

BRANCH NEWS

PUNE BRANCH

58th Annual General Meeting - 10th August 2024 : The 58th Annual General Meeting of the Indian Institute Of Materials Management Pune Branch was held at the branch office on 10th August 2024 and was attended by 35 members. Hon. Secretary Mr. Arjunsingh Rajput officially opened the AGM and invited Chairman Mr. Suhas Gawas to deliver his welcome address to the members. Chairman Mr. Suhas Gawas extended a warm welcome and expressed gratitude to the members for taking the time to attend the AGM.

He shared exciting news about the innovative programs, such as the Kaizen Competition and the Case Study Writing Competition, being introduced by the IIMM-Pune branch for the first time. Additionally, he highlighted the branch's efforts to expand IIMM's reach and strengthen its membership base through the introduction of Cluster Meetings. These meetings, to be held in various industrial locations in Pune, will engage companies from these areas to collaborate on identifying and solving challenges. Chairman Gawas stressed the importance of member involvement in all future branch activities.

Hon Secretary Mr. Arjunsingh Rajput then presented a report detailing the activities held throughout the year. The report included information on various Executive Development Programs, Industrial Visits, Onsite Training Programs, Educational Activities, and Knowledge-Sharing Sessions organized by the branch for its members. He informed the members that during the year 2023-24, the branch held twelve Executive Committee Meetings and five Education Committee Meetings. Hon. Treasurer Mr. Suhas Gare presented and passed the accounts for the year 2023-24. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Hon. Secretary Mr. Arjunsingh Rajput.



VADODARA BRANCH

IIMM Vadodara Branch organized 61st AGM on 10th Aug-2024 at Hotel Grand Mercury, Vadodara. During the AGM, accounts were passed and the details of the activities round the year were presented in the meeting. Mr SITANSHU BHATT Director- Procurement Center India-GPCL Linde Engineering India Pvt. Ltd., was the chief guest of the function. The programme started with lighting of the lamp and with the vedic chants. Dr. Bharti Trivedi - Chairperson briefed about the activities of the branch. Mr. Lalbhai Patel shared the information about IIMM and IFPSM. Mr. Malay Mazumdar discussed the growth of IIMM.

Chief guest felicitated the children of the members who scored high marks in academics as well two senior citizens who are life members of Vadodara Branch were felicitated for their extraordinary achievements in sports at international level. Most of the life members with their spouses marked their presence in the AGM and the programme was followed by dinner.



LALBHAI PATEL (Former National President) WELCOMING THE CHIEF GUEST SHRI SITANSHU BHATT BY FLOWER BOUQUET



DR BHARTI TRIVEDI (Chairperson -IIMM Vadodara BRANCH) PRESENTED THE MOMENTO TO SHRI SITANSHU BHATT.

MUMBAI BRANCH



MS HIMANSHI RAHUL KASHYAP D/O LIFE MEMBER MR RAHUL A.KESHUP -IIMM VADODARA BRANCH RECEIVED GOLD MEDAL BY MR. MALAY MAZUMDAR WHO performed well in Academic session -2024



IIMM Mumbai Branch completed the 3rd Edition of In House “ Orientation Training in Public Procurement “ for Mumbai Port Authority on 29th July & 30th July 2024. The earlier two Editions were completed by IIMM Mumbai Branch in January 2023 and November 2023.

This In House Training Program of Two days is now an integral part of Training Calendar of Mumbai Port Authority’s Port Management Training Centre (PMTC) at Mazagon, Mumbai. The Top Management of Mumbai Port Authority desires that such a “Orientation Training Program on Public Procurement” be conducted by IIMM Mumbai Branch every 6-8 months. The IIMM Mumbai Branch Faculty for the 3rd Edition were :

- Mr Arun Mehta Controller of Stores, Konkan Railway and EC Member IIMM Mumbai Branch
- Mr Jitendra Kumar, CFO BPCL JV and Former Head of Indirect Taxes, BPCL
- Mr Ajoy Sarkar, former Procurement Leader, BPCL CPO (Marketing Department) and Hon Secy IIMM Mumbai Branch



Mr Arun Mehta took the following sessions :

- 1) Indian Contract Act
- 2) Non Disclosure Agreement
- 3) Workmen Compensation Act
- 4) GFR Rules for Procurement of Goods , GFR Rules for Procurement of Services and GFR Rules for Procurement of Works Contracts

Mr Jitendra Kumar covered the Session on GST Aspects. Mr Ajoy Sarkar took the session on Customs Duty & INCO Terms. There were total 21 nos Participants and the Feedback was very positive. Few comments from Feedback given by the Participants are mentioned below:

“Informative. Updated our knowledge about Procurement, GST, Customs Duty”. “Faculty and their teaching skills. Good at imparting training to novice”. IIMM Certificates were handed over to the Participants

The Training Program was Co ordinated by Mr Alok Ranjan Sarkar Former G.M - Materials and G.M (Engineering Projects) BPCL and Advisor IIMM Mumbai Branch. The Event was well supported by IIMM Mumbai Branch Dy Director Mr RB Menon and his team members.

