

# OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS



Dear Respected Member,

ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) is delighted to share about the previous month's activities.

**IAFI Annual General Meeting (AGM):** 19th AGM of the ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) was held on 28<sup>th</sup> October at CSOI, New Delhi and considered the details of the activities and accounts during FY21-22. The 19th AGM also conducted the bi-annual elections and new office bearers were elected. Details of the new office bearers can be seen at our website.

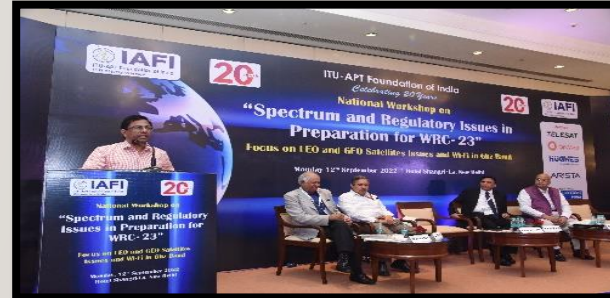
**Annual Dinner Reception :** ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) organized the Annual Dinner Reception after the 19th AGM at CSOI, KG Marg hosted by the Executive council of IAFI. The 19th AGM marks the completion of 20 years of IAFI as an organization and was an important occasion to express our appreciation towards the senior officers from various depts such as DoT, TRAI, TEC, WPC, BSNL, COAI etc. This dinner reception was a meet and greet for all the telecom fraternity and was very well attended by the society members and appreciated by all.

**Workshop on New Telecom Law:** ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) along with "Telecom Equipment Manufacturers Association (TEMA) organized a virtual workshop on 13th October 2022 to review the draft of the New Telecom law. The event was addressed by the Department of Telecom as well as eminent telecom and legal luminaries including Sr. Advocate, Lalit Bhasin, President Society of Indian Law Firms and Shri. PK Malhotra, the former Law Secretary and others."

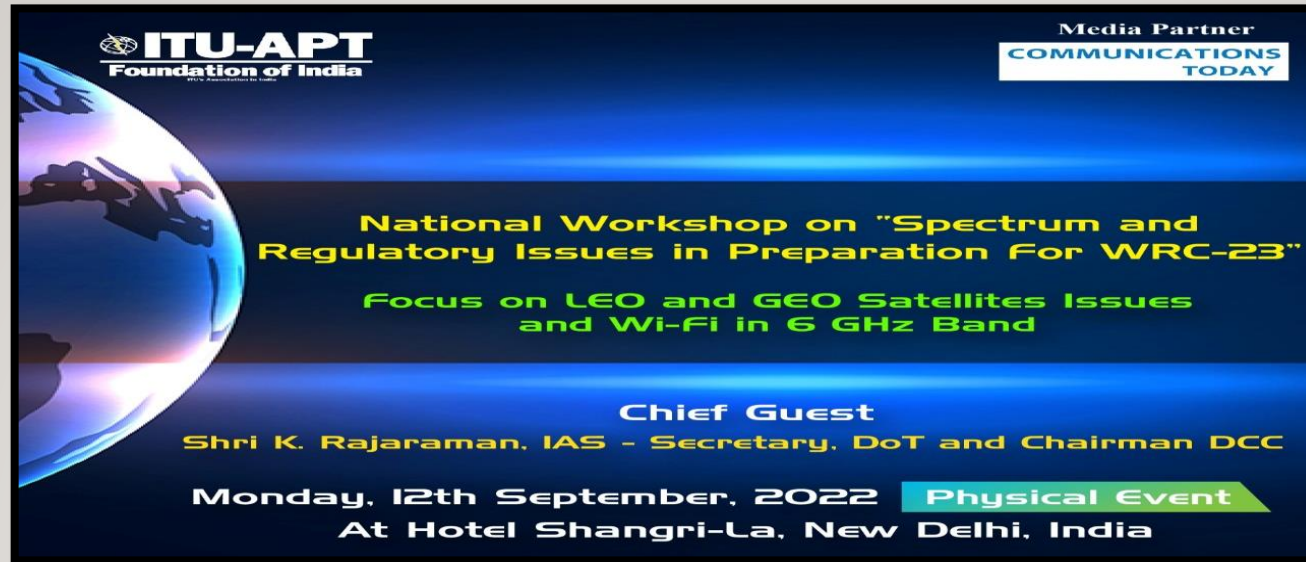
**6GHz Wi-Fi demo at IMC-22 :** The opening of the 6GHz band is the biggest spectrum addition to Wi-Fi. Wi-Fi 6E adds support for 6GHz spectrum, plus faster wireless

