

Dear Members,

Wish you a very happy new year 2012. We begin the year with our Spring edition of Quarterly newsletter of PMI West Bengal Chapter - KONNECT. Last year we achieved quite a few key milestones as a budding chapter. We expect to make this year even better. While PMP training, PM Network and annual yearly conference would continue, we have opportunities for corporate PM trainings, Project oriented workshops queued up this year.

In last few months chapter got associated to various organizations of the likes TCS, Hindustan Copper Limited from the region, to host mutually beneficial programs. Chapter would encourage you to build an effective connect between your organization and the Chapter to yield similar two-way-benefit.

Effective collaboration would help our region to be better informed on the ever changing needs of Project Management. Take your small step to regional leadership from your world of influence.

Cheers
Editor's Desk

PMIWBC's Annual Conference Aviskar 2011

Project Management Institute (PMI) West Bengal Chapter hosted its first annual conference - "Aviskar" on 17th December 2011 in a city hotel. Dr. Subrata Gupta, Managing Director of Metro Railways West Bengal was the key speaker for the event. He shared challenges of **government projects** and how often the purpose of the project itself is a questioned over course of project execution. The Chapter appreciated a registered non-profit organization, **Prayasam** for its extraordinary contribution to under-privileged children of West Bengal. The conference delegates played the "Ball Game" conducted by Mr. Hiren Doshi experienced **Agile** Coach and consultant to taste the flavor of agile project execution.



The event participated by 65 project Managers and aspirants of various capacities were enthralled to meet Mr. Jimmy Tangree, station owner Red FM. His show-time was very informative with facts from need of **creative project managers** in radio industry in coming years at a National level to the crux of a unique media project - setting a radio station.

The Chapter mentor Mr. Ramam Atmakuri, VP Cognizant Technology Solutions was the last speaker of the day sharing a quick view of **360 degree leader**. The conference offered a **panel discussion** with Mr Saborno De, a distinguished toastmaster and Mr. Tejas Sura, pre-appointed mentor of PMI moderated by Mrs. Alkananda Rao, CEO AlvarySys systems. The panel gave audience an opportunity to explore various facets of project manager's preparedness for **agile world of tomorrow** balancing skills and **ethics**. Chapter leadership feels this to be a significant step for a matured project execution **mindset building**. Aviskar 2011 echoed **focus on communication** among **children and students** may ensure a better project and society of tomorrow.

Corporate Training for PSU



HCL PM Training session

Project Management Awareness Program for Hindustan Copper Limited - The Chapter conducted a two day Project Management Awareness Program for the project management professionals of Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL), a public sector enterprise of the Government of India. It has the distinction of being India's only vertically integrated copper producing company encompassing mining, beneficiation, smelting, refining and casting of refined copper metal.

In order to better prepare their staff with the knowledge and skills required to work effectively in some of their strategic large scale projects over the coming years, the Senior Management of HCL took the initiative to train their staff in project management methodology based on PMI standards.

The Training was conducted on 3rd & 4th Dec. 2011 in Kolkata at HCL's corporate headquarters. The training was attended by 28 executives coming from its 3 mining locations Malanjkhand (M.P), Khetri (Rajasthan) and Ghatsila (Jharkhand). The varied profile of the attendees, ranging from experienced project managers to graduate engineers made the training sessions interactive and facilitated the sharing of wealth of experience in executing public sector projects.

Learn and Earn

Tea Seminar of “**Conflicts – Are They Really Bad**”, the 4th edition of L&E series of events happened on 4th February @ **Delta Park Wanderers - LnD section in Tata Consultancy Services, Kolkata**. It was attended well by PM fraternity from both IT & Non-IT world of Kolkata. The speakers for this event were Ms. Sanhita Mukherjee (Deputy Assistant Director, Department of Consumer, Govt. of West Bengal), Mr. Sumit Sinha (Director – Training, PMIWBC) & Ms. Annie Acharya (HR Partner in IBM). Sumit shared a perspective of conflicts management from IT projects perspective, Sanhita had put forward her views bringing in experience of managing Govt. sector projects. Annie on the other hand shared the HR perspective on this subject. The discussion was very captivating and the audience was also equally participative in having a both way communication with speakers.