THIRUVANANTHAPURAM BRANCH

The Annual General Meeting of IIMM Thiruvananthapuram Branch for 2023-24 was held on 24-08-2024 (Saturday) at 11.00 AM at the IIMM office hall, Sasthamangalam. Dr.Koshy M George, Branch Chairman presided over the meeting.

After ascertaining the quorum, Chairman Dr. Koshy M George declared the meeting open. The meeting started with a silent prayer. Chairman requested everyone to stand for two minutes to observe silence and offer condolence to the deceased founder member of the branch Shri K Sivanandan and the victims of the landslides in Mundakkai and Chooralmala areas in Wayanad District of Kerala which claimed 402 lives with 119 still missing.

Chairman welcomed the members gathered for the meeting. In his presidential address Chairman briefed the details of the activities conducted during the report period. Further, he gave an account of the programmes proposed for the current year including talks by eminent personnel on Materials Management on related subjects, A National Seminar on “Management of Strategic Materials” on 19th October 2024 at Hotel Prasanth, Trivandrum and requested all past Chairmen, NC Members and other members to actively participate in hosting the functions as well as on our plan to enhance membership.

AGM approved the MOM of the last AGM held on 19/08/2023 and the Annual Report 2023-24 presented by the Hon. Secretary Shri M G Narayanan Nair. AGM also approved the Audited Financials 2023-24 presented by the Treasurer Shri P C Sasikumar. Membership kits were distributed to the newly joined Life Members Dr.S Christopher Solomon, Shri G Raju and Smt. S Gopika.

Chairman received the first contribution of Rs.50,000/- from Mr. O Varghese, Branch EC Member and Managing Director of M/s.Hi-Tech Engineering Services, Maruthoor, Trivandrum. Vote of thanks was given by Shri M Janardhanan, NC Member. The meeting ended with Lunch.



Secretary Shri M G Narayanan Nair presenting the Annual Report 2023-24



Chairman handing over the Membership Kit to the newly joined Life Member Dr. S Christopher Solomon



Chairman receiving the first contribution Rs.50000/- towards National Seminar 2024 from Shri O Varghese, MD, M/s.Hi-Tech Engineering Services, Trivandrum



IMG-20240824-WA0045: NC Member Shri M Janardhanan proposing vote of thanks

BANGALORE BRANCH

26.07.2024 :One-day workshop on Effective Inventory Management : Indian Institute of Materials Management—Bangalore Branch had conducted a one-day certification workshop on “**Effective Inventory Management**” on 26th July 2024 at **Hotel Paraag** Bangalore. Senior Faculty Mr. B. Jayakumar and Mr. T.S. Balachandran handled the sessions. The interactive workshop has received very good feedback.

10.08.2024:Prof. Ravi Ravindran Endowment Lecture Program: IIMM Bangalore Branch had conducted Professor Ravi Ravindran Annual Endowment Lecture, 8th Edition, on 10th August 2024 (Saturday) at the seminar hall of St. Joseph’s Management Institution on the topic “**Managing People Supply Chain**” by Prof. Janath Shah, Former Director, IIM, Udaipur. Mr. A.V. Shama Sundar, Branch Chairman, welcomed the gathering. Dr.P. Balasubramanian, Member, Governing Board, Aqua MAP Water Management, COE at IIT Madras, spoke on the Professor Ravi Ravindran Endowment lecture program. Prof. S. Sadagopan, Chairman, Bog, IIITDM-Kancheepuram, Founder Director, IIIT-Bangalore, addressed the gathering. Mr. K.C. Harsha, organizer Prof. Ravi Ravindran symposium committee, proposed a vote of thanks. We received very good feedback from the participants.

23.08.2024: One-Day Workshop on Supply Chain Management Analytics: Indian Institute of Materials Management and St. Joseph’s Institute of Management, Bangalore branch, conducted a one-day certification workshop on “**Supply Chain Analytics**” on 23rd, August 2024, from 09.30 am to 5.30 pm. Speakers Mr. B. Jayaraman, Mr. T.S. Balanchandran, Mr. Kamalendu Sith, and Rajendra Desai handled the sessions.

It was conducted at St. Joseph’s Management Institution’s Seminar Hall. Excellent feedback was received from the participants.

24.08.2024: Annual General Body Meeting of IIMM Bangalore Branch : The Annual General Body Meeting of the Bangalore Branch was conducted in the evening at Paraag Hotel on 24th August 2024. The meeting commenced with a formal invocation rendered by Ms. Mugdha Hegde.

