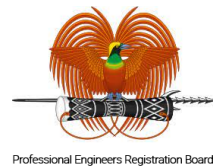


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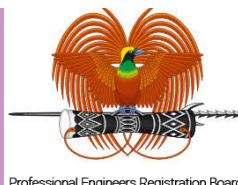
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Construction & Contractors Conference 2026

The Institution of Engineers Papua New Guinea (IEPNG) in collaboration with the Department of Works and Highways and the National Highways successfully hosted the Construction & Contractors Conference from 8–9th April 2026 at the APEC Haus, Port Moresby. During Construction & Contractors final report, the IEPNG CEO Mr. Benedict Mick stated, “conference brought together contractors, engineers, government agencies, suppliers, and key stakeholders from across Papua New Guinea to discuss infrastructure development, procurement processes, contractor registration, and industry challenges”. Mr. Mick mentioned that the theme **‘Build the Nation through Innovation, Collaboration and Sustainable Infrastructure’** brought all participants to understand the importance of focusing on solutions, research, innovation, and creativity rather than merely discussing problems.

In Mr. Mick’s report, he stated that there were total of **225 organizations** identified and participated in the conference activities. Participation was recorded across three event categories:

1. Sponsored Expo Booths
2. Conference Attendance and
3. Conference Dinner Attendance

Mr. Mick also highlighted that the Construction and Contractors Conference 2026 successfully engaged a significant number of industry stakeholders, with **70 organizations** attending the conference, **84 organizations** attending the conference dinner, and **12 organizations** participated as exhibitors. He acknowledged the participants and dignitaries that the “event achieved positive engagement outcomes and participation’s data indicates opportunities to broaden industry involvement and strengthen stakeholder outreach for future departmental conferences and forums”, said Mr. Mick the CEO IEPNG.

Pictures below are the Participants of the Construction & Contractors Conference 2026



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2026 Annual General Meeting (AGM), Expo & Annual Dinner

The Institution of Engineers PNG Inc. held its 2026 IEPNG Expo, Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Annual Dinner in Mt. Hagen Western Highlands Province on 22nd - 23rd April 2026 at the McRoyal Hotel. The 2026 AGM and Annual Dinner with the IEPNG Expo showcased innovative engineering solutions, digital technologies, and sustainable practices from across the industry. Pictures shown are IEPNG President and Secretary for Works & Highways Mr. Gibson Holemba and the IEPNG Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mr. Benedict Mick addressing audiences while engineers and observers from different industry gave feedback through open discussions during IEPNG Expo, Annual Dinner and Annual General Meeting.

There were important agendas raised on Wednesday 22nd addressed by Board Members about Recognition of Outgoing Members during AGM. It was proposed by Council Members that Recognition Certificates and Coats must be presented to outgoing Board Members when exiting IEPNG. The Board Members also stress on introducing awards in categories of 'Best Young Engineers', 'Best Senior Engineers and 'Best Active Engineers' and 'Honoring Past Leadership' such as IEPNG past presidents who were with the IEPNG since the inception of the institution. The Board members also emphasized on the 'Development of Awards Policy' which a formal policy is to be developed to guide the recognition of engineers. The AGM Mt. Hagen 2026 was ended on Thursday 23rd as IEPNG President Mr. Holemba and CEO Mr. Mick closed the 2026 AGM with outstanding agendas on Decommissioning of Council Members with proper recognitions, Promotional Materials for events and the Honorary Titles for Senior Engineers who have made significant contributions to IEPNG and the country. The Board members agreed to give title such as "Sir or Madam" as recognitions of honor to long serving engineers who are the senior members of the IEPNG.

Pictures supplied are IEPNG Board Members, Staff and Participants of the 2026 Mt. Hagen AGM, IEPNG Expo and Annual Dinner at the McRoyal Hotel Western Highlands Province.



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CBA Trainings & Compliance

New Porgera Limited (NPL)-The 2 Days Training at Alipis Training Centre in Porgera mine site was conducted by IEPNG Member Services Officers Miss. Musawe Mupangke the newly IEPNG Training Officer appointed by IEPNG Board Members and Mr. Stanley Mange a Member Services Officer who stepped in to assist in place of IEPNG CEO Mr. Benedict Mick from 18th to the 19th of May 2026. The trainings started on Monday and finishes on Tuesday purposely to assist NPL engineers with CBA queries and membership registration. Miss. Mupangke highlighted that “despite logistical planning arrangement with outstanding registration and CBA- related issues, the trip was successful with positive turnout of 14 applications received on Monday and 11 more applications received on Tuesday which total of 25 applications submitted”. Miss. Mupangke added that the “continuous engagement with NPL will strengthen collaboration and improve membership participation within the engineering sector”. The NPL engineers gain better understanding of the role and responsibilities of IEPNG in relation to compliance with the Engineering Registration Act during training and filling out the CA01-06 forms.

