

2nd SESSION

of

**PUBLIC POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(PPAC)**

**Naveen Tandon – Chair
Shyam Nair – Co-Chair**

**APNIC 36, Xi'AN , China
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14:00 PM – 14:05 PM	Registration and Seating of Participants
14:05 PM – 14:10 PM	Welcome / Introduction to the second meeting followed by a brief presentation on PPAC update by Mr. Naveen Tandon, Chair, Working Group on PPAC
14:10 PM – 14:35 PM	Discussion on PPAC Draft Charter and Approval for Incorporation
14:35 PM – 14:55 PM	<p>Regional Updates from Community Members of the Respective Economies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internet Policy Update – India Brajesh Jain, President – Citycom Networks Private Limited - Internet NZ Public Policy update Dean Pemberton, Technical Policy Advisor, Internet NZ
14:55 PM - 15:25 PM	<p>Individual presentations by participants on topics of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Internet Governance – significance of multi-stakeholderism Rajnesh D. Singh, Regional Director, Asia-Pacific Regional Bureau, Internet Society (ISOC) - Importance of Digital Literacy for Internet Penetration Amrita Choudhry, Director, Cyber Café Association of India (CCAOI) - IPDR for NATTED Internet Traffic Brajesh Jain, President Citycom Networks Private Limited
15:25 PM – 15:30 PM	Q&A Session / Taking stock and way forward
15:30 PM	Vote of Thanks by Mr. Shyam Nair, Co-Chair, Working Group on PPAC Meeting Ends

About PPAC

- Public Policy Advisory Committee (PPAC) in APNIC is a multi stakeholder formal advisory body comprising of:
 - Industry / Community participants
 - Government Representatives
- PPAC is a framework to institutionalize the private ~ public engagement within APNIC on matters relating to Public Policies encompassing all the facets of Internet.
- PPAC's role will be to work with APNIC on matters related to Public Policy Issues for development of internet in the region.
- It will pro-actively advise APNIC on new policies/emerging developments in the respective regions.
- It will also provide APNIC an opportunity to participate in the policy developments processes of respective member countries.

About PPAC....contd

- PPAC will aim to provide an interface with appropriate Governmental organizations on matters related to the Internet community.
- Advise all stakeholders to propose ways and means to accelerate the availability and affordability of the Internet in their regions.
- Discuss public policy issues to foster sustainability, security, stability and development of the Internet;
- Facilitate the exchange of information and best practices.
- Strengthen and enhance the engagement of stakeholders in existing and/or future Internet policy developments;
- Identify emerging issues and to bring them to the attention of APNIC community.
- Discuss issues related to critical Internet resources.
- Work as an advocacy group to help the Government make informed decision in overall interest of growth of internet.

Quick Facts

- Inaugural Session was held on 26th February 2013
- Duration 90 minutes
- Well attended with active participation.
 - Around 90 participants attended the session.
 - Includes both present in person and through remote hubs.
 - Stakeholders from all categories (Government, Industry, Technical etc) attended the session.
 - Reflects true multi-stakeholderism.
- Discussion on content and functioning of PPAC

Summary of Discussions

Discussions on Structure, Functioning and Periodicity of PPAC Meetings:

- Forum to have a dialogue on various public policy issues related to internet to be held. Discussions should be driven in a manner on the lines of IGF.
- Importance on inclusion of Government as a stakeholder through an planned outreach programme was highlighted and felt imperative. All Stakeholders need to be part of decision making irrespective of numbers.
- Important to have an inclusive dialogue. Need to assess the impact of technical policies to empower communities.
- There may be a planned effort to bring in stakeholders, including government, but the group should definitely stay open to all members from the community.
- Planned purpose and role of PPAC is to be on informal discussions, sharing of ideas and information. Focus on APNIC's agenda and issues, not necessarily on broader Internet governance.

Summary of Discussions

Discussions on Structure, Functioning and Periodicity of PPAC Meetings:

- Agenda should cover topical and upcoming challenges in the APNIC community.
- Outcome helpful if it helps promote sharing of information and perspectives from all stakeholders, including existing stakeholders and government.
- PPAC / APNIC Secretariat to share policy developments with the stakeholders, for consultation for the benefit of internet in the APNIC region.
- PPAC' focus should be in sync with what APNIC is all about. It should not go beyond the core of what APNIC is about.
- Government needs to be part of the discussion as a key stakeholder. Helpful in understanding each other's perspective for better deliberations and outcomes.

Summary of Discussions

Discussions on Structure, Functioning and Periodicity of PPAC Meetings:

- Decision on forming a small subcommittee who can help work on the draft rules for a structure, functioning, agenda, periodicity at PPAC.
- The sub-committee to comprise of the following members:
 - Dean Pemberton, Principal Consultant, Internet NZ
 - Laina Greene, Pt. Intl Bangun Sejahtera, Tbk.
 - Dr. Govind, CEO, NIXI
 - Amrita Choudhury, CCAOI, India
 - Prof Li-Shyang Chen
- A report to be submitted to working group Chairs before APNIC 36 for further deliberations and finalization.

Summary of Discussions

Interactive session, to identify key focus areas for deliberation on which committee participants would like to work upon. Sub-Groups on topics of interest to form a recommendation / study paper

Individual presentations by participants on topics of interest

- **Internet NZ Public Policy Framework**, Dean Pemberton, Principal Consultant, Internet NZ
- **Critical Internet resources and related policies of Government of India**, (R.M. Agarwal, DDG (NT), DoT, MoC&IT, Gol
- **Regulatory Environment for Internet Services and Financial Position of Indian Telecom Sector**, Manoj Misra, Head of Regulatory, C&WW, India

Taking Stock and Way Forward

- PPAC session will be to be held at every APNIC Meeting, APNIC Conference and APRICOT for the coming 3 years.
- Emphasis to be on transforming Internet to Equinet.
- There is a need to have a outreach programme for a wider engagement of Government as a stakeholder in the deliberation of PPAC.
- The required level of protocol as applicable will need to be maintained.
- Mandate of PPAC needs to include all policy matters relating to internet.
- Sub-Committee to submit its report to Chairs of working group before APNIC 36.