

NESPAC wins hospital project in Comoros Island

The Architecture and Planning Division (Karachi), NESPAC, won a design competition organised by the Sheikh Jassim Bin Jabor Al-Thani Charitable Foundation for a 120-bed hospital in the Anjouan Islands, Comoros. In this connection, Asad I.A. Khan, Managing Director NESPAC along with Arif Changezi, Head A&P Division (Karachi), Arif Khan, Senior Architect and Afaque Haleem, Regional Manager Doha, made a presentation on the project design on January 13-15, 2011 in Doha, Qatar. The project costing US\$ 27.5 million is likely to be completed in two years.

National Highway Improvement Project

The National Highway Authority (NHA) has entrusted NESPAC with responsibility to undertake the supervision of plantation under the National Highway Improvement Project. The scope of work includes certification of plantation of about one million trees along the tentative length of 640km alongside N-5 highway. This undertaking is planned to be completed in 16 months.

NESPAC awarded two new projects

A consultancy agreement was signed between the Warid Telecom (Pvt.) Limited and NESPAC in December 2010 for the design and top supervision of ventilation system at Warid MSC-1 building, Islamabad and Warid Call Centre, Lahore. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 3 million.

Another consultancy agreement was signed in December 2010 between NESPAC and the Information, Culture and Youth Affairs Department, Government of the Punjab, for the design estimation & top supervision of HVAC system at the auditorium of the Dera Ghazi Khan Arts Council. The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 20 million.

New Chairman ERRA visits DM&R DIVISION NESPAC



New Chairman ERRA being briefed by VP DM&R

Hamid Yar Hiraj, the new Chairman of the Earthquake Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Authority (ERRA), along with his key staff visited the Disaster Management and Reconstruction Division, NESPAC, on December 10, 2010.

Jamil-ud-Din Khilji, Vice President, DM&R Division, NESPAC, made a corporate presentation highlighting NESPAC's role on projects in the earthquake-hit areas. This was the first visit of Hamid Yar Hiraj after he officially took charge of ERRA on November 26, 2010.

FWO team visits NESPAC Riyadh Office

A delegation of the Frontier Works Organization visited the NESPAC Regional Office in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) on December 5, 2010. The visit was aimed at

exploring the possibility of expanding FWO's activities in the Middle East. The delegation was welcomed by Anwar Saeed Khan, Regional Manager NESPAC Riyadh, at his office.



Major General Asif Ali (Right) presenting a memento to Anwar Saeed Khan

The delegates included Major General Asif Ali, Engineer-in-Chief Pakistan Army, Major General Najibullah Khan, Director General FWO, and Brig. (Retd.) Saeed Qadir, Director Foreign Projects, FWO. The NESPAC Regional Manager provided them information on the local market and contracting prospects in Saudi Arabia. He assured the delegation of NESPAC's full support and assistance that would be required in establishing their set-up in KSA.

Pakistan Army Engineer-in-Chief Major General Asif Ali presented a memento to Anwar Saeed Khan.

Retired

Amir Rashid, Executive Vice President, Finance Division, NESPAK, retired from services on January 2, 2011 after serving NESPAK for about 29 years. Amir Rashid joined NESPAK in 1981 and served the company with utmost professionalism and dedication. His expertise includes Corporate Management, Finance Accounts, Taxation, Audit, Legal & Company Secretarial Affairs. He also acted as the Company Secretary of NESPAK for 22 years and NESPAK Foundation for 15 years.



A farewell party was arranged on December 30, 2010, in the honour of Amir Rashid wherein Faisal Majeed, Manager Audit & Accounts, and staff of the Finance Division congratulated him on completing his successful career, admired his vital contribution he made in handling various financial, administrative, corporate & taxation matters of the Company. NESPAK wishes Amir Rashid a healthy and prosperous life.

Muhammad Ilyas Malik, Vice President/Head of Architecture and Planning (A&P) Division, Lahore, retired from NESPAK services on December 31, 2010, after attaining the age of superannuation. He joined NESPAK in 1975. Ilyas Malik graduated as an architect from the University of Engineering and Technology (UET), Lahore, and did his Master's in the Urban Planning & Development from the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), Bangkok, in 1983. He served NESPAK for 35 years. He became the Head of A&P Division, Lahore, in 2004 and was promoted as Vice President in 2008.



Senior staff members presenting a souvenir to M. Ilyas Malik

Earlier on December 30, 2010, a farewell was held in the honour of Muhammad Ilyas Malik. On this occasion, he was presented souvenirs by the senior staff of the A&P Division, Lahore.

Mukhtar Ahmad, Vice President Agriculture Division, NESPAK, retired from NESPAK services on January 4, 2011 after attaining the age of superannuation. He joined NESPAK in 1984 and served the organisation with dedication. He worked as the Project Manager and Team Leader on various mega projects and successfully completed numerous assignments related to agriculture, on-farm water management and water resources with utmost satisfaction of national and international implementing agencies. NESPAK wishes him good health and prosperity in his future life.



