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PRESIDENT'S SPEECH ON THE EVE. OF SEMINAR ON "CRZ" (CRZ ...DEMYSTIFIED)

नमस्कार ! व्यासपिठावरील आणि प्रेक्षागृहातील आपण सारे मान्यवर **PEATA** परिवाराच्या दुसऱ्या आवृत्तीच्या प्रकाशनाच्या निमित्ताने नुकताच पार पाडलेला हा आनंद सोहळा. - **PEATA** परिवाराचा. १९६५ सालची गोष्ट, मंतरलेले ते दिवस... ५-६ समवयस्क, समविचारीन बांधकाम क्षेत्रातील व्यवसायिक, मुंबई महापालिकेच्या **corridors** मध्ये एकत्र येतात, भेटतात, बसतात, बोलतात. काहीतरी करायला पाहिजे, मनांत एक उर्मी असते. साहेबांकडे कैफियत मांडण्यासाठी, आणि आपले म्हणणे समजावण्यासाठी एक छोटा ग्रुप तयार होतो. त्यांत असतात **Engineer, Architect** आणि **Town Planner** सुध्दा. त्यांचे नाव ठेवले जाते. **PEATA** नांवाचे एक छोटे से रोपटे रूजवले जाते. खत पाणी घातले जाते. हा हा म्हणता त्याचा एक वृक्ष होतो.

Yes, PEATA is growing. Since last 45 years our strength is increasing. It has reached to approx. 2500 members including donor members. People are aware there is an association with mature and rational approach which can be relied upon to give correct assessment of the policies and its effects. Our word has weightage in the field. Our action and approach have always been steady but firm in the proper direction, proper perspective to achieve required goal. It is due to happy blending and strong bonding of old stalwarts with new blood giving the experience and enthusiasm to others to continue the task ahead. In fact, in present circumstances, looking at the various problems being faced by our fraternity this bonding is very meaningful. Your guidance and blessings will give us strength to fight for our right. My well wishers, Past President Present over here, you all have grace the occasion with your gracious presence. You have done a wonderful job by rendering your services to our fraternity. We owe you a lot.

With this note I will now switch over to our distinguished learned Guests. Chief Guest

Dr. B. N. Patil, Hon. Dy. Secretary Environment and member Secretary Maharashtra Coastal Zone Management Authority (MCZMA) Guest of Hon. Shri. V. K. Phatak, former Chief (T. C. & P.) MMRDA. I, on behalf of PEATA welcome both of you. Today's Topic on the board is "CRZ ... DEMYSTIFIED".

Coastal Regulation Zone Notification has remained a "Mystery" for majority of Architects and Engineers due to its degree of difficulty as well as its judicial intricacies. New CRZ Notification 2011 has created ripples amongst the Architect and Engineers fraternity. Apropos to the same PEATA has decided to arrange the seminar with a title "CRZ ... DEMYSTIFIED". We have invited both of you being expert individuals. So as to achieve better learning curve for all our members. Other two Guest of Honour Shri. Vimal Shah CMD, Ackruti Goup and Shri. K. K. Avarsekar CMD Uity Infraprojects Ltd. They may not like if I call them Guest. In fact we know Shri. Vimal Shah since long Through one of our stalverts late Shri. L. D. Babaladi, Shri. Kishore Avarsekar basically from our fraternity only. Both are educated, learned and very successful businessmen.

As every body is aware since arrival of Hon'ble M. C. Shri. Subodhkumarji i.e. for last more than two months every thing is at stand still. No concessions are being approved, The files are being send back in bulk with common zerox note to each file, no plans are being processed. Concern Zonal offices have no positive instructions from their bosses. All are worried, Many of us are confused what to reply to our clients? How to proceed further ? How to prepare feasibility of the proposal? What we want is momentum.

Ball needs to be roll. Besides there is lot of debate on code of conduct of professionals in the corridors of Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai and also by Hon'ble court. Council of Architecture a statutory Autonomous Body of Govt. of India, under the Architects Act 1972 has issued a public notice in the news papers on 9th March 2011 in pursuance of order dated 21st Feb. 2011 of Hon'ble Bombay High Court has brought to notice of all Architects to abide by professional conducts laid down by COA. This being very important factor concern with our profession we are planning to have open forum on 26th April @ M. C. Ghiya Hall. Our topic will be "A for Architect, B for Builder and C for conduct?" I wish, you all will participate in large number. Its your subject. Its for you. Coming back to today's topic.

One of our key speakers Shri. S. G. Joshi. Former Dy. Chief Engineer Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai. Now he is with us. Joined PEATA. We know him for his knowledge, and studied opinion.

Other speakers Ar. Shri. Uday Warty and Shri. Sandip Isore both are our members. Few brilliants among many of us. I welcome you all.

Shri. G. D. Chiplunkar, convener of today's seminar. We know him as a young scholar engineer since his early days in B. M. C.

Very recently he left corporation and joined the main stream. He has thorough knowledge in CRZ. His opinions are cared for and well taken at different platforms. We are very proud, he is with us.

Dear Chiplunkar we have lots of questions to be asked about CRZ.

- (1) What is CRZ ? Why CRZ ? What are its objectives ?
- (2) Why there is a need of CRZ notification 2011?
- (3) What is the difference between previous and present notification ?
- (4) What is special about notification 2011 ?
- (5) Will there be any impact on Redevelopment of cessed building in Mumbai ?
- (6) Are there any benefits to fisher folk community ?

There are many more questions. I am sure, today's forum, learned speakers will give answers to all our questions.

तुमच्या पहिला प्रश्नाचे मला उमजलेले उत्तर. **Why CRZ ? CRZ** का?..... अथांग सागर, खोलवर पसरलेले निळेशार पाणी, आकाशाला अवकाशात मिसळलेले दुसरे टोक, माणसाला सारे काही विसरायला लावते. आपण कोण? आपण खरचं किती छोटे? किती खुजे? समुद्रचं आपल्याला जाणीव करून देतो. प्रेमाच्या आणाभाका येथेच घेतल्या जातात. “सागर किनारे दिल ये पुकारे” अशी डिंपलची साद येथेच ऐकु येते. वाळूचे घरटे आणि स्वप्नातील बगीचा येथेच फुलविला जातो. वल्हव...रे नाखवा म्हणणारे आपले कोळी बांधव ह्यांची उपजिवीका ह्याच समुद्रकिनारी चालते. पण कोणाचे अंतर्मन कोणाला कळत नसते हेच खरे. शांत - संथ पाण्याला भरती येते भरतीच्या लाटा अचानक रौद्र स्वरूप धारण करतात. त्यालाच “सुनामी” म्हणतात..... क्षणार्धात होत्याचे नव्हते होते. सुखी संसार उर्ध्वस्थ होतात. आणि तेथेच जन्म होतो. **CRZ** चा. **Costal Regulation Zone**!

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