

CENTRAL PRESS ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE, PIB

The Central Press Accreditation Committee (CPAC) is appointed by the Government of India to grant accreditation to the representatives of various news media organisations at the headquarters of the Government of India. The tenure of the Committee is for a period of two years from the date of its first meeting. The CPAC consists of a maximum of 20 members including the PIO as the Chairperson. The PIO convenes the meetings of the CPAC, which generally meet once in a quarter or more frequently as considered necessary. The members of the Committee are appointed on the basis of the nominations received from various National level Associations/ Unions of journalists and media persons. Similar committees are in force in the States also which look after the State/local level accreditation.

The current CPAC has been constituted in February, 2002. Its composition is as under:

S.No.	Name of the Representative	Name of the nominating Association/Organisation	Status
1.	Principal Information Officer, Press Information Bureau, Government of India, New Delhi.		Chairman
2.	Shri Jyantha Ghosal, Delhi	National Union of Journalist	Member
3.	Shri Harbhajan Singh, New Delhi	All India Small & Medium Newspapers Federation	Do
4.	Shri Akhoury Suresh Prasad, New Delhi	Indian Journalists Union	Do
5.	Shri Vishwa Bandhu Gupta, New Delhi	All India Newspaper Editors Conference	Do
6.	Shri S.A.H.Rizvi, New Delhi	The Press Association	Do
7.	Shri Ramesh Sharma, Bhopal	Indian Federation of Working Journalist	Do
8.	Shri Lalit Shrimal, Ujjain	Indian Language Newspapers Association	Do
9.	Shri Thyagraj, Shimoga (Karnataka)	Indian Federation of Small & Medium Newspapers	Do
10.	Shri Alok Mehta Delhi	Editors Guild of India	Do
11.	Shri Pramod Mathur,	Working News Cameraman's	Do

12.	Shri Surinder Kapoor	News Cameraman's Association	Do
13.	Shri Shankar Chakarvarty, New Delhi	Association of Accredited News Cameramen	Do
14.	Shri Tarun Vijay, Editor, Panchajanya, New Delhi	Government Nominee	Do
15.	Shri Devsagar Singh, Freelance	Do	Do
16.	Shri Ranjit Bhushan, Correspondent, Outlook, New Delhi	Do	Do
17.	Shri Manohar Puri, Freelance	Do	Do
18.	Shri Rajeev Deshpande, Correspondent, The Pioneer, New Delhi	Do	Do
19.	Shri Gopal Mishra, Freelance	Do	Do
20.	Ms. Sandhya Jain, Freelance	Do	Do