Meetings

A meeting was held on January 3, 2011, between the Regional Office (Peshawar) and the audit team to discuss audit observations of the Jalozei Campus, University of Engineering and Technology, Peshawar. Another meeting was held in Islamabad on January 4, 2011, between the NESPAK Peshawar Office and the Higher Education Commission (HEC) regarding the progress of work on the Jalozei Campus. Various issues faced during construction of the project were discussed. The NESPAK team also gave a presentation to the HEC members.

The Building Services Division (BSD) of NESPAK held a meeting with Fawad Hassan Fawad, Secretary Health, at the Secretariat of the Punjab Health Department, to discuss issues related to HVAC at the 220-bed Cardiac Hospital for the Rawalpindi Institute of Cardiology. The Secretary Health agreed to incorporate NESPAK's suggestions in the design documents.

BSD held a meeting with Dr. Faisal Masood, the Principal of the Services Institute of Medical Sciences, Lahore, to discuss progress of HVAC works and installation of major equipment at the institute.

Posted

Mrs. Azra Zaigham, Vice President/Head of the Business Development Division (BDD), was posted as the Vice President/Head of A&P Division Lahore, on January 1, 2011. She will now look after the affairs of the A&P Division, Lahore, as the Divisional Head, keeping the additional charge of BDD as well.



Mrs. Azra Zaigham joined NESPAK in 1976. She graduated as an architect from the UET Lahore and did her Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Hawaii (USA), in 1983 under the auspices of the East-West Centre Scholarship.

She has been serving NESPAK for the last 34 years. She became the Head of BDD in 2004 and was promoted as Vice President in January 2009.

Abdul Qayyum Chaudhry, Chief Engineer, Power and Mechanical Division, was posted as the Head of the Building Services Division, on December 22, 2010. He joined NESPAK in 1988 and has vast experience of construction, design, operation, maintenance, project management and contract administration in the field of building services and systems.



His 26-year experience includes nine years of NESPAK service abroad. He successfully completed six prestigious projects in the State of Qatar and Saudi Arabia. Major projects included Olympic-level Al-Sadd Sports Club, Al-Arabi Sports Club, Al-Sailiyah Sports Club, ABM Military College in Qatar and Saudi German Hospital in Saudi Arabia.

Academics

Muhammad Babar Sajjad, Engineer Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering Division, NESPAK received a gold medal for his outstanding performance in the subject of Construction Engineering.



The gold medal was awarded by Prime Minister Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani at the 19th convocation of the University of Engineering and Technology on December 11, 2010.

Muhammad Waqar Arshad, Engineer Geotechnical & Geoenvironmental Engineering Division, NESPAK, secured 1st position in the B.Sc Geological Engineering from the University of Engineering and Technology (UET), Lahore, in 2008. He was awarded a gold medal for his outstanding performance by Prime Minister Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani at the 19th Convocation of the UET, on December 11, 2010.



Muhammad Waqar Arshad receiving a gold medal from Prime Minister Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani



Prime Minister Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani giving away gold medal to Omer Latif

Omer Lateef, s/o Mian Abdul Lateef, Chief Engineer (Retd.) of Water Resources Division, NESPAK was awarded a gold medal by Syed Yousaf Raza Gilani, the Prime Minister of Pakistan, for securing first position in the B.Sc Electrical Engineering for the session (2004-2008) at the 19th convocation of the UET Lahore, held on December 11, 2010. Omer Lateef is the younger brother of Adil Lateef, GIS Analyst, Water Resources Division and lecturer at the Electrical Department of the UET Lahore since October 2008.

Wedding



Ms. Fatima Chohan, Architect of the Architecture and Planning Division Lahore, NESPAK, got married to Mr. Ahmad Bilal, on December 3, 2010. Ms. Fatima graduated as

an Architect in 2009 from the National College of Arts and joined NESPAK in January 2010.

Mr. Ahmad Bilal has done his MSC electrical engineering from the UET, Lahore and is currently doing his MBA from the Lahore School of Economics. Ahmad works for Motorola International. NESPAK wishes them a very happy married life.



Workshop

NESPAK professionals from DM&R Division participated in a workshop at the invitation of the United Nations Development Programme, Islamabad, held on December 22, 2010 at the Metropolitan Corporation Hall, Quetta.

It was an orientation workshop on the "Earthquake Safe Land Use Planning".

Yawer Saeed Ansari, Chief/Head GIS DM&RD, conducted a detailed session on the significance of Geographical Information System in microzonation studies and land-use planning. Mujahid Hussain, Principal Town Planner, presented the concept of land-use planning and guidelines in the earthquake-affected areas, Altaf Hussain Mishwani, Principal Town Planner, highlighted the need for water sanitation and health after natural calamities and Wajahat Ali, Engineer, conducted the last session about the construction technologies in practice and engineering considerations.

Asad I. A. Khan, MD NESPAK, along with Muhammad Omer Qayyum, Vice President Construction Management Division, visited the under construction sites namely the Traffic Police Headquarters building and the ABM Military College in Doha from January 12 to 16, 2011. The Managing Director held a meeting with NESPAK's local partner in Qatar. Besides other things it was decided that all partners of NESPAK Qatar office shall hold a meeting to discuss company issues in the 2nd week of March, 2011 in Doha. The MD also took the opportunity of meeting NESPAK personnel posted in Qatar and inspected the NESPAK Villas.