CBA Trainings, New Porgera Limited in Porgera and Telikom PNG Ltd in Port Moresby. (Sources: Porgera Trip- Report & Telikom Training Report)



NEW PORGERA LIMITED (NPL) TRIP -REPORT

CBA Training | 22nd May 2026

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A total of 25 membership applications were submitted during CBA training at Pogera Alipis Training Centre from May 18th to 19th 2026.

The NPL engineers gained better understanding of the role and responsibilities of IEPNG in relation to compliance with the Engineers Registration Act.

The submitted applications contribute to institutional revenue through membership fees and increase the overall membership base of the IEPNG.



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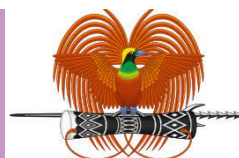
CBA Training with 33 Telikom PNG Ltd. engineers occurred at the Telikom Rumana Building in Port Moresby on the 8th of June 2026.

The engineers comprised of new graduates under Telikom PNG Graduate Development Program (GDP) and dedicated engineers who served for more than 10 years.

Picture featured Telikom Engineers with IEPNG Member Services staff Miss. Musawe Mupangke presenting slides on PowerPoint as she conducted Competency- Based Assessment (CBA) training and compliance on CBA system, Engineers Registration Act and demonstrated on how to be filling up the CA01 up to CA06 forms. Mr. Shami Wamp the Telikom Training Officer mentioned that many Engineers had difficulties filling up CA forms and such training would help get their forms filled correctly and submitted for membership and registrations as legally recognized engineers.



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Presentations of CBA to upcoming engineers

IEPNG STUDENTS ORIENTATION PROGRAM



PNG UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY
19TH FEBRUARY 2026 LAE MOROBE PROVINCE

The Institutions of Engineers PNG Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Mr. Benedict Mick did a wonderful PowerPoint presentation that enlightened students from first to final years including Postgraduates from the Faculty of Engineers. Other faculties that joined the presentations were the Faculty of Sciences, Faculty of Natural Resources and Faculty of Build Environment who expressed interest in knowing more about the relationship between IEPNG, CBA and PERB.

Mr. Mick gave an interesting insights on what is IEPNG, a little bit of background, roles and legal framework of the Professional Engineers (Registration) (Amendment) Act 2007. The objectives delivered and expected outcome facilitated by IEPNG to the PNG UOT students are;

- To ensures safe infrastructure, -improves project quality, -build public confidents,
- promotes professional standards and -support national development.

Key responsibilities outlined by Mr. Mick the IEPNG CEO during PNG Unitech Students' Orientation Day are:

- What is IEPNG & Roles of IEPNG
- Competency Based Assessment & Requirements in CBA
- Why CBA is important?
- IEPNG and International Bodies/ Accord
- Functions of PERB
- PERA 2007 (Amended)
- Key Provisions of PERA 2007
- Penalties
- Relationship between IEPNG, CBA and PERB

Mr. Mick further elaborated that Engineering plays a key role in infrastructure, mining, energy, and construction. Thus, in order to protect public safety and maintain standards, engineers must:

Be assessed for competency

Be registered &

Follow professional ethics

Mr. Mick clarified that the role of IEPNG is to assist engineers through competency-based process to promote continuing professional development and ensure engineers meet ethical and technical standards as part of professional development. The students were informed and aware of the Professional Engineers (Registration) (Amendment) Act 2007 to get registered and become a member of IEPNG.