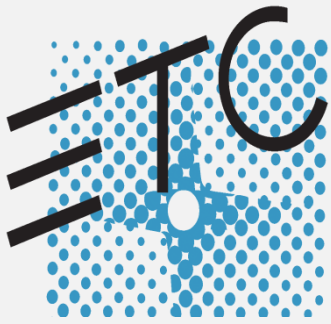
Agile Workshop

- PMIWC would be organizing a
- **Workshop on Agile Methodology, Scrum and Project Management**
- with the aim to generate awareness
- bringing in the project management
- perspective on the Agile projects.
- The workshop is going to be a pre-cursor to future training session for the aspirants aiming for **ACP certification**.

Event details

- **Date : 17th March 2012, Saturday**
- **Place: Kolkata**
- **Faculty: Mr. Hiren Doshi**
- Interested participants can connect with Director Programs (Soumendra Kr. Das) for enquiring more about this workshop or drop a mail to pmiwestbengalchapter@gmail.com





Etc that matters

Can you sense the pulse of a weak team?

Multiple failures points can result in a weak team. But a **common syndrome** in such failure state is ignorance of project management triangle – Scope, Time and Cost interpolated to individual tasks and how it binds to the big picture. If you chance to manage such a project, take a time off to educate team. The multiplied knowledge helps to bridge the gap and often helps to steer back a failing project to success.

Empower team members with basic project execution and monitoring knowledge.



Announcement

Articles for PMI KONNECT Newsletter

PMI West Bengal Chapter is publishing its Quarterly Newsletter on a regular basis. The editorial team invites short articles or news snippets from you on topics related to Project Management

Guidelines: It should be of your own, should not have copied from any copyright material and you have to declare it explicitly that it's own creation and you take responsibility if it is a violation of copyright laws.

- You need not to be a PMIWBC Chapter member to send articles.
- Articles must be submitted latest by end of 2nd month in that quarter. Articles submitted after this deadline will be considered submitted for the subsequent quarter's newsletter.
- Articles should be less than 150 words
- Articles must be submitted electronically, via email to pmiwestbengalchapter@gmail.com with your photo and a short profile of yourself.
- **PDU's Available for Articles:** Articles fall under the "self-study" category—i.e. the research time to write the article. Each author whose article is published will receive one **2 PDU's** per article.



PMIWB Chapter Members Welcome

The Chapter currently has 180+ members and has grown by another 46% since the last autumn edition of the Chapter newsletter was published. We welcome our new team members :

- Abhijit Chakladar
- Abhishek Goswami
- Abhishek Pandey
- Amit Chatterjee
- Amit Sarkar
- Amitav Dasmohapatra
- Anirban Dasgupta
- Ariful Mondal
- Arindam Choudhury
- Arnab Banerjee
- Basab Nandi
- Bubun Ghosh
- Chandresh Murti
- Chinmayee Mishra
- Debasis Saha
- Hemant Kumar Poddar
- Indranil Lahiri
- Jayanta Narayan Deb
- Kalyan Mahato
- Kalyan Sahoo
- Karthik Kumar Ramamurthy
- Kunal Basu
- Mahesh Chhatlani
- Nilanjan Chanda
- Nishit Bariar
- Palash Pal

- Partha Pratim Das
- Phalguni Ghatak
- Pijush Ghosh
- Rittwik Ray
- Ritu Bose
- Rupak Kumar Paul
- Sagarnil Sengupta
- Sajal Kumar Ghosh
- Sandeep Ghatak
- Sanjay Bagchi
- Sanjay Guha
- Sanjoy Dalal
- Santanu Mukherjee
- Saumava Roychowdhury
- Saunak Chowdhury
- Sazzit Sahoo
- Shantanu Chakraborty
- Sharmistha Mallik
- Sonal Chourasia
- Soumik Bose
- Sourav Debnath
- Subhajit Mukhopadhyay
- Subir Dey
- Sudipta Chattopadhyay
- Sudipta Dasgupta
- Sudipto Bhattacharya

- Sujit Kumar Biswas
- Suman Munshi
- Sumit Trivedi
- Tapan Chakrabarti
- Tapan Kumar Jena
- Tushar Kanti Maiti
- Vineet Kumar



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