

# BRANCH NEWS

## AURANGABAD BRANCH

IIMM Aurangabad have organized Inauguration function of its own **New office / Excellence Training Centre** on **10<sup>th</sup> December 2023** at Khvansara August High Street, Ulkanagari, Aurangabad in the presence of Chief Guest Mr. Milind Kank, Managing Director of Yashshree Group of Industries and Guest of Honor Mr. Mihir Soundalgikar, Director – Marathwada Auto Compo Pvt. Ltd., & Mr. Rajesh Sanghavi, Managing Director of Sanghavi Group of Industries.



*Mr. Miling Kank Mr. Mihir Saondalgikar Mr. Rajesh Sanghavi and Branch Chairman Mr. Shshant Patare and EC Member at the time of Lamp lighting of Inauguration of Excellence Training*

### Important Contribution of Materials and Supply Chain Management in Industry Success - Milind Kank.

Shri Milind Kank, Managing Director of Yashshree Group asserted that material management is extremely important in the success of the industry and its proper management requires skilled manpower as well as scientific systems. He was speaking at the inauguration of the new office of the Indian Institute of Materials Management (IIMM) as well as the Center of Excellence Training. He explained by giving the example of YashshreeUdyog Group that along with the product quality department in the industries, the department of material management is very important and if it is managed through a proper system, the profit of the industries increases significantly. He specially praised the library established by IIMM and urged the budding entrepreneurs to take advantage of this facility.

On this occasion, **Rajesh Sanghvi**, Managing Director of Sanghvi Group of Industry, said that IIMM has played a major role and hoped that various types of skilled manpower would be created through this training center.

Young entrepreneur **Mihir Soundalgikar**, Director of Marathwada Auto Compo wished all the innovators IIMM They expressed that they will cooperate with IIMM and also make definite use of this updated center set up in the central part of the city.



*Mr. Miling Kank Chief Guest and Guest of Honor Mr. Mihir Saondalgikar at the time of Inauguration of Excellence Training Center Branch Office*



*Vice Chairman Offer Memento to Guest of Honour Mr. Mihir Soundalgikar and Mr. Rajesh Sanghai*



IIMM Aurangabad Branch Chairman Sushant Pathare in his introduction reviewed the 44 years of the branch and thanked all the members for their cooperation.

The program was moderated by Mr. Fani kumar Marepalli and Vote of thanks was given by Vice Chairman Mr. Srikant Mule of Aurangabad Branch. IP Chairman Mr.K. Srihari, Past Chairman Mr. Jitesh Gupta National Council Member Mr. Sanjay Sanghai and Dr. Narendra Joshi, Mr. Shrikant Shelke MD, Mauli Group of Industries, Chairman of MASIA Anil Patil, Prasad Kokiell of CMI, Dr. Abhay Kulkarni, Tansukh Zambad of MAKIA, Rahul Jaju of AISA, Dr. Santosh Bhosle Principal of MIT Colleteand eminent entrepreneurs were present.

Mr. Paras Mutha, Sudhir Patil, Lalit Lohade, Ramesh Jaulkar, Amey Kolte, Prem Kadam, Sunil Sonar, Abhijit Advant, Sushil Pandey, Sushil Ved, Milind Ghogle, Sudarshan Dharurkar etc worked hard to make this program successful. The program was moderated by Fanikumar Marepalli and vote of thanks was given by Srikant Mule, Vice President of Aurangabad Branch.

### ALWAR BRANCH

IIMM Alwar branch organised a CPO meet on 20/12/2023 at Hotel Moti dungri Palace Alwar. CPOs and Plant Head of five Industries were invited and all of them participated in the program Mr. L R Meena National President elect coordinated the program and discussion were held about supply chain management issues, lack of trained manpower and good quality supplier, poor infrastructure. The issue will be taken up in next issue with local Government departments, Chamber of Commerce and Industrial association.