Mr. Kapanipathi B.G., Honorary Secretary, confirmed the coram, and A.V. Shama Sundar, Branch Chairman, welcomed the members and their families, and he gave details of achievements and activities during the year and programs planned.

Mr. Kapanipathi B.G. Honorary Secretary presented the Annual Report for the year 2023-24. The report had been proposed, seconded for adoption, and unanimously adopted. Mr. M.C. Lokesh, Honorary Treasurer, presented the Income & Expenditure and Balance Sheet for the year 2023-24, which was proposed and adopted unanimously. IIMM Bangalore Branch AGM was conducted in a smooth and befitting manner with a cultural program rendered by Gopal J. Krishnaji and Team. Mr. M.R. Achyuth Rao proposed the vote of thanks.



*A view of group photo of Members present on AGM
24.08.2024*



*A view of participants present in Prof Ravi-Ravindran
Endowment Lecture Program on 10.08.2024*



*Branch Chairman Mr. A.V. Shamasundar Addressing the
Gathering on Workshop on 23.08.2024*



*Branch Chairman Mr. A.V. Shamasundar welcoming the
gathering*



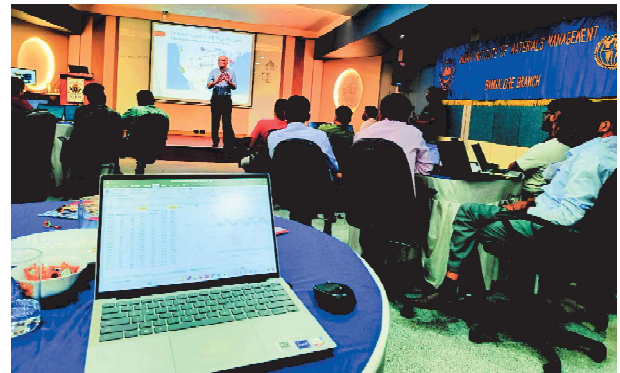
Dr. Janath Sha, Former Director of IIM- Udaipur- Speaker, addressing the gathering on "Managing People Supply Chain" 10.08.2024



Mr. Kamalendu Sith, Faculty Handling Session on 24.08.2024 SCM Analytics Workshop



Dr. P. Balasubramanian, addressing about Professor Ravi Ravindran endowment on 10.08.2024



Mr. Rajendra Desai, speaker SCM Analytics handling the session on 23.08.2024



Mr. B. Jayaraman, Faculty Handling the session on 23.08.2024 workshop on SCM Analytics



Prof. S. Sadagopan - opening remarks on 10.08.2024



Mr. K.C. Harsha proposing vote of Thanks

UDAIPUR BRANCH

EPR EVENT BRIEFING - UDAIPUR BRANCH : Indian Institute of Materials Branch, Udaipur Branch conducted a Seminar on 24th August, 2024 about Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) as defined by the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 and Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016. The theme was "**Extended Producer Responsibility(EPR) Compliance & Business Sustainability**".

The seminar was held in the auditorium of Udaipur Chamber of Commerce & Industry, which was attended

by about 75 professionals of trade and industry. They included both members and non-members of IIMM. The essence of the programme was to create an awareness about the importance of how to alter models by taking ownership and responsibility about managing wastes in a manner that that translate into sustainable business development.



The keynote speakers were Mr. Vinay Agarwal and Ms. Kalpana Panwar from RECYKAL. Recykal is a Hyderabad-based company engaged in solving India's growing trash problem by using digital technology to efficiently connect waste-generators with processors and recyclers. They are first-of-its-kind technology-driven solution provider for the waste management ecosystem. Currently, Recykal's reach for waste collection and channelisation includes 1,000-plus businesses, 500 aggregators and waste management companies.

The program started with welcome of participants and opening remarks by the Hony. Secretary of Udaipur Branch, Mr. P P Bhattacharya. Following this, Mr. Anil Mishra, branch chairman gave his address emphasizing that EPR explicitly invoked the responsibility of a producer for the environmentally sound management of the product until the end of its life. Therefore, it is imperative for all stakeholders in trade and industry to understand their responsibilities diligently. The ramifications of violations and non-compliance are very stringent including fines and operational closures. The speakers discussed the topic in great details answering all the queries/ questions of the participants.



They mentioned that EPR laws are applicable to OEMs, manufacturers importers, distance-sellers, brand owners, e-commerce companies (license to import and distribute) and any every business in the value chain. The focus to reuse and recycle was emphasised as it uses less energy than manufacturing from new materials. They also emphasised that the costs of collection, processing and recycling to the producers of the materials. Hence, any industry needs to be more innovative in product and packaging design. The

programme received appreciable response for the attendees and the spontaneous interaction from them with the subject experts was quite an encouragement – enlightening and enriching to say the least. Welcome and memento presentation to the speakers was done by the senior members of IIMM. Towards the end, Mrs. Priya Mogra, National Councillor made the closing remarks and vote of thanks was presented. The event was followed by High-Tea and informal interaction amongst the participants.



