It is a matter of pride and utmost pleasure that Mr. K. K. Kapila, our Chairman & Managing Director has been unanimously re-elected to serve a second term as Chairman of International Road Federation (IRF), Geneva. It is a unique honour for our country of which there is no parallel. This honour was bestowed upon Mr. Kapila by General Assembly of IRF Geneva Programme Centre at Marrakech, Morocco on 18th March 2013, prior to a high-level IRF Regional Conference. The Executive Committee and General Assembly of IRF paid rich tributes to Mr. Kapila's achievements in not only streamlining the Federation but also extending the membership of Federation into new territories to become a truly global community of prominent road organizations and professionals worldwide. In humbly accepting the re-election, Mr. Kapila expressed his confidence that the Federation will relentlessly work to achieve the Global Plan of the UN Decade of Action for Road Safety, which calls for a 50% reduction in road accidents and fatalities by the end of 2020.

Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. K. K. Kapila for adding another feather to his already well-adorned cap.
The achievements of ICT during first quarter of the year 2013 have been unprecedented, the latest being the unanimous re-election of our CMD, Mr. K. K. Kapila as Chairman of IRF on 18th March 2013 for a repeat term, creating a history of sorts. An active member of the IRF Geneva Board of Directors for many years and Chairman since his election during the IRF World Meeting in Lisbon in 2010, he has been a tireless ambassador of the IRF vision for a world of safer, smarter and sustainable roads. Continually striving to meet the diverse needs of IRF members across all continents and honouring his commitment concerning road safety, we look forward to the day when General Assembly of IRF Geneva decides to appoint him as a lifelong Chairman of IRF!

Close behind, on 10th March 2013, our Company bagged the prestigious “Century International Quality ERA Award” in the “Diamond category” at the B.I.D Convention held at Geneva. This is the third B.I.D quality award ICT has won since 2011 and was received by Mr. Prashant Kapila, COO & President of our Company. We have thus joined the historic group of distinguished B.I.D Quality Award winners from among some outstanding companies across the world. More details on Page-3.

Not far behind, Mr. K. K. Kapila was honoured with the “Outstanding Contribution Award – 2012” by Indian Buildings Congress (IBC) in January 2013, for his valuable contributions to the IBC in various spheres. For details refer to Page-3.

The first Surveillance Audit of our QMS conforming to ISO 9001:2008 post re-certification, was conducted by DNV on 07th March 2013. The audit went off exceedingly well and no “Non-conformity” was raised, making us proud of our yet another exemplary performance at external audits. A heartfelt “Thank You” to each one of you for your contribution for the audit!!

Thanks to the relentless efforts of our CMD, Mr. K. K. Kapila, the Government of India has allowed income tax exemption on 50% of the amount that people / entities will contribute to institutions carrying out road safety programmes through engineering measures, enforcement, education and emergency care. This is on the similar lines of exemptions extended to organizations for expenditure on promotion of family planning and HIV-AIDS prevention. This step will help further motivate people and organizations to come forward and contribute for road safety and enable achieve reduction in fatalities.

Happy Reading

- Editor

**KUDOS**

- A technical paper titled “Fixing the Alignment Using High Resolution Satellite Imageries”- Case Study : Kolkata - Dhanbad Expressway was authored by Dr. K. Venkateswarlu and Prof. P. K. Sikdar of Transportation and GIS Division. This paper was presented by Dr. K. Venkateswarlu in User Interaction Meet -2013 held at National Remote Sensing Centre Hyderabad on 21st & 22nd February 2013”.This paper received appreciation from the Chairman of Panel. Our heartiest congratulations to Dr. K. Venkateswarlu and Prof. P. K. Sikdar!!

- The council of the Indian Roads Congress (IRC) during their 73rd Annual Session at Coimbatore on 10th January 2013 conveyed their deep sense of appreciation for the outstanding work done by Shri Chandan Basu, HOD (Pavement, Material & Geo-technical) as Member of H-2 Committee of IRC. A Commendation Certificate was presented to Shri Basu. Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Chandan Basu!!
It is a matter of great pride and honour that ICT Pvt. Ltd. has bagged the prestigious “Century International Quality ERA Award” in the “Diamond category” at Business Initiative Directions (B.I.D) Century International Quality ERA Convention held at Geneva. The award was received by Mr. Prashant Kapila, COO & President on 10th March 2013 presented by Mr. Jose E. Prieto, President and CEO of B.I.D, Madrid, Spain at the glittering ceremony held at the Convention Hall of Hotel InterContinental, Geneva. The award is given in recognition of an organization’s strong commitment to Quality and excellence.