# MEDIA SHOWCASE: FOLLOWING ITEMS RELATING TO IAFI WERE COVERED IN THE MEDIA

- [IAFI and TEMA call for simplification of the Draft Telecom Bill | Communications Today](#)
- [APT nominates IAFI President to lead Wi-Fi 6 studies | Communications Today](#)
- [Don't auction satellite spectrum if you want good rural broadband, says chief of telco body IAFI \(theprint.in\)](#)
- [Asian countries to support India's candidate for ITU Regulation Board elections | Communications Today](#)
- [IAFI hosts global workshop on challenges & opportunities in Green Telecom | Telecom Magazine India \(communicationstoday.co.in\)](#)
- [Global UN body ITU adopts 6G mobile technology trends | Communications Today](#)
- [IAFI hosts World Wi-Fi Day celebrations | Communications Today](#)
- [3GPP approves IAFI's 600 MHz band plan | Communications Today](#)
- [ITU global conference on telecom development starts in Africa | Communications Today](#)
- [5G networks: IAFI seeks policy support to allocate spectrum for captive 5G networks, Telecom News, ET Telecom \(indiatimes.com\)](#)
- [IAFI seeks policy framework for industrial, enterprise 4G/5G networks | Communications Today](#)
- [A Summary outcome of World Radio Conference 2019 \(WRC-19\) & WRC-23 Outlook](#)
- [DoT Secretary tells stakeholders to increase participation in ITU activities](#)
- [IAFI Celebrates World Telecom & Information Society Day](#)
- [5G and Beyond Towards 6G, An Industry Overview](#)



# PAST IAFI EVENT



**ITU-APT**  
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**COMMUNICATIONS**  
TODAY

**National Workshop on "Spectrum and Regulatory Issues in Preparation For WRC-23"**

Focus on LEO and GEO Satellites Issues and Wi-Fi in 6 GHz Band

**Chief Guest**  
Shri K. Rajaraman, IAS - Secretary, DoT and Chairman DCC

Monday, 12th September, 2022 **Physical Event**  
At Hotel Shangri-La, New Delhi, India

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# UPCOMING IAFI EVENT



**IAFI**  
ITU-APT Foundation of India  
ITU's Association in India

EVENT MANAGER  
**Be**  
BHARAT EXHIBITIONS

**2nd INDIA SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE**

6TH - 7TH DECEMBER, 2022

LE MERIDIEN HOTEL, NEW DELHI

[Registration](#)

## LINKS TO OUR ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMMES

1) [IAFI's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting](#)

2) [42<sup>nd</sup> Working Party 5D Documents](#)

3) [Indian Telecommunication Bill](#)

4) [IAFI's Annual Dinner Reception](#)

5) [PP-22, India's Dinner Reception](#)

6) [India's Spectrum Conundrums](#)



# IAFI MEMBERSHIP



ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) is a non-profit, non-political, non-partisan Industry foundation registered as a society under the Societies Registration Act, 1960. IAFI is working for the last 20 years with the prime objective of encouraging the involvement of professionals, corporate, public/private sector industries, R&D organizations, academic institutions, and such other agencies engaged in the development of Indian Telecom sector. The 19th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of ITU-APT Foundation of India (IAFI) was held on October 28, 2022 at CSOI, KG Marg. The AGM elected the new office bearers of the Society for the years 22-23 and 23-24. The AGM also noted the annual report of the work of the society during the past year 2021-22, which covered the increased work in ITU & APT Activities, with submission of 13 contributions to WP5D, 7 contributions in WP5A and 6 documents for WRC-23 which were submitted to WPC.

The benefits provided to the members include an invitation to all the events of the Foundation which include: Training programs, seminars, workshops, etc. conducted by the society on a complimentary basis, EC Members shall have access to information related to ITU and APT and other telecom journals where members can subscribe.

Members are eligible to participate in ITU-T, ITU-D, and APT activities under our membership.

