IWPA Circular No.148 of 2015



Dear Friends

Request to register for the 4th International Wind Conference & Exhibition (WE20 by 2020) to be held at Coimbatore on June 21 to 23, 2015

The wind industry did not witness growth for the last two years. It was unanimously decided to request re-introduction of the "Accelerated Depreciation Scheme" as absolutely essential to spur growth. Your Association had taken up this task against all odds and made it happen. This movement to re-introduce AD, actually was initiated during our WE20 by 2020 in 2012 at Coimbatore and gained currency and momentum when we were able to convince the then Hon'ble Minister Dr. Farouk Abdullah and other top policy makers. This was possible when he had come to Coimbatore to inaugurate the 3rd Edition of the WE20 by 2020 and he saw for himself our large gathering and the level of discussions and was impressed with the deliberations and the points put forth by us at our 2012 Conference.

Today the wind industry is facing the following challenges in addition to evacuation issues that affect our Members.

- 1. LVRT to be compulsorily fitted on all machines irrespective of age, make and size.
- 2. Forecast data should be given individually by all WEGs irrespective of age and size.
- 3. There is a move to remove compulsorily all Wind Mills older than 20 years under the "Repowering" programme.

All these issues could find an answer when the policy makers see our large gatherings and hear our point of view and are convinced with it and help them frame workable and rational policies. We have a good opportunity when one of the key policy makers in the country, the Chairperson of CERC is coming to Coimbatore on June 21, 2015 to inaugurate our 4th Edition of WE20 by 2020.

We will never get a better opportunity or a forum to display our unity and strength in large numbers to convince the policy makers of our stand. We should seize this opportunity at WE20 by 2020 on June 21 to 23, 2015. Customarily, we compile the key action points emanating from the deliberations at the Conference which we present to the concerned authorities. You should all rally around your Association and strengthen its hands by your participation and personally benefit from it.

Therefore, I appeal to all to turn up in large numbers and it is in impressive numbers that we can exhibit our strength and resolve. IWPA has always made a mark and contributed in the evolving of national policies by the presence of large numbers whether it is a meeting in Delhi or elsewhere and especially in Coimbatore.

Each and every member may send at least two of their personnel as delegates to attend the Conference. The participation fee is only Rs. 5,000/- for three days. The Programme schedule is attached and you will find that all the sessions are contemporary and currently relevant. You will have to arrange your own travel and stay arrangements. Help us to make this Conference and Exhibition a success. You could register on-line or contact our National Office who would be glad to assist.

Thanking you with Best Wishes and regards,

For Indian Wind Power Association

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Encl: as above

Chairman