While presenting the award, Mr. Prieto complimented Mr. Prashant Kapila for Company’s commitment to quality and excellence at delivery and acknowledged Company’s persistent focus on effecting continual improvement of its quality system. According to Mr. Jose E. Prieto “The awarded companies are symbols of commitment to leadership, technology and innovation, making them models for others in their sectors.”

Our CMD, Mr. K. K. Kapila was bestowed “Outstanding Contribution Award 2012” for his valuable contribution, dedication and outstanding service to the Indian Buildings Congress. The award was presented by Shri Kamal Nath, Hon’ble Minister of Urban Development and Parliamentary Affairs, on 17th January 2013 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi during the Inaugural function of 18th Annual Convention and National Seminar on “Training, Skill Upgradation and Competence Development in Building Industry” of Indian Buildings Congress. Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Kapila !!

Mr. Satyakam, Chief Advisor, ICT Pvt. Ltd. has won the 2nd Prize of InARoaD Award 2012 during the IRF Regional Conference held on 19th & 20th March 2013 at Marrakech, Morocco for the Project “Consultancy Services for the Maintenance Needs Assessment and Updating of Road Financing Study, Ethiopia”. Mr. Satyakam was the Team Leader of this project. The InARoad award recognizes exemplary projects that have made real impact on transport in developing countries, that are innovative, sustainable and represent good practices in this field. Our heartiest congratulations to Mr. Satyakam !!
**PROJECT AWARDED**

- **Supervision of Rehabilitation Works of Roads of Grandes Niayes and three Connecting Roads, Senegal.**
  
  **Client:** The General Director, AGEROUTE SENEGAL, Dakar-Fann-Senegal.

  The objective is to supervise and monitor the rehabilitation works of the national roads no. 1 between Rufisque and Bargny, which constitutes the exit of the capital Dakar towards other regions of Senegal and which is in an advanced state of deterioration. The project aims at increasing the national revenue and reducing of deficit by improving the transportation conditions.

- **Architect and Technical Consultant for Preparation of Technical Feasibility Study and Master Plan for Development / Redevelopment of Chandigarh and Habibganj-Bhopal Railway Station on the Indian Railway Network, India.**
  
  **Client:** Indian Railway Stations Development Corporation (IRSDC) Limited, India.

  The Objective of the assignment is to undertake Technical Feasibility study and prepare Master and Concept Plans of Chandigarh and Habibganj-Bhopal Railway Stations for the purpose of firming up IRSDC’s requirement in respect of development and construction of these stations and Project Facilities, and ensuring: (i) Segregation of arrival / departure passenger movement and circulation at the Project Railway Stations on both sides; (ii) Safe and comfortable world class passenger amenities / services in a clean and pleasing ambiance; (iii) Superior road connectivity with the cities for quick and easy access to these Stations and adequate parking within station premises, efficient multi-modal interface, provide flexibility for integration facilities with future transport infrastructure; (iv) Special amenities and services for the old, infirm and physically challenged passengers; (v) The project to be executed as a Green Building project and therefore environment factors to be given very high priority.

- **Consultancy Services for Supervision of Construction of Sibiti Bridge (82 M) and its approach Roads (25 KM), Tanzania.**
  
  **Client:** The Chief Executive Tanzania National Roads Agency (TANROADS).

  The objective of the assignment is to undertake consultancy services on behalf of TANROADS for the supervision works of construction of Sibiti Bridge and its approach roads. The assignment involves : (i) Supervision of the works contract to ensure that the executed works comply with the approved design, drawing, specification, conditions of contract and sound engineering practice; (ii) Approval of Contractor's working drawings and programme of works; (iii) Preparation of final construction report and as built drawings of all completed works; (iv) Preparation of the project completion report; (v) Supervision of maintenance activities during the defects liability period.

- **Consultancy Services for preparation of Feasibility-cum-Preliminary Design for 4/6 Laning of Goa-Karnataka Border to Kundapur Section of NH-66 (formerly NH-17) in Karnataka State- Environmental related activities for obtaining Environmental Clearances.**
  
  **Client:** SNC- LAVALIN Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd., Bengaluru, India.

  The objective is to carry out Environment related activities for obtaining Environmental Clearances for the above project.

**OBITUARY**

With profound grief and sorrow, we inform the sad demise of our colleague, Mr. Puppala Ramesh, who left us for his heavenly abode on 27th January 2013. Late Mr. Puppala Ramesh joined ICT Pvt. Ltd. on 25th January 2012. He is survived by his wife and two children. We deeply mourn the death of Mr. Puppala Ramesh and convey our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family. We pray to the Almighty that his noble Soul be blessed with eternal peace.