

Message from
Mr. A. K. Basu, President,
Indian Institute of Welding

Dear Members,

The closing ceremony of the Silver Jubilee Year of IIW held at Taj Bengal in the after-noon of 22nd April 1991 evoked tremendous response and many past Presidents, Secretaries had attended to grace the occasion. Followed by the closing ceremony, a seminar - "Welding in Steel Plants" was organised by IIW Calcutta Branch, where Mrs. Rajani Rajdhan, Director of Iron & Steel Control, was the special guest and eminent personalities like Dr. JJ Irani and Mr. MN Dastur gave inaugural speech. Undoubtedly, the seminar was a very timely event and appreciated by Ministry of Steel.

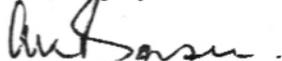
As a part of the activities in the field of welding, I would request all branch officials to mail more and more details of branch activities to Headquarter so that the same can be published in The Indian Welding Journal (IWJ) on a regular basis. I would also like to see more and more advertisements from the institution's corporate members, individual members which, in turn, will open the more opportunities to know each other in a much better way and also to uplift the quality of journals for the benefit of members.

I must add here that every year the outstanding dues from 1/3rd of the total members remain unrealised resulting in financial position of the Institute very precarious. I take this opportunity to request to all members whose membership fees are still outstanding to clear them immediately to enable Institute to get over the financial stringency. Similarly, our dues to "The International Institute of Welding" over past two years i.e. 1990 and 1991 remained default and the financial burden is nearly Rs. 2 lakhs for every year. All members are very keen to continue our membership to "The International Institute of Welding" and expressed their sentiments for continuation of the same. Under the circumstances, I request all branches to contribute Rs. 10,000/- each as a special donation to Headquarter for payment to "The International Institute of Welding".

The Indian Welding Journal (IWJ) has now become popular and I hope more and more Industrial Corporate Members, Fabricators, Manufacturers of various welding products and accessories would take full opportunity for advertising and publishing their products in "PRODUCT NEWS" column of IWJ. These facilities will remain open to every one and this will enable our members to be in touch with all the new products and process coming in the industries.

We had recently concluded the Annual General Meeting of IIW and I am glad that the members of new committee are committed to the betterment of institution's activities during the coming months.

Thanking you,


A.K. Basu