### BANGALORE BRANCH

26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Get together meet : IIMM Bangalore Branch Executive & SCALE 2023 Committee with spouse had get together meeting at KSBA Club on 26<sup>th</sup> December 2023 (Sunday). Get together meeting was conducted in connection with successfully conducting of Golden Jubilee Celebration and SCALE 2023. Branch Chairman Mr. Jayakumar, and SCALE 2023 Chairman Mr. K.C. Harsha honoured all committee with memento to all committee members.



A view of participants with Speakers



Get-together - Group of Committee and their Spouse

15<sup>th</sup>December 2023 Workshop : IIMM Bangalore Branch had organised One day Workshop on on “**COST REDUCTION BY EFFICIENT PROCUREMENT**” on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at Paraag Hotel, Raj Bhavan Road, Bangalore - 560 001.” The speakerswere Mr. M.S. Sankar Narayanan and Mr. B. Jayaraman senior Faculty of IIMM handled the sessions. About 22 Participants including Members from various sectors/organisations attended the workshop. The Interactive workshop has received a Very good feedback.



**21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 – MOU With SJIM :** Indian Institute of Materials Management, (IIMM) Bangalore Branch and St. Joseph’s Institute of Management (SJIM) had a meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 and signed the MOU for working together to conduct joint training and certification programs in the areas of Supply Chaining Management, Business Analytics and Leadership Development. From IIMM Bangalore Mr. Jayakumar, Branch Chairman and from SJIM Fr. Dr. Manoj D’Souza S.J. signed on the MOU.



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*SIGNING OF MOU BY IIMM Bangalore Mr. Jayakumar, Branch Chairman and from SJIM Fr. Dr. Manoj D’Souza S.J*



*Workshop on Cost Reduction-a session handling by Shankar Narayanan*

## CHANDIGARH BRANCH

Pleased to share that IIMM Chd Branch organised Kaizen Explorer and case study competition. Kaizen and case studies were invited mainly in Productivity enhancement, Cost reduction, Environment and Safety category.



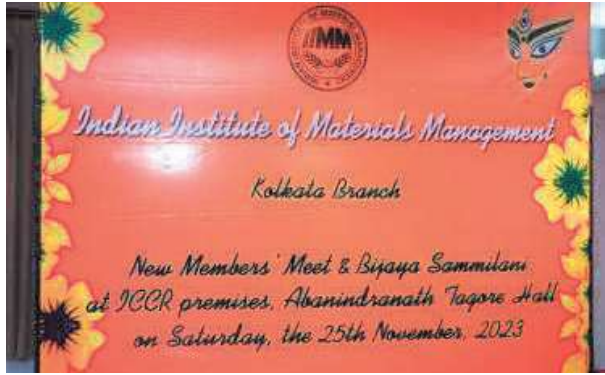
More than 25 companies including Godrej and SML ISUZU participated in competition. Quality of presentations in Kaizen were extremely good and competition was very tough. Competition was appreciated by all participants. Awards Will be given on 16 December 2023 at Hotel Radisson Zirakpur during Annual Day celebrations.



## KOLKATA BRANCH

**New Members Meet & Bijaya Sammiloni Program 2023:** Following the tradition, IIMM, Kolkata organised “BijayaSanmilani” and “New Members Meet” at ICCR Auditorium on 25<sup>th</sup> November. Approximately 85 members along with their families attended the programme. Mr.Koushik Roy, Chairman, in his inaugural address emphasized the need for such meet which can bring in all the families together and exchange pleasantries. Senior faculty Mr. Mukul Mitra and wives of some of the members enthralled the audience with rendition of beautiful songs. New members were introduced with other senior members. They were presented a bouquet and a memento. On this occasion, Quarterly Newsletter of Kolkata branch and brochure on BCCI workshop programme were released by the branch chairman.

A documentary short film on Satyajit Roy directed by Mr.Joydip Mukherjee was screened, which was highly appreciated by the members. Mr. Kaushik Mukherjee, Vice Chairman presented the vote of thanks. The programme was organised by Mr. Prasun Ganguli, Chairman, Membership Committee and his team consisting of NilanjanaPalchoudhury, Parthasarathi Bose, Subrata Biswas and Sarada Mukherjee.



Branch for collaborating with BCC&I in organizing the workshop.



