



## Dear Members,

Season's Greetings to all members, patrons and volunteers of the Chapter. Thank you for your continuous support as the chapter completes yet another year of great accomplishments and achievements. In October 2013, Chapter received award of excellence from PMI in a global congress at New Orleans, USA, for its exceptional performance. In November 2013, we celebrated the Chapter's Annual Conference - Aviskar 2013, which added the final few celebration moments to this year's event album of the chapter.

As we gear up for a new year, chapter continues its focus on spreading *Project Management* awareness in the region. The training and event calendar for 2014 would be published in the website [www.pmiwbc.org](http://www.pmiwbc.org). The Chapter looks forward to take its mission and vision one step ahead in the upcoming year. Encourage each one of you to join the chapter, be a volunteer for a cause and make a difference for yourself.

**Wishing you a very happy new year 2014!**

**Cheers  
Editor's Desk**

## COVER STORY

## AVISKAR 2013

PMI West Bengal Chapter organized its third annual conference "Aviskar 2013" on 30<sup>th</sup> November in Kolkata. The conference provided great opportunity for project management practitioners across industries, government, academia, and social sectors to *Connect the Dots* to excel project execution. The event started with the ceremonial diya lighting by the Chief Guest of the day Dr. B. P. Sharma, Director Airport Authority and Mr. Ashok Mukherjee VP HR, TCS who was accompanied by Ms. Sonali Bhattacharya, MR. Sumit Sinha and Mr. Soumendra Kumar Das, the President, Vice President and Program Director of PMIWBC respectively.



The events for the day rolled off with a high energy, short welcome speech by Ms. Sonali Bhattacharya inspiring the audience to proactively volunteer for the community. Keynote Speaker, Dr. B.P. Sharma shared anecdotes of award winning airport project and how they incorporated Kolkata culture in the architectural engineering. Audience was astounded by the scale of project management and how the mega project completed on time and within budget. Mr. Ashok Mukherjee shared thought-provoking insights about varying aspirations of different generations at workplace and how companies are managing the expectations of millennial.

Ms. Reseena Abdullah enlightened audience with details of the diversity and depth of activities embarked by PMI. Prof. Buddhadeb Chattopadhyay expressed his views about the responsibility of academia and industry in the advancement of education system. In the second half, CEO Arijit Bhattacharyya shared heartening story of his struggle to build an enterprise against all odds and inspired the audience to consider entrepreneurship as career option

Delegates enjoyed the witty debate on “Mindshare or Mindset – which is the biggest challenge of Eastern India?” This discussion helped the audience in understanding the challenges from different dimensions and the strengths of the region on which they can chart their way forward towards growth.

**As part of its commitment to the social cause, the Chapter appreciated and felicitated Third Eye Foundation, an NGO in and around Kolkata who have been working tirelessly over the years to turn their focused efforts in bringing the pleasure of reading to the print for visually challenged.**

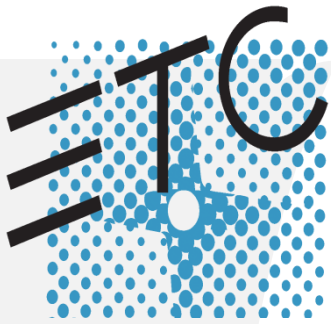
True to its theme of Connect the Dots – The chapter successfully celebrated the day in a high spirit where eminent speakers from various sectors, shared real life insights in project management practices with the PMIWBC delegates.

## AVISKAR 2013



The conference was organized by a team 20 volunteers in various capacities with Mr. Soumendra Kumar Das Director Programs, chairing the conference and Mr. Tapan Kumar Jena Assistant Director Programs, driving it in the role of program manager. International Institute of Learning ( IIL ) and Straxium collaborated to be conference sponsors. 190 delegates from 20 organizations across industries, 4 academic institutes , a few social houses participated in the conference.

It was an eight months long program from initialization to closure and like yesteryears, this platform gave opportunity to new volunteer leaders to join the chapter leadership team. With each growing year the conference reinforces spread of PMI and its awareness across all the three communities that the chapter aims to bring benefit. Corporate , academia , social & government are the key communities that the chapter strives to bring a difference . Aviskar 2013 was just a step forwards to foster professionalism and promote the quality and reach of project management.



