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**Executive Secretary's report for the year 2006-07**

*Dear Chairman, Hony. Treasurer, Vice Chairman, President, Vice President, and esteemed members of FRP Institute.*

I have great pleasure in submitting my report on activities of FRP Institute for the year 2006-07.

***President's Board***

The Immediate Past President and current vice chairman, Mr. Pradip Thakkar has taken part in all the meetings held and the amount of time he spends for the promotion of Indian FRP Industry in general and particularly for FRP Institute activities whether it is ICERP or India Pavilion in JEC show is unparalleled.

I would also record with great appreciation, the active participation and guidance of past president Mr. Subhash Vithaldas for the all activities undertaken by FRP Institute.

**G.C.Meetings:**

As the immediate past Chairman of the Governing Council Mr. R.Ramesh was able to chair all the meetings and ably conducted the meetings with his wisdom and experience in the corporate world. Mr. Satish Kulkarni, the new chairman of FRP Institute participated in all the meeting and actively involved in guiding the activities of FRP Institute. Mr. Peter valet, the honorary Treasurer has been involved in the activities of the FRP Institute.

**Membership:**

The status of membership is as under:

	2005-06	2006-2007
Corpus Fund members	2	2

Donor	5	5
Patron	5	5
Life	110	115
Ordinary	104	106
Student	4	4
Total	130	137

## **Activities during the year:**

### **One day workshop**

In association with Epsilon composite Solutions Pune, a one day training and demonstration was organized on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2006. This programme was on zero shrink fast curing unsaturated polyester resin and also a demonstration of mono vacuum moulding process was carried out.

Another one day workshop was organized in Chennai on 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2006 in association with Axson Polymer Technology, France to introduce to Indian customers the range of epoxy products made by Axson. A vacuum infusion process demonstration was also organized as part of the programme and for many of the participants, it was first time they had an opportunity to see live demonstration of vacuum infusion process.

### **INHOUSE TRAINING PROGRAMME:**

An inhouse training programme was conducted at Thermax India Ltd at Pune for two days during 4 and 5<sup>th</sup> of August.2006. The training programme was focused on the applications of FRP in chemical industry. Dr.N.G Nair was the coordinator and executive secretary was co –coordinator of the programme. The inhouse training programme was very much appreciated by the participants.

### **Six days training programme on FRP Technology:**

To give overall knowledge on FRP Technology a six days training programme on FRP Technology was conducted during 21<sup>st</sup> Aug to 26<sup>th</sup> Aug, 2006 and another programme was also conducted during 26<sup>th</sup> Feb to 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2006 at Chennai.

### **FRP Training at Academic Institution**

A three day training programme on Theory and Practical Demonstration of FRP Technology was jointly organized by FRP Institute and Aeronautical Engineering Department of MIT, Chrompet, Anna University during 3-5<sup>th</sup> Jan, 2007 . About 60 students participated in the training programme.

### **China Composites Expo 2006**

China Composites Expo 2006 was held at Shanghai mart, Shanghai, China during, 4-6 September 2006 in which FRP Institute has taken part. This event was the biggest exhibition on composites in Asia. There were about 250 exhibitors from all over the world participated in the exhibition. In the seminar organized by the China composites Expo, a paper on Indian Composites Industry was presented by the FRP Institute. Mr.R.Ramesh, Chairman, FRP Institute presented that paper and it was well attended and well received by the audience. Permal Wallace Pvt Ltd is the only Indian company participated in the expo along with the FRP Institute. There were more than 120 Indian visitors attended the exhibition.

### **ACMA Meet**

The ACMA meet was held during 18-19<sup>th</sup> October, 2006 at St.Louis, USA and Mr. Satish Kulkarni, Chairman of FRP Institute, presented a paper on Doing Business in India and it was well received by the delegates.

### **Association with Reinforced Plastics, U.K.:**

Ms. Amanda Jacob, Editor of Reinforced Plastics magazine visited India during March 2007 and FRP Institute arranged meeting with leading FRP Industries and Ms. Amanda Jacob met the industry leaders at Delhi, Mumbai and Chennai. Base on these meetings, she wrote a feature on Indian Composites Industry that appeared in the August 2007 issue of Reinforced Plastics magazine.

## **India Pavilion at the JEC Composites show 2007 at Paris, France**

FRP Institute along with Mechemco Industries and the Plastics Export Promotion council made arrangement for organizing the India Pavilion at JEC show held in 3-5<sup>th</sup> April, 2007

India pavilion had a total area of 81 Sqm . The following companies have participated in the India pavilion

1. Mechemco Industries, Mumbai. ([www.mechemco.com](http://www.mechemco.com))
2. Permali Wallace Pvt Ltd, Bhopal. ([www.permaliwallace.com](http://www.permaliwallace.com))
3. CNC Technics Pvt. Ltd, Hyderabad. ([www.cnctechnics.com](http://www.cnctechnics.com))
4. Kineco Pvt Ltd, Goa. ([www.kinecogroup.com](http://www.kinecogroup.com))
5. Digiprotek Advanced Composites Pvt. Ltd, Bangalore, ([www.digiprotek.com](http://www.digiprotek.com))
6. Plastics Export promotion council
7. FRP Institute ([www.frpinstitute.org](http://www.frpinstitute.org))

The following companies participated as co exhibitors in the Plastics Export Promotion Council booth

1. Tech-Force Composites Pvt.Ltd. Indore. ([www.tfcpl.com](http://www.tfcpl.com))
2. Jyoti Plastics Pvt Ltd, Mumbai

Mr. Pradip Thakkar, Vice Chairman, FRP Institute and Dr. Chaitanya Shah of Mechemco Industries have put tremendous effort in organizing the India pavilion.

## **Association with J E C**

During the China Composites expo at Shanghai, Dr.Selvam and Dr.Chaitanya Shah of Mechemco Industries had meetings with Ms. Frederique Mutel, CEO, JEC Group, France for the promotion of ICERP 2008 in their media.

## **Composites Study Modules:**

We have distributed during the year about 900 pages of these study materials to the industry.

## **Service to the Industry**

We regularly get enquires asking for advise, technical help, source of materials, sourcing of components, recommendations on various matters etc.

## **Website:**

This indeed has become a very valuable tool especially when we announce one day workshop, training programme etc in the website. We receive enquires for participation in one day workshops through website.

## **FRP Today:**

We are thankful to the publishers of this magazine for the entire freedom they have given to us to use the pages of this magazine to tell about the activities of FRP Institute.

## ***Accounts and Audit Report***

K. Gopalan & Co. has duly carried out the audit of our accounts and the details are given in the report. They are indeed acting as a guardian of the Institute in matters relating to statutory requirements.

## **Expression of Gratitude:**

We express our grateful thanks to the following Institutions, Individuals and Organisations;

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**Dr.A.Selvam**  
**Executive Secretary**  
**19<sup>th</sup> March, 2008**