**Workshop on “REVOLUTIONIZING SUPPLY CHAIN STRATEGIES”** : The Bengal Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCC&I) and Indian Institute of Materials Management, Kolkata Branch, jointly organized a One Day Workshop on “Revolutionizing Supply Chain Strategies” on Friday, the 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at WM Hall in the heritage building of the BCC&I, Kolkata.

Mr. Arnab Basu, President Designate, BCC&I and Advisory Leader, PwC India, inaugurated the Workshop welcoming delegates and appreciating IIMM Kolkata

Mr. Koushik Roy, Chairman, IIMM Kolkata Branch, delivered welcome address. He also reciprocated the same feeling to the BCC&I for extending all sorts of cooperation in organizing the Workshop at their premises.

Mr. Sanjay Gupta, former Head of Supply Chain – PepsiCo, Project Management Consultant & Business Strategist, Hony. Secretary & Faculty Member of IIMM Kolkata Branch, took the ‘Icebreaker Session’ and made an overview of the Workshop by his enchanting



presentation.

Mr. Sajal Das, General Manager (Procurement), Linde India Ltd. took the 1<sup>st</sup> Technical Session on 'Redefining Supply Chain for Business Growth'. Mr. Das, by his interactive session, engrossed the participants.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Technical Session was taken jointly by Mr. Sudipto Basu, Former Regional Head of Materials – Hindalco, Blue Star, Sterline & Wilson and Chairman, MDP & Consultancy Services and Faculty Member of IIMM Kolkata Branch and also Mr. Sanjay Gupta, former Head of Supply Chain – PepsiCo, Project Management Consultant & Business Strategist, Hony. Secretary & Faculty Member of IIMM Kolkata Branch, on 'Enhancing Profitability by Leveraging Supply Chain'. Duo made the session a knowledge sharing platform and made the session enjoyable.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Post-Lunch Session was taken by Mr. B P Mukherjee, Founder & CEO of Oroprise Solutions Pvt. Ltd. In his short and crispy deliberation, Mr. Mukherjee energized the audience in post-lunch session.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Post-Lunch Session was dealt by Mr. Avinash Sahai, Former India Business Head of USG Crushing & Screening from Equipment of NSW Australia & General Manager, Larsen & Toubro Ltd. on 'Motivational and Energizing Connect'. With his vast experience, Mr. Sahai made the session worthy and attractive.

The Final Technical Session was dealt by Mr. Amit Mukherjee, Co-Founder & Director of Unigrow Solutions on 'Integrating Supply Chain with Information Technology & Artificial Intelligence'. This was the most coveted session in terms of topic and Mr. Mukherjee in his lucid presentation made the session worthy. Mr. Mukherjee met the expectation of the budding professionals integrating supply chain with information technology & artificial intelligence. By sharing his in-depth knowledge, Mr. Mukherjee made him invaluable for the participants.

The Concluding Session was on "Interactive Knowledge Sharing through Q & A Session" taken jointly by Mr. Sanjay Gupta and Mr. Sudipto Basu. In this session, the participants were divided in six teams and a Quiz Context on SCM was organized. Mr. Sudipto Basu played as the Quiz Master and Mr. Sanjay Gupta synchronized the event in his unique style of presentation. Participants enjoyed it and appreciated the event involving them in distinctive way. Finally all of them were presented with a unique gift-hamper.

The Workshop met an all round success and both BCC&I and IIMM Kolkata Branch have pledged to continue their bonding to collaborate for such knowledge sharing programme.

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## UDAIPUR BRANCH

**Procurement Awards 2023 – 2024 Presented By IIMM Udaipur** Branch : The second edition of "IIMMU Procurement Awards 2023-24" was organized by the Indian Institute of Materials Management, Udaipur at Hotel Bamboosa, Sajjangarh Road on 17th December

2023. The theme of the event was <sup>2</sup>Impactful Green and Digital Transformation in Supply Chain Management System. Shri S.N. Modani, Chairman - Rajasthan Textile Mills Association and Vice Chairman - Sangam India Limited was the Chief Guest on the occasion. Shri Himanshu Ray Nagori -Retired Judge, District and Sessions Court and Shri Kiran Patil -Managing Director, Wonder Cement Limited were the Guest of Honour.