AURANGABAD BRANCH

IIMM Aurangabad has conducted seminar on **“Accelerating Supply Chain & Logistics with Artificial Intelligence (AI)” and Life Members Certificate & Kit Distribution Program on 24th August 2024 at Marathwada Auto Cluster, Waluj, Chatrapati Sambhajinagar.**

Indian Institute of Materials Management (IIMM), Chh. Sambhajinagar Branch conducted a Seminar on “Accelerating Supply Chain & Logistics with Artificial Intelligence (AI)” as on 24th Aug 2024 at Marathwada Auto Cluster, Aurangabad (CSN). 212 delegates attended the event. 60 New Life Members and One Institutional Member were felicitated with IIMM Life Member Certificate, A welcome Kit and an Medal.

Speaker was Mrs. Mitali Mishra, Chief Technical Officer at Expert Global Solutions. In her speech she covered important points such as:

- a) Logistics Challenges: Overstocking, Under stocking, High operational costs, Demand forecasting issues, Warehousing costs, Complex systems and Limited agility.
- b) Technology Used: SAP, Oracle systems for material management.
- c) Artificial Intelligence (AI) in SCM: AI Integration with IoT, Advanced Predictive Analytics, Warehouse Automation, Enhanced Customer Experience, Information Analysis Using AI, Information Analysis Using AI, AI-Driven Route Optimization.
- d) Case Studies: NVIDIA Robotics Factory operations using AI & technologies like Kinetic Vision & Quad. @Bosch: Digital supply chain twins, metaverse simulators. DHL: Autonomous delivery systems.

Amazon Business: AI in warehouse operations.

- e) Roadmap to Adopting AI in SCM (Supply Chain Management). Benefits of AI in SCM and Challenges in AI Adoption.

The Chief Guest of the event was Mr. Manoj Lakde , Head- Operations (Metallics Business), Varroc Engineering Ltd. In his speech he covered points such create effective methods to fulfill operational demands, establishing the priorities for the movement of materials, including what materials are required for production and when they are required – commonly known as forecasting.

SUSHANT PATARE, Branch Chairman said that, Industrial sector of CSN (Abad) is witnessing a significant increase in Investments by Big players like Toyota Kirloskar Motor, Ather Energy, Technocraft Industries India Ltd, The Lubrizol Corporation, JSW GREEN ENERGY LIMITED. Many existing companies from CSN- Endurance Technologies Ltd., Marathwada Auto Compo Pvt Ltd (MACPL), Siemens are making significant expansions with huge investments. There are huge opportunities coming way ahead. Future readiness is ability to anticipate and adapt to changes. Becoming future ready means scaling up capabilities relevant to future competition. This readiness will be achieved through strategic foresight and tactical adaptability. As the industry grows, every supply chain executive must scale up new capabilities to maintain a competitive edge. IIMM aim & objective is to update & upgrade the skills & knowledge of professionals so as to ensure sustainable development for the upcoming Industrial revolution in the city.



Chief Guest Mr. Manoj Lakde Head- Operations Metallics Business Varroc Engineering Ltd. delevd speech during program

Neepa Mehta Madam, IIMM Life member and Associate Professor of Practice (Leadership and Strategy) at NATH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY (NSBT) also addressed the gatherings with opportunities at IIMM & advantages of becoming the IIMM Life member.

For these Seminar around 212 participants from different Industries like Endurance Group, Varroc Group, Bagla group, Marathwada Auto Components Pvt. Ltd., ,Endress+Hauser. B.G.Fasting, Dhananjay Group, Mauli Metal Industries. SMB Engineers, Forbes & Company, Man Logistics, SEPL, Wockhardt Ltd., and other

Automobile ancillaries based at Aurangabad alongwith their vendors, Engineering Colleges faculties and students also had attended these seminars.



Speaker Mrs. Mitali Mishra Chief Technical Officer at Expert Global Solutions delevring seminar

Along with Chairman Mr. Sushant Patare,, Vice Chairman Mr. Shrikant Muley, National council Members Mr. Sanjay Sanghai and Dr. Narendra Joshi, Past Chairman K Srihari. Mr. Paras Mutha, Secretary, Treasurer Mr. Lalit Lohade and EC Members Ramesh Jaulkar, Mr. Sushil Pande, Mr. Abhijeet Adavant, Mr. Sudhir Patil, Prem Kadam, Yogesh Koshe, Ameya Kolte, took efforts to make event successful .

AHMEDABAD BRANCH