## Etc that matters

### Get the salary survey

**The PMI Project Management Salary Survey — Eighth Edition** is available at [the Marketplace](#).

The PMI Project Management Salary Survey provides the most comprehensive look at project management salaries, measuring compensation across eight major position description levels in 33 countries.

## Chapter recognition



**October 2013, At leadership institute meet in New Orleans US ; PMI West Bengal Chapter received award of excellence in Category I**

***(Chapters with less than 300 members)***

***The chapter president Ms. Sonali Bhattacharya received the recognition from PMI board members Ms. Deanna Landers ( extreme right ) and President & CEO PMI worldwide Mr. Mark Langley (extreme left). The chapter leadership thanks its board, members, volunteers, advisors and patrons for the great accomplishment in the startup years of the chapter.***



## Announcement

January  
11<sup>th</sup> - Learn & Earn

February  
01<sup>th</sup> , 02<sup>nd</sup>, 08<sup>th</sup> & 09<sup>th</sup> - PMP Prep training  
15<sup>th</sup> – Workshop

March  
22<sup>nd</sup> - Learn & Earn

April  
05<sup>th</sup> , 06<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> - PMP Prep training  
19<sup>th</sup> – Workshop

May  
17<sup>th</sup> , 18<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> - PMP Prep training

June  
21<sup>th</sup> - Learn & Earn

July  
19<sup>th</sup> , 20<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>h</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> - PMP Prep training

August  
23<sup>rd</sup> – Workshop

September  
20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> - PMP Prep training

October  
11<sup>th</sup> - Learn & Earn

November  
08<sup>th</sup>, 09<sup>th</sup> , 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> - PMP Prep training  
29<sup>th</sup> – Annual Conference

## Chapter calendar 2014

## Chapter welcomes our new members

A warm welcome and hearty wishes for a successful career in project management.

Mr. Deepanjan Banerjee  
Mr. Karunamoy Barman  
Mr. Ahirjoy Biswas  
Mr. Suman Mondal  
Mr. Prasenjeet Roy  
Mr. Niladri Basu  
Mr. Suman Chowdhury  
Mr. Amit Kumar Sarkar  
Mr. Santosh Kumar Mahanto  
Mr. Gobinda Palchowdhury

Mr. Deepanka Mitra  
Mr. Amit Senapati  
Mr. Saurav Ghosal  
Mr. Subhankar Kundu  
Mr. Arindam Chakraborty  
Mr. Joydev Das  
Mr. Arindam Haldar  
Mr. Joy Mazumder  
Mr. Subrat Swain

### CAC Members



**Susweta Mukherjee**  
Principal Consultant  
Tata Consultancy Services

Ms. Susweta Mukherjee from chapter region has been selected as member of Champion Advisory Committee of PMI India. The committee nurtures and ensures the purpose of the champion program of PMI. Congratulations Susweta!  
PMI champion programs gives opportunity to members to create, mature and sustain a collaborative and scalable model for the advocacy program by partnering with the community to promote the profession of project management. For more information visit <http://www.pmi.org.in/champion-program>

## Volunteer for the chapter and enhance your profile

Volunteer experience is getting integrated with professional profile. A professional survey states volunteer work is equally valuable as paid work experience, in today's skill evaluation process. Popular professional network LinkedIn recently added an opportunity to add volunteer experience to profile. Volunteer your time for chapter, and increase your opportunities for leadership, collaboration, networking and enhanced professional profile.

## Volunteer of the Quarter

"Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something"; Chapter recognizes and appreciates the effort and support of volunteers for their contribution

Special  
Appreciation as  
"Volunteer of  
Quarter, Winter  
2013" goes to  
Kalyan Mahato.



Kalyan has been spot volunteering across portfolio needs, in addition he is lead volunteer for chapter website admin.

**Congratulations Kalyan!**

## Corporate Session

PMI West Bengal Chapter presented a session on "Search of magic number" an IT perspective for business growth on Ericsson campus in Kolkata. The leadership team in Ericsson was very encouraging and the mutual collaboration was quite effective. Chapter plans to conduct similar session in various organization campuses to raise awareness of PMI and project management thoughts and trends across industries in future.

Share your thoughts and suggestions to [pmiwbc.communication@pmiwbc.org](mailto:pmiwbc.communication@pmiwbc.org)

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