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From the Desk of Chairman

Dear Members,

Friends, the World Health Organisation Chief recently declared end to Covid 19 as a Global Health Emergency but also stressed that it does not mean threat is not around. He said decision is not taken lightly but after a year—long study of the data relating to Global Covid Pandemic. This has spurred the economic and manufacturing activity as before. The quarter passed by was very hectic. We were busy in planning and executing training activities, financial year accounting work and 3nd Virtual Kaizen



Competition and Kaizen Excellence Award 2023. Besides, attending RCF Ltd.; Annual Convention at Mumbai & Thal units. Fifty teams participated in the 3rd Kaizen Competition. Mr. SS Patnkar, Mr. RS Potdar, Mr. G.B. Thatte and Mr. H. Samuel, coordinated the whole event with support from Governing Council members and our office staff,. Judges, Anchors and Coordinators did an excellent work. I give special thanks to all of them. I also extend heartfelt thanks to organisations who participated in this prestigious event.

Mr. Jayant Malshe, Mr. Vijay Lad and Mr. Arvind Kulkarni prepared Annual Activity Report 2022-2023. Mr. G.B. Thatte and Mr. Arun Tathare both reviewed the accounts audit from time to time. Mr. Jaysing Kale, Mr. Ravi Mahadalkar and office staff coordinated the financial audit activity, leading to tally entry work, internal audit and following up with CA Sule & Associates. I appreciate their contribution and efforts in completing the work in time. Annual General Meeting - 2023 is organised on Saturday, the 29th July, 2023. All members are requested to attend this AGM. Friends, Annual Chapter Convention on Quality Concepts (CCQC) is being organised at Zaverben Popatlal Hall, Ghatkopar East on Saturday, 30th September & Sunday, 1st October, 2023. Organisations are requested to plan sending maximum teams in CCQC 2023 and start preparing case studies for the same. The theme of the convention is "Nurture Quality Concepts for a Better Future".

Happy Reading!!

- K. B. Bharati Chairman, QCFI Mumbai National Vice President, QCFI







O B I T U A R Y Lt. Keshub Mahindra

We the members of Quality Circle Forum of India (QCFI) were shocked & saddened to hear the sudden demise of late Keshub Mahindra, on 13th April 2023. Entire QCFI Pariwar conveys our heartfelt condolences and praying almighty to give strength & courage to his family and the entire M & M family members to bear this great loss.

Late Keshub Sir, will be always remembered as a visionary industrialist who established the M & M group Industries during the challenging times. Late Keshub sir's inspiring leadership and pursuit of excellence created a Company with an enviable reputation. He was always the source of inspiration to his employees.

Our QCFI association with Late Keshub Sir was during early nineties when we initiated the Quality Circle movement - A People Building Philosophy, in Mumbai. He was great supporter to this movement and initiated this concept in M & M. The involvement of workforce was great and participated teams brought many laurels & accolades to the organization at national & international conventions.

QCFI always feels privileged to be associated with M &M in this endeavour. We pay homage to this great industry captain and visionary with heartfelt condolences.

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30th Annual QC Convention of RCF Trombay Unit

30th Annual QC Convention of RCF Trombay Unit was organized on 11th April 2023 at RCF Sports Complex, RCF Trombay, Chembur, Mumbai.















Formal inauguration was done by lighting a lamp at the hands of Hon. CMD of RCF Shri. S C Mudgerikar, Director Finance Smt. Nazhat Shaikh, Director Technical Shri. Milind Deo, Executive Director (Trombay) Shri. Anil Shrivastava and Executive Director (Thal) Shri. Aniruddha Khadilkar. After that QC members performed QC Geet and Nritya Natika based on the emphasis for Safety Practices in the organization.

Shri. K B Bharti, Chairman, QCFI Mumbai Chapter was invited as the Guest of Honour to grace the occasion. Dr. Suhas Rao was invited as Guest Speaker to deliver the Motivational Speech for the audience in Convention.

All the dignitaries have highlighted the importance of Quality Concept activities and their benefits to the organizations.

During pre-convention, total 82 Nos. of QC/LQC teams presented their case studies in Five different halls with scheduled time slots on 7th April 2023. These case studies were evaluated by expert judges from QCFI Mumbai Chapter.

Award distribution ceremony of these winning QC/LQC teams was organized during 30th Annual QC Convention of Trombay Unit on 11th April 2023 at RCF Sports Complex.

30th Annual Quality Concept Convention 2023 of RCF Ltd. Thal

Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Ltd. Thal organized its 30th Annual Quality Concept Convention on 10th June'2023 to promote QC movement and productive work culture among the employees at all levels, at RCF Thal Kurul Colony. The theme of Quality Concept Convention this year was "Integrated Quality Concepts—The Gateway to Global Leadership" "एकीकृत गुणवत्ता अवधारणा-वैश्विक नेतृत्वका प्रवेशद्वार".

