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AICE'18

November 16-17, Hyderabad, India

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Panel Discussion (from left to right): David LaFrance - CEO - American Water Works Association, Dr. Jeevananda Reddy - Former Chief Technical Advisor - WMO/UN & Expert - FAO/UN, Sanjay Kamat - Chair AW-India & VP Corporate Initiatives & Strategy - Tata Projects, Dr. DM Mohan - Consultant - World Bank on Rural and Urban Water Supply & Sanitation, Dr. M Satyanarayana - Executive Director - Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply & Sewerage Board (HMWSSB), and Dr. G Rameshwar Rao - Chairman - IEI Hyderabad

THE AMERICAN WATER Works Association, India organized its second international annual conference 'AICE'18 - Total Water Solutions' in India on 16-17th November 2018 in Hyderabad.

Pursuant with its stated goal, AICE'18 endeavored to unite the Indian water industry with an objective to bring together policy-makers, utili-

ties, practicing engineers and academicians in order to find innovative solutions for the challenges facing the water industry.

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AWWA; and Sanjay Kamat, Chair, AWWAIndia Strategic Board interacted with leaders from HMWSSB, CMWSSB, RWS, GHMC, PHED, Foundation for Futuristic Cities, World Bank, and many more distinguished attendees over a period of two days.

The conference had over 25 presentations classified under various sessions such

as utility management, water supply regulations - drivers and reality, rural water supply & sanitation, recovery, reuse & sustainability, and water sector - lessons learned & opportunities.

Presentations touched upon the most pressing challenges faced by India including non-revenue Water, ensuring clean and safe drinking water, policy and regulations for the water, etc.

Various innovative technologies were presented to help

They exchanged ideas on making the water sector more inclusive and diverse.

Majority of the attendees at the AICE'18 said that the technical content of the conference was excellent and covered a diverse set of topics ranging across the spectrum of water and wastewater management.

This is what the attendees had to say after the AICE'18 conference: "Please conduct these type of conferences at least once in two months in Hyderabad", "Very good ef-



Delegates at AICE'18

solve some of these challenges.

The 2nd 'Women's Networking Forum' was organized on the sidelines of AICE'18. The attendance of women water professionals jumped by 42% from last year.

forts to focus on water-related problems", "Conference was lively and exciting in all way", and "An event with Technical Invoice".

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Women's Networking Forum: David LaFrance with All Attendees

Some of the key speakers included Karuna Gopal, President, Foundation for Futuristic Cities; K Ashok Natarajan, CEO, Tamil Nadu Water Investment Company Ltd; Dr. M Satyanarayana, Executive Director, Hyderabad Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (HMWSSB); Meena Narula - Country Director, Water For People India; Dr. T Prabhushankar, IAS, Executive Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board (CMWSSB); and DG Sonwane, Group Sector Head, Built Environment - Tata Consulting Engineers Ltd.