Poonam Trambadia: Post of Regional Representative West Zone

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Agenda/Objectives: The zonal co-ordination is the backbone of institutional network of COMOS India, which ensures participatory progress and wide spread democratic operation of our organisation to build a strong conservation fraternity is the objective for the tenure.

COMOS India has expanded its membership in past years. It is now important to continue the efforts to keep the goal of the organisation at the center, making sure the state of heritage at every stage is observed, emphasizing its Conservation, protection and preservation backed with a strong community participation fostering empathy and ownership. The national committees working on various scientific themes also provides the zone an opportunity to consider specific aspects and combine regional and thematic studies. It is important to focus on collaborative participation of membership both individual and institutional. Recent addition of multi dimensional sites in WHS from the zone have already expanded the paradigm of hertiage conservation into Urban and territorial management.

With a very active member support from past experience, my understanding has also increased and would look forward to continue the team work to strengthen the outreach and capacity of the organisation. There is a need to expand the membership especially, institutional, students and youth to come forward.