The individual Membership Fee of IAFI has been reversed to the previous fee that was applicable since the beginning.

Please click: [Membership details](#)



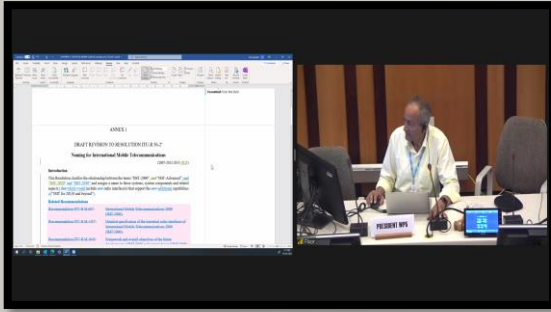
# NEW GOVERNING COUNCIL OF IAFI

Position	Name of the Member
Chairman	<a href="#">Shri Tilak Raj Dua</a>
Co-Chairman	<a href="#">S P Purwar</a>
Vice Chairman	<a href="#">Prof. NK Goyal</a> , <a href="#">Shri Pawan Kumar Garg</a>
Members	All Executive Members and All Members

# NEW EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IAFI

Position	Name of the Member
President	<a href="#">Shri Bharat Bhatia</a>
Vice President	<a href="#">Shri Jitendra Singh</a> , <a href="#">Shri RK Mishra</a> , <a href="#">Shri Rakesh Mehrotra</a> , <a href="#">Shri RP Agrawal</a> , <a href="#">Shri Rajesh Mehrotra</a> , <a href="#">Shri K.S Srinivas</a> , <a href="#">Shri D Vemana Chary</a>
Secretary General	<a href="#">Shri Satya.N. Gupta</a>
Treasurer	<a href="#">Shri HC Soni</a>
Executive Member	<a href="#">Shri Vijay Kumar Gupta</a> , <a href="#">Shri BK Mitra</a> , <a href="#">Shri S S Motial.</a> , <a href="#">Shri Aloknath De</a> <a href="#">Shri Manoj Mittal</a> , <a href="#">Shri Ariff Khan</a> , <a href="#">Shri Shyam Kaushal</a> , <a href="#">Shri Umesh Kumar Gupta</a>

# ACTIVITIES IN OUR FOCUS AREAS DURING SEPT 22



**42<sup>nd</sup> meeting of WP5D:** The 42<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the ITU WP5D, which is responsible for the overall radio system aspects of IMT (4G, 5G and 6G) began on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October 2022, and concluded on the 21<sup>st</sup> of October. IAFI President Mr. Bharat Bhatia is chairing the group on 5G for industrial applications of 5G along with Mr. Jitendra Singh (DG Chair) in the meeting. 9 contributions submitted by the IAFI were successfully presented and accepted. Many IAFI members have been registered as delegates for the meetings and are actively participating in these meetings. In addition, 2 contributions submitted by IAFI to the NSG and submitted by the Indian administration were also accepted and incorporated into the working documents, including the one on 600 MHz arrangements.



**India's big win at ITU PP-22 Meeting in Bucharest:** Mrs. Revathi Mannepalli, India's Candidate for Member, Radio Regulations Board (RRB) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) won the elections with the support of 139 countries out of 180 countries that voted in these elections. She got the highest number of votes in Region E – Asia and middle east. Candidates from Saudi Arabia and China also won while Indonesia lost the RRB elections. India also won a seat in the administrative council with the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest votes winning the support of 160 countries. China was the last winner of the 8 seats for Region E with only 135 supporters



**IAFI RESPONSE ON NEW TELECOM LAW:** IAFI has submitted our coordinated response to the consultation paper by the Department of Telecommunication on the need for a New Legal Framework Governing Telecommunication in India. The paper has been drafted by IAFI core members & various stakeholders. This consultation paper focuses on the updating the 1985 Indian Telegraph Act for enabling a future – ready framework for the development of new technologies. Furthermore, the proposed new law would bring in regulatory clarity and lay down a specific legal framework for digital India. The timeline for the submission of the new draft telecom bill has been extended to the 10<sup>th</sup> of November and IAFI has recalibrated its response to the consultation paper on terms of recommendations and comments and prepared a cover note and document for the Department of Telecommunications

