



## Chairman's Report

Date: April 1, 2013

To the Members of the Council,

On behalf of the Elected Governing Board, I am pleased to present the report on the activities of the Council for the year 2012.

Elected Governing Board has the responsibility of running the day to day affairs of the Council and accordingly met 6 times during the year.

On the financials of the Council I am glad to inform that the Council had a net cash surplus of Dhs.8,947/-for the year 2012 against the surplus of Dhs. 31949/- for 2011. The net accumulated surplus stands at Dhs. 98,495/-. The membership of the Council stands at 46 individual memberships and 18 corporate memberships at the end of 2012 as against 45 individual memberships and 22 corporate memberships at the end of 2011.

IBPC successfully hosted various events, delegations, seminars, charitable events, cultural programs and dinners in the year 2012. IBPC Sharjah played a key role in gearing up the Sharjah Cremation Ground Project handled by the Indian Association Sharjah, which was inaugurated in the month of February 2013.

The IBPC Sharjah Newsmagazine is the only Business Group Magazine in the UAE listed in the **Middle East MEDIA GUIDE 2012**. The magazine is well read amongst the Indian Business Community and is distributed widely with a circulation of more than 6000 copies. The contents are very extensive and informative. Thanks to Media Seen the PR agency and the Editorial Team for their professional support. A special word of appreciation to Mr. Tanvir Kanji for devoting his time and efforts to make every issue unique and interesting.

Other than the above the following events and meetings were successfully concluded during 2012.

### January

- NROAB – (Non Resident Overseas Association of Bengal)- In Honor of visiting Business/Trade Delegation from NROAB, an Event was held by EBCI (Emirates Bengal Club of India) to felicitate the delegation.



## **February**

- EBA – Egyptian Businessmen Association - In Honor of visiting High Level Business Delegation from Egyptian Businessmen Association, an interactive luncheon session was organized by the Egyptian Trade Centre

## **March**

- IBPC Board Members Meeting was held on 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2012 at ITEC m.e.

## **April**

- IBPC – Annual General Meeting was held on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 at ITEC m.e.

## **May**

- Delegation from All India Plastic Manufacturers Association (AIPMA) visited ITEC me. on the successful conclusion of Plasti vision Arabia 2012 Exhibition at Expo Centre Sharjah

## **June**

- An NRI cell was formed under IBPC Sharjah in the month of June to take up issues of NRI with the Government of India in the highest level. Mr. Bharat Bhai Shah is the Coordinator of the NRI Cell.
- AKMG Sharjah Chapter successfully conducts its first Medical Camp at Emirates National School, Sharjah.

## **July**

- IBPC Sharjah in coordination with the Association of Kerala Medical Graduates (AKMG Emirates) conducted a blood donation camp with the support of Blood Transfusion and Research Dept, Ministry of Sharjah at ITEC m.e premises.
- AKMG Sharjah conducted “Heat Stroke Awareness” campaign at IFFCO group of Companies
- Alpha Palliative Council’s held their second Annual Dinner at the Crowne Plaza, Deira. HE Sanjay Verma, Consul General of India inaugurated the event.



## **August**

- A delegation from the IBPC Sharjah called upon HH Dr. Sheikh Sultan bin Mohamed Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council and Ruler of Sharjah to convey Greetings on the occasion of the Holy Month of Ramadan at the Al Badie Palace
- AKMG (All India Keralite Medical Graduates) members actively participated and supported in the noble and charitable act of distributing free medical samples during the Holy month of Ramadan for the needy.

## **September**

- An interactive session with the High Level Delegation from Gujarat headed by Mr. Kamal Dayani, Industries Commissioner, and Government of Gujarat was held at ITEC m.e.

## **October**

- Alleem Knowledge Centre Awards - IBPC Sharjah was honored by Dr. Rashid Alleem, the Chairman and Founder of Alleem Knowledge Centre at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Marketing & Branding Congress 2012 for the contribution by IBPC Sharjah towards the Indian Business Community through its various activities and the IBPC news magazine.

## **November**

- RAKIA Georgia in association with ITEC M.E. hosted the event on “Business Expansion & Opportunities in Georgia” exclusively for the members of the Indian Business Community in UAE.
- Meet the Sharjah Government: ITEC M.E. held an exclusive networking event for the Indian Businessmen wherein Indian Businessmen got an opportunity to interact with heads of various government departments in Sharjah in a bid to further bolster trade and investments.

## **December**

- Print run of IBPC Sharjah Newsmagazine has been increased to 6000 copies and IBPC Sharjah Magazine is the only Business Group Magazine in the UAE listed in the Middle East MEDIA GUIDE 2012.



**For the year 2013, I anticipate a lot of activity particularly in coordination with the India Trade and Exhibition Centre. In addition to this, the Council plans to host following events in 2013:**

- Delegation visit to Egypt
- Delegation visit to Georgia
- B2B Meetings and hosting various visiting delegations
- Meet the Sharjah Government – An event by ITEC and IBPC Sharjah.
- Blood Donation Camp
- Joint event with the Affiliate Bodies of IBPC Sharjah
- Directory of Members of IBPC Sharjah 2013.
- NRI Cell activities.

I once again thank you for the support you have extended to the Council and hope you shall continue to do so in future.

At this time it gives me a great pleasure to acknowledge and appreciate with gratitude the support extended to the Council by H.E. Ahmed Mohamed. Al Midfa, Chairman of SCCI and the Officers of the Sharjah Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

I would like to thank HE Shri M.K. Lokesh, Ambassador of India to UAE and HE Shri. Sanjay Verma Consul General of India, officers and staff of the Indian Consulate for their support.

Many thanks to M/S Morrison Menon the honorary auditors of the Council, the Patrons, Elected Governing Body Members and Secretarial staff of IBPC Sharjah.

Thanking you all

**For Indian Business & Professional Council**

**Sudesh K. Aggarwal**

**Chairman**