Qazi Iftikhar Ahmad, Vice President Highways and Transportation Engineering Division, visited the Sultanate of Oman in January 2011. His visit was aimed at monitoring the progress of Batinah Coastal Highway as well as other ongoing projects in Oman for which NESPAK is providing design and construction supervision services. He also met various clients to review the progress of in-hand projects.

Dr. Tahir Mahmood Hayat, Vice President Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering Division, left for Iran on January 24, 2011. The purpose of the visit was to provide technical input for the Alborz Integrated Water Resources and Environmental Management Project in Iran.

Mirza Asif Baig, Vice President Water Resources Division, visited Holland and United Kingdom (UK) in January 2011. The purpose of the visit was to prepare the case of arbitration of Kishan Ganga Hydroelectric Power Plant, to be presented in the court of law.

Mansoor Hassan Khan, Manager Internal Audit Finance Division, visited Regional Office, Saudi Arabia from January 8-14, 2011. The purpose of the visit was to carry out the audit of accounts of Regional Office Saudi Arabia for the period November 2009 - September 2010.

**MD serves on
NCA jury**

Asad I. A. Khan, the Managing Director NESPAK, was invited by the National College of Arts (NCA), Lahore, to serve on a jury on January 24-25, 2011, for the final year theses of the students of Architecture. MD NESPAK spent a busy day attending presentations by students and evaluating their theses with a group of jurors.

**Azra Zaigham
attends jury**

Mrs. Azra Zaigham, Vice President Architecture and Planning Division, Lahore, NESPAK, was nominated by the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP) to attend the National College of Arts final year thesis jury as an observer. She examined the approach, contents and creativity of theses submitted by students as well as jury's comments and evaluation.

International Geotechnical Conference

The Pakistan Geotechnical Engineering Society (PGES) in collaboration with the National Engineering Services Pakistan (Pvt.) Limited (NESPAK), the University of Engineering & Technology (UET), Lahore, and the Associated Consulting Engineers (Pvt.) Limited (ACE) organised the International Conference on Geotechnical Engineering (ICGE) on November 5-6, 2010, at UET. Chairperson Pakistan Engineering Council

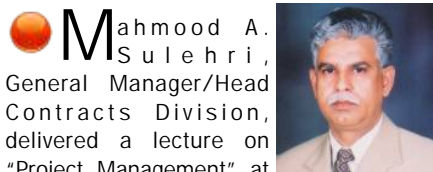
Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi was the chief guest. Dr. Tahir M. Hayat, Vice President Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering Division, was the Chairman of ICGE - 2010 Organising Committee.

Rukhsana Zuberi lauded the role of NESPAK in holding such a big event and underlined the need for closer cooperation amongst engineers.



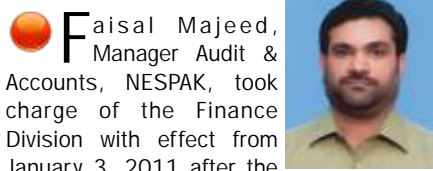
A group photo of organisers of ICGE-2010 with Ms. Rukhsana Zuberi, Chairperson Pakistan Engineering Council

Lecture



Mahmood A. Sulehri, General Manager/Head Contracts Division, delivered a lecture on "Project Management" at the Pakistan Institute of Management, Lahore, as the guest speaker on December 29, 2010. Sulehri highlighted the overall process of the project management in civil engineering works and the rules of contract interpretation. The lecture was well received and followed by a question-answer session.

Takes Charge



Faisal Majeed, Manager Audit & Accounts, NESPAK, took charge of the Finance Division with effect from January 3, 2011 after the retirement of Amir Rashid, Executive Vice President. He is the fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan and has over 8 years post-qualification experience in the Corporate Management, Finance Accounts, Taxation, Audit, Legal & Company Secretarial Affairs.

Paper

Ms. Arooj Mahmood Rana, Engineer, Foundation & Pavement Section, Geotechnical and Geoenvironmental Engineering Division, presented a paper titled "Disaster Management by Knowledge Management" in October 2010 at a conference held at Bara Gali. The conference was jointly organised by the Centre for Disaster Preparedness and Management, University of Peshawar, and the Provincial Disaster Management Authority, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Transferred

Shafqat Munir Khan and Naveed Akhtar, Senior Engineers, have been transferred from the NESPAK Regional Office Peshawar to the Disaster Management & Reconstruction Division, Islamabad.

Muhammad Naveed, Inspector, has been transferred from the Regional Office Peshawar to the Neelum-Jhelum Project.

Disaster management training course

A training course on "Disaster Risk Management" for the Punjab province was organised by the Provincial Disaster Management Authority and the National Institute of Disaster Management on December 27-31, 2010 in Lahore.

Ms. Ayesha Tanvir, Architect from the Architecture and Planning Division Lahore, NESPAK, attended the course, representing the Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners.

The purpose of the course was to enable professionals to integrate disaster management into their development programmes and policies.



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