Other guests included Shri L.R. Meena – National President (Elect), IIMM, Shri Rakesh Rastogi – National Secretary & Treasurer (Elect) IIMM, CA Shri Ageet Kumar – Vice President (North), IIMM, Prof. Dr. Suresh Sharma - Joint President, CRIMM, Shri Pankaj Panchbhai Vice President West (Elect), IIMM and national councilors and members from other branches were also graced the occasion with their presence.

The event was well attended by IIMM-Udaipur Chairman -Shri Anil Mishra, Secretary -Shri PP Bhattacharya, Past Chairman -Shri DC Jhanwar, Convener & National Councillor -Smt. Priya Mogra, National Councillor Smt. Manisha Agrawal, Treasurer Mr. Anil Parikh, Executive Members, Permanent Advisors Shri PS Talesara and Shri VP Rathi, Past Presidents and professionals, Members of Udaipur branch and executives from the field of Materials and Supply Chain Management.



Shri Anil Mishra -Chairman, IIMM-Udaipur in his welcome address outlined the present and future supply chain management system and emphasized on the adoption of latest techniques of supply chain and waste management by the industries without harming the environment.

Shri L.R. Meena stressed on reducing dependence on fossil fuel and promoting other sources of energy. Shri Rakesh Rastogi said that in recognizing and honoring the best practices in the field of supply chain, these awards provide motivation to enhance the skills of professionals. CA Shri Ageet Kumar discussed about Green Supply Chain Management and Digital Transformation in his address. Professor Dr. Suresh Kumar Sharma told about the schemes released by the Government of India for research in the area of supply chain management.

Chief Guest of the program, Shri SN Modani emphasized the need of careful exploitation of natural

resources, balanced development in the race of development in his address. He also emphasized on adopting AI tools, IoT, digital technology and reducing waste for industrial production as well as environment protection. Shri Kiran Patil in his address said that technology has increased facilities but pollution has also increased along with it. The goal of industry should be to return the nature along with production. Shri Himanshu Rai Nagori said that industries should not only earn profit but also discharge their social, cultural and religious responsibilities.

National Councilor Ms. Priya Mogra while giving a brief overview of the award process, said that the Udaipur Branch has been actively engaged in conducting workshops, seminars and events of educational importance to augment professional competencies in the Supply Chain domain. In order to promote meritocracy, **Procurement Awards** was instituted for the professionals and future change-makers in this domain to showcase their prowess of best practices and accomplishments for which they are recognised individually in an annual event called 'Procurement Awards 2023-2024'. To felicitate organizations, the Procurement Award offers an opportunity to individuals only who demonstrate competency and proficiency, to showcase their accomplishments and good practices, which in turn could be imbibed by others in their respective workplace and through networking. In light of this backdrop, applications were invited from individuals of organizations from Rajasthan of varying magnitude in size and scale to participate in the Awards eligibility. These awards have been classified into large, medium and small sectors to make a proper analysis of talent. Two awards are declared for each category ie:

- (i) Procurement Excellence Award
- (ii) Supplier Collaboration & Innovation Award

She apprised the house about an event started This year called 'Article Writing Contest'. Topics for the competition were:

- (1) The key benefits of SCM model analytics for your business and customers – Collaboration & Communication with other business functions.
- (2) Managing change and resistance to SCM innovation among your employees or customers.

This event is introduced with an objective of learning the best practices across the domain and to explore the capacity building of efficiencies in the value chain. She thanked that internal jury member Shri R.K. Daga who analyzed the applications received for the award.

The 3-member external jury panel constituted for these awards are Mr. Ashish Chhabra – Partner -Surjit Timber Traders, Mr. Sandeep Naolekar -Managing Director, Darling Pumps Pvt. Ltd., Dr. Rajesh Kumar, COO & Advisor -Genus Power Infrastructure. Out of all the applications received for the above awards Panel of Jury Members shortlisted the awardees after assessment and the best awardees were selected for the award.