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Memberships & Applications

Memberships Update Jan - June 2026

Total of 533 applications were received through two main channels, including email submissions, which consisted of soft copy applications, and in-person submissions in hard copy format. A slight increase in the number of applications was observed in February, largely attributed to student registrations during orientation week in Lae at the PNG Unitech and National Polytechnic Institute of PNG. The table below provide a summary of the number of applications received and processed during this period. It should be noted that backlog cases carried forward refer to applications with outstanding documentation or pending payments required before processing can be completed. **(Source: Member Service Report, 11th June 2026)**

Table 1: Status of Applications Received (January 2026 – 11th June 2026)						
Month	Applications Received	Processed	Approved	Pending with SA&TA	Cancelled	Backlog Carried Forward
Jan-26	19	10	5	1	0	13
Feb-26	83	65	55	2	4	22
Mar-26	334	304	288	6	5	35
Apr-26	29	7	1	3	0	25
May-26	42	10	0	3	0	39
1 th June 2026	26	4	0	3	0	23
Total	533	400	349	18	9	157

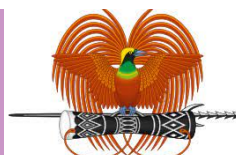
Update on Structural Applications and Structural Registration

A total of 16 structural engineers currently registered. One application received and is under assessment with the structural registration committee while the other was already approved and certificate printed. Furthermore, 4 structural engineers have renewed their registrations while two are yet applied for the renewal. The renewals and pending applications are monitored to ensure compliance with registration requirements. **(Source: Member Service Report, 11th June 2026)**

SUMMARY OF STRUCTURAL REGISTERED ENGINEERS & APPLICATIONS AS AT 11 JUNE 2026				
APPLICATION STATISTICS BY STATUS & MEMBER CATEGORY				
STATUS	MEMBER LEVEL			
	FELLOW	HON. FELLOW	MEMBER	TOTAL
Applications Submitted			1	1
STRUCTURAL REGISTERED ENGINEERS SUMMARY TOTALS				
Member Status				
Current	3	2	11	16
Grace				0
Lapsed				0
Removed		1	1	2
Total	3	3	12	18
EXPATS/NATIONALS				
Expat	1	0	3	4
National	2	3	9	14



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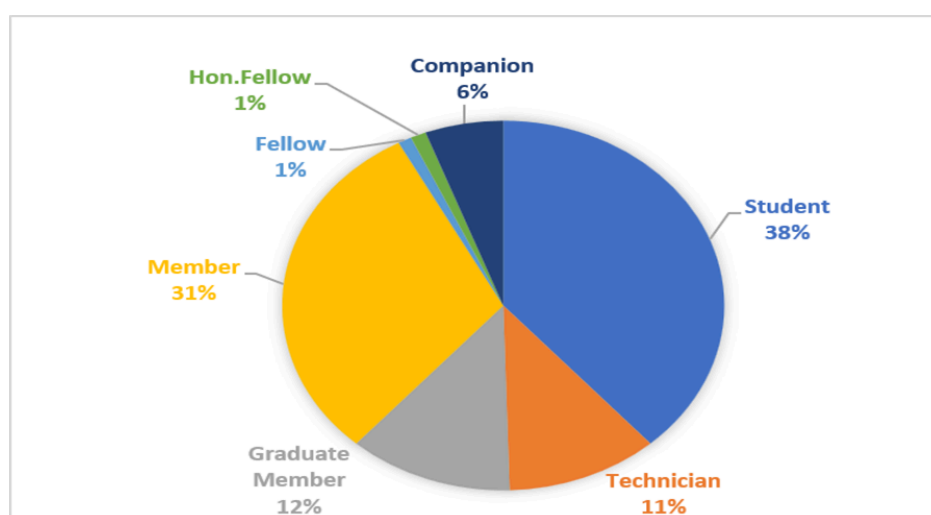
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STATUS AND TYPE

Table below shows categories of Membership Levels. (Source: Member Service Report, 11th June 2026)

Categories	Current		Grace		Lapsed		Removed		
Membership Level	Count	Expats	Count	Expats	Count	Expats	count	Expats	Expired over 2 years
Students	504	0	508	0	57	0	143	0	100
Technician	146	88	7	7	8	4	106	83	52
Graduate Member	158	0	5	0	21	0	103	0	63
Member	403	264	10	7	35	25	209	163	26
Fellow	13	3	1	0	7	1	5	1	2
Hon. Fellow	15	1	1	1			34	15	15
Companion	75	22	1	1					
Total	1314	378	533	16	128	30	600	686	258

Graph shows percentage of current Membership Levels



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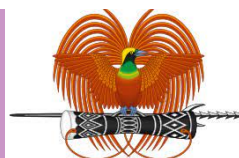
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