



Indian Association of Structural Engineers

IAStructE Code of Ethics

Indian Association of Structural Engineers recognizes that the role of Structural engineers is significant in the society to ensure structural safety and to achieve a more sustainable built environment.

To be fully effective not only must Structural engineers constantly improve their knowledge and skills, but also society must respect their integrity and trust the judgment of members of the profession and remunerate them fairly.

As an association of Structural Engineers, IAStructE firmly believes that following principles are fundamental to the behavior of their members if society is to have that necessary confidence in Structural Engineers as its Trusted Advisors.

1. **RESPONSIBILITY TO SOCIETY**

The Member shall:

- a) Accept the responsibility of the Structural Engineering profession to society.
- b) Seek solutions that are compatible with the principles of Structural safety, serviceability, durability and sustainable development.
- c) At all times uphold the dignity, standing and reputation of the Structural Engineering profession.

2. **COMPETENCE**

The Member shall:

- a) Maintain knowledge and skills at levels consistent with development in technology, legislation and management, and apply due skill, care and diligence in the services rendered to the client / employer.
- b) Perform services only when competent to perform them.

3. **INTEGRITY**

The Member shall:

- a) Act at all times in the legitimate interest of the Project and provide all services with integrity and faithfulness.



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4. IMPARTIALITY

The Member shall:

- a) Be impartial in the provision of professional advice, judgment or decision.
- b) Inform the client / employer of any potential conflict of interest that might arise in the performance of services to the client / employer.
- c) Not accept remuneration which prejudices independent judgment.

5. FAIRNESS TO OTHERS

The Member shall:

- a) Promote the concept of "Quality-Based Selection" (QBS).
- b) Neither carelessly nor intentionally do anything to injure the reputation or business of others.
- c) Neither directly nor indirectly attempt to take the place of another fellow engineer, already appointed for a specific work.
- d) Not take over the work of another fellow engineer before notifying the fellow engineer in question, and without being advised in writing by the client / employer of the termination of the prior appointment for that work.
- e) In the event of being asked to review the work of another, behave in accordance with appropriate conduct and courtesy.

6. CORRUPTION

The Member shall act with zero tolerance for bribery, fraud and corruption and neither offer nor accept remuneration of any kind which in perception or in effect either:

- a) seeks to influence the process of selection
- b) or seeks to influence their compensation
- c) or seeks to affect the engineer's impartial judgment.

Member shall co-operate fully with any legitimately constituted investigative body which makes inquiry into the administration of any contract for services or construction.