During the awards ceremony, representatives of industrial establishments and business organizations who have done remarkable work in various fields in Rajasthan were honored by presenting trophies & certificates at "Procurement Awards 2023-2024". The Souvenir of IIMM Udaipur was also unveiled on the occasion. The program was coordinated by Smt. Hasina Chakkiwala. Secretary Shri PP Bhattacharya thanked everyone with concluding remarks at the end of the program. He specially thanked the sponsors of the event viz : Wonder Cement Ltd. – Platinum Sponsor, JK Tyre & Industries – Golden Sponsor and Pyrotech – Tempsens Group – Associate Sponsor along with various other souvenir sponsors.



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## JAIPUR BRANCH

IIMM Jaipur branch has organized a seminar on 22nd December at hotel Bela Casa. The topic of the seminar was "India's transformation: From Fragile Five in 2013 to Anti-Fragile in 2023".



The program was anchored by Mr Sunil Goyal. Chairman Mr. P Khandelwal welcomed all the guests and explained about importance of IIMM and benefits of becoming IIMM member. The main speaker of the program was Mr. Amit Sharma CEO of Prabhat investment Services Jaipur. The presentation made by speaker was very impressive and appreciated by all the participants. The function was attended by more than 50 participants. And it was sponsored by Prabhat Investment services. The program was concluded by vote of thanks by Mr. AK Goyal and dinner by all the participants...

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## PUNE BRANCH

Pune Branch organized the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Supply Chain Management Awards Ceremony on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023,

at The O Hotel, Koregaon Park Pune. Mr. Harish Kumar Sharma, National President, Mr. Surendra Deodhar, National Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. K. R. Nair, VP West, Mr. Suhas Gawas, Chairman Pune branch and his team covering the executive committee members, former branch Chairmen and a galaxy of dignitaries for the industry, guests, academicians, well-wishers, sponsors, numbering to about 200 were present at the function.

A souvenir was also released to commemorate the occasion. The annual awards include recognizing the work of various companies in Manufacturing and Logistic sectors, Individuals, Organizations, and the Conferred Awards, through a jury selection process.

For **Best SCM practices in the manufacturing sector**, **Godrej & Boyce Mfg. Co.Ltd. (Godrej Lawkim Motors)** received the award in the **large enterprise category**. And **Suttatti Enterprises Pvt. Ltd.** was given the award in the **medium enterprise category**. **MRC logistics (India) Pvt. Ltd.** received the award for **Best Road Service Provider**.

**Mr. Om Vijayvargiya** of Schaeffler India Ltd was presented the **Supply Chain Leadership Excellence award**. **Bhartiya Sanskriti Darshan Trust**, which is integrated cancer treatment & research centre, was awarded the **Best Healthcare Organization**. **Dr. Pramod Chaudhari, Founder Chairman, Praj Industries Ltd**, was conferred with the **Lifetime Achievement Award**.

**ICMR-National Institute of Virology (NIV)**, which has been playing pivotal role in research of viruses was conferred with the **Best Public Sector Organization**. The **Unsung Hero Award** was conferred on **EKansh Trust**, Founder Anita Iyer, whose main focus is on empowering people with disabilities and related issues.

To recognize the role of women in Supply Chain, (in an organization & an individual working in an organization), Pune branch instituted a new award category this year – **Women Contribution in Supply Chain**. **Esquire Healthcare and Logistics Pvt. Ltd, Pune (Organization)** and **Ms. Sharmila Kesarkar, Head-Supply Chain, Jehangir Hospital, Pune, (Individual)**, were presented with this award for their outstanding contribution in supply chain.

**Kaizen Competition**, the first of its kind organized by the Pune branch, received an overwhelming response from the Engineering, Automobile & Logistics sectors of industry. Many major corporates & MSMEs took part in this competition. The winners for the first three rankings were presented with cash prizes at the awards function.

Mr. Suhas Gawas, Chairman, Pune branch, in his welcome address said that Pune branch was one of the first branches to recognize the work of individuals and organizations for their excellence in supply chain. He appealed to the audience to be part of the IIMM family by taking membership to Pune branch.

The program concluded with some light moments of humour from Mr. K. R. Nair.

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