



Aeronautical Society of India

BRIEF HISTORY

The Aeronautical Society of India a professional body, devoted to advancement of aeronautical sciences and engineering in India, was founded in the year 1948. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, the great visionary of India was the first Patron-in-Chief of the Society. Currently Honorary Prime Minister Shri Atal Behari Vajpayee is the Patron-in-Chief of the Society.

The Society has its strength of more than 5000 members drawn from all major aeronautical establishments such as Defence Research & Development Establishments, Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, DGCA, Academic Institutions, Aeronautical Development Agency, Indian Air Force, Indian Space Research Organization, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, National Airports Authority of India, Air India, Indian Airlines, Jet Airways, Pawan Hans and private airlines. Most of the organizations / industries in this field in this country and abroad are Corporate Members of the Society.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Society are to promote the advancement and diffusion of the knowledge of aeronautical sciences and aircraft engineering and the elevation of the aeronautical profession.

The Aeronautical Society of India is the only forum in the country that provides intense interaction between professionals from all facets of civil and military aviation as well as the manufacturing/training/maintenance agencies. Over the years, the Aeronautical Society of India has generated large pool of aviation manpower through non-formal education and training programmes.

ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

The Society is managed by a Council consisting of a President, President-Elect, Seven Vice Presidents, the Honorary Secretary General, Honorary Treasurer and fifteen Members, twelve of whom are elected and the other three nominated to represent special interests

ACTIVITIES

The Society's activities include fraternization amongst professionals, promotion of aeronautical activities and policy and increased awareness of indigenous / international information/events through lectures, workshops and seminars on subject of topical interest.

The Society also conducts examinations in aeronautical engineering twice a year. A pass in this examination has been recognized by the Central Government in the Ministry of education as being equivalent to a degree in Aeronautical Engineering from an Indian University. Approximately 50 candidates graduate every year. The Society is thus rendering a yeoman's service by giving an opportunity to the young to acquire a degree in Aeronautical Engineering without straining the educational system and providing flexibility to students to undertake this on a part time basis. It also provides a centralized library facility to its members and students.

The Society publishes a quarterly journal containing Research and Technical papers on various facets of aeronautical sciences and a Quarterly Newsletter. The journal is of a very high standard and is rated world class.

The Society conducts an Annual Essay competition to recognize and encourage talent among young students, engineers and scientist, and awards prizes to winners.

The Society also confers a number of prestigious awards for outstanding contributions in fundamental / applied research in the field of aeronautics and space, every year.

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