at the forefront of large-scale infrastructure delivery, innovation and capacity building, making it an ideal location for the global infrastructure community to meet.

FIDIC’s flagship annual event brings together the full spectrum of the infrastructure industry, including clients, governments, policy makers, consulting engineers, contractors, lawyers, financiers and architects. The conference offers high-level dialogue, knowledge sharing and valuable networking opportunities with peers and partners from across the globe.

Registration is Open for the FIDIC Global Infrastructure Conference 2026!

Join global leaders of the infrastructure sector in New Delhi, India, during 13th to 15th September 2026 for one of the industry's most influential gatherings.

Under the theme **Engineering a Bright Future, Together: Quality Infrastructure for People and Prosperity**, the conference will bring together industry leaders, policymakers, financiers and engineers from over 100 countries to address the most pressing challenges in infrastructure delivery.

Learn more and register [📄 https://lnkd.in/eTdwMPVA](https://lnkd.in/eTdwMPVA)

DIRECTOR'S DESK

During the month of April 2026, CEAI secretariat facilitated the following meetings:

- GIC - Local Organising Committee Meeting on 02 April 2026
- Integrity Management Committee meeting on 15 April 2026
- Seminar & Events Committee on 16 April 2026
- GIC - Local Organising Committee Meeting on 16 April 2026
- Publication & Communication Committee on 21 April 2026
- CEAI Foundation Committee Meeting on 23 April 2026
- External Relation Committee Meeting on 28 April 2026
- Sustainable Development committee Meeting on 28 April 2026
- Future Leader Forum meeting on 29 April 2026
- GIC - Local Organising Committee Meeting on 30 April 2026

VIEWPOINT JUNE 2026

The theme of the June 2026 edition of ViewPoint is '**Climate Change, Urban Flooding, and Landslides**' - a subject that needs to be taken cognisance of with a sense of urgency and to reflect on "What kind of 'Earth' and 'Life' are we leaving for posterity"?

Human activity has significantly increased greenhouse gas emissions through the rampant use of fossil fuels, large-scale deforestation, unbridled urbanisation and rising pollution levels – all contributing to global warming and increasing unstable weather patterns. These manifest themselves in more intense and unpredictable rainfall.

At the same time, the loss of wetlands and natural water bodies, combined with poorly planned urban growth, has replaced absorbent soil with impervious paved surfaces. Blocked or inadequate drainage systems further aggravate the problem, preventing rainwater from being absorbed or channelled away effectively and leading to frequent urban flooding.

Similarly, excessive deforestation and unregulated construction in ecologically sensitive regions weaken natural landscapes. The removal of vegetation accelerates soil erosion and destabilises fragile slopes, dislodging soil and rocks and increasing the likelihood of landslides during heavy rainfall.

All Professionals are encouraged to contribute articles on the theme based on their experience/expertise and recommend ways and means to mitigate the damage to the Environment.

Articles (of 1500-3000 words) for the June 2026 edition of ViewPoint need to reach CEAI by 25 May 2026. Articles have to be in MS Word - Times New Roman 12 with single line spacing with before and after 6 pt and normal margin, on A4 size. A recent, clear and bright passport-size photograph on a plain light-coloured background of the author(s) is to be sent along with the article. For details of formatting, please refer to 'Format for Articles for CEAI Viewpoint' on CEAI's website, under 'Publications'. The 'CEAI Conditions of Publication' can also be seen on the website.

Advertisement in ViewPoint

Support from CEAI members and stakeholders is sought for increasing the number of advertisements, so that ViewPoint gains in its stature as a unique Technical Publication for the fraternity and the public at large to disseminate information on how Consulting Engineers are helping society improve the quality of assets created and are doing so sustainably. The rates for advertisements in ViewPoint are given below:

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Inside Front Cover	18,000.00	32,400.00	57,600.00
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Full Page (Colour)	12,000.00	21,600.00	38,400.00
Full Page (Colour), if a specific page position is required	14,000.00	25,200.00	44,800.00
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Notes: *GST @ 5% or as prescribed will be added to the above rates

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2	EPC Turnkey Contract 2nd Ed 2017 Silver Book Reprinted 2022 with amendments
3	Construction Contract 2nd Ed 2017 Red Book, Reprinted 2022 with amendments
4	Plant & Design Build Contract 2nd Ed 2017 Yellow Book, Reprinted 2022 with amendments
5	The Short Form of Contract (2nd Edition, 2021)
6	Conditions of Contract for EPC Turnkey Projects (First Edition, 1999)
7	EPC/Turnkey Contract 2nd Ed (2017 Silver Book)
8	Conditions of Contract for Construction (First Ed. 1999)
9	Construction Contract 2nd Ed (2017 Red Book)
10	Conditions of Contract for Plant & Design-Build (First Ed, 1999)
11	Plant and design-build contract 2nd Ed (2017 Yellow book)
12	Dredgers Contract 2nd Ed (2016 Blue-Green Book)
13	Client/Consultant Model Services Agreement 5th Ed (2017 White Book)
14	GUIDE to Conditions of Contract for Design, Build and Operate Projects (2008 GOLD BOOK) 1st Ed 2011
15	Conditions of Contract for Works of Civil Engineering Construction (4th Ed. 1987 Reprinted 2011)
16	Conditions of Contract for Design-Build and Turnkey First Edition 1995 Reprinted 2011
17	Conditions of Contract for Underground works (2019 Emerald Book)

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New Delhi | 13–15 September 2026

JOIN THE WORLD'S LEADING INFRASTRUCTURE EVENT

The **FIDIC Global Infrastructure Conference (GIC) 2026** brings the global infrastructure community to India for an unparalleled exchange of ideas, innovation, and collaboration.

Organised by FIDIC and supported by CEAI, this flagship event gathers:

- ✓ Industry Leaders
- ✓ Policymakers & Government Representatives
- ✓ Engineers & Consultants
- ✓ Financiers & Contractors
- ✓ Legal & Infrastructure Experts

 **100+ Countries | One Global Platform**

WHY ATTEND?

- High-level global dialogue on infrastructure challenges
- Insights into future-ready, sustainable infrastructure
- Networking with international leaders & decision-makers
- Exposure to global best practices and innovations

SPECIAL BENEFIT FOR INDIAN PARTICIPANTS

CEAI has facilitated a **special 50% registration discount** for **Indian participants** (Automatically applied during registration with Indian address)

 **Register Now: <https://events.fidic.org/gic26/10478293>**

Be part of this global gathering—right here in New Delhi