

Bhupinder Nath Chopra
Executive Committee Member, IITAA



Bhupinder Chopra has been an active member of IITAA since 2007 and has been IITAA EC member since July 2009 and during that period has promoted IITAA through various avenues.

Bhupinder is an Aeronautical Engineering graduate of Punjab Engineering College, Chandigarh (1972). Bhupinder joined IIT Kanpur & conducted research related to vibration of rotating large aspect ratio blades in the project “*Experimental and Theoretical Investigation of Blade Vibration*”, sponsored by Aeronautical Research and Development Board, Govt. of India and this work became part of his M. Tech in Aircraft Structures from IIT Kanpur (1976). He submitted a paper based on the research work to the “*Proceedings of International Conference in Computer Applications in Developing Countries*” held at Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand in August 1978.

Bhupinder worked for 19 years in Hindustan Aeronautics Limited, Lucknow. He managed new and repair & overhaul project task of MiG 21, MiG 27, Jaguar, Dornier 228 and Kiran I & II aircraft accessories. He attended General Management Development Course at Hindustan Aeronautics Limited Staff College, Bangalore in 1990.

Bhupinder moved to New Zealand in 1995 and worked for Air New Zealand and then Royal New Zealand Air Force. He provided airworthiness expertise for Boeing 727, Hercules C-130, Seahawk and PC-3 Orion aircraft and helped acquire Seasprite SH-2G(NZ) helicopter. He attended Engineering Officer Management Course at RNZAF Base, Blenheim in 1998.

After moving to Australia in 2005, Bhupinder worked for various aviation companies in Australia. He is a professionally qualified and approved Maintenance Controller by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority of Australia as well as Civil Aviation Authority of New Zealand. He is currently working as Senior Maintenance Controller for Professional Jet Aviation at Bankstown Airport.

Bhupinder is married with two children and lives in Rhodes with his wife Jaya. He is a keen golfer and avid bushwalker.