QC banners were displayed at various prominent locations inside the factory premises. Different competitions like Poster and Slogan were organized for the event and the response was quite encouraging.

The Convention inaugural function began with unfurling of QC Flag at the hands of Hon. CMD of RCF Shri. S. C. Mudgerikar, immediately after the flag hoisting the Oath taken by the QC, LQC team members followed by March Past by them.

After March Past people gathered in the hall. Then welcome song a skit was performed by QC members to emphasis importance of QC in our day to day life. It was enjoyed by all VIPs and delegates.

Hon. CMD - Shri. S. C. Mudgerikar & Secretary - Shri. V. K. Lad, QCFI Mumbai inaugurated the Convention, attended by Shri. M. M. Deo – Director, Technical, Smt. Nazhat Shaikh – Director, Finance, Shri. A M Khadilkar - Executive Director (Thal), & Shri. Anil Shrivastava - Executive Director (Trombay).

Shri A M Khadilkar - Executive Director (Thal) gave complete overview of QC moment in RCF Thal for last 30 years and also some achievements of RCF Thal in this year. CD containing Messages of Top Management and Case Studies of Quality Circles, Lean Quality Circles was released at the hands of Hon. CMD of RCF Shri. S. C. Mudgerikar. All dignitaries addressed the audience. Representative of Officer Association, SC/ST association and employee's union were also present on the occasion.





After the Convention was over, Awards were given away by dignitaries to QCs completing 10, 15, 20 years. Nisarg QC ETP, Dashak purti Chashak, winners of Technical papers presentation & to Shri. Ajit Thatte, Best Operation Manager for promoting QCs in 2022-23. Goon Prabhat trophy was given to Fission QC, Urea Prod, Gun Sadhana trophy — Avishkar QC, AMM Mech., Kaizen awards to seven employees and Best LQC runner up and winner.













3rd Virtual Kaizen competition

Kaizen is about decreasing waste by eliminating overproduction, improving quality, being more efficient, having less idle time, and reducing unnecessary activities. All these translate to cost savings, and can turn potential losses into profits. When Kaizen meets Poka-Yoke, SMED, Low Cost Automation and other such Quality Concepts the results are still more elevating for any organization. Realizing the benefits of the previous two competitions the 3rd Virtual Kaizen Completion was planned through a series of meeting that took place among the GC members. Step by step each of the related needs were discussed and finalized before releasing the brochure for the same. Organizations responded with equal enthusiasm and the two day virtual convention was held on 25th and 26th of May 2023.

The convention was inaugurated by Shri. Rajendra Potdar, Vice Chairman with his encouraging words. As per schedule each team participated starting from 9.30am in the morning and advanced through the day smoothly. 40 teams participated from various streams in a very systematic manner. The program was anchored by Shri. S.S. Patankar, Vice Chairman and coordinated by Shri. Chrandakant Rane. The Judges for the 1st day were Dr. S.V. Viswanathan and Mr. Purushottam Yewle while the judges on the 2nd day were Mr. Nityanand Parulekar and Mr. Rajaram Khose. Back up and support given by the GC members and the office staff contributed for successfully conducting the convention. Shri. Jotinder Singh Ahluwalia, GC member summarized the program while Shri. Henry Samuel, Jt. Secretary thanked all those who contributed on and off the screen. Thus, another milestone was achieved by the completion of 3rd Virtual Kaizen Competition as a team by QCFI, Mumbai Chapter.





3rd Virtual Competition on Kaizen, Poka Yoke, SMED, Low Cost Automation Awards Summary

Nos. of team participated	Gold	Silver
38	29	9

KAIZEN Special Trophies

Best of the Best Kaizen	RCF Ltd. Mumbai
2nd Best Kaizen	Tata Motors, Pimpari, Pune
3rd Best Kaizen	Roop Polymers Ltd., Chakan, Pune

POKA YOKE Special Trophies

Best POKA YOKE	Daimler, Kanchipuram
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LCA Special Trophies

Best LCAA Asahi Glass T- 16, Taloja





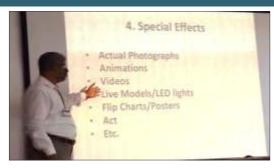








Judges Training at RCF Mumbai





Mr. S. S. Patankar, Vice Chairman, Mumbai Chapter conducted program for Guidance to Judges. This was a top management program. Ten Sr. Managers from RCF Ltd attended the session for one hour, for this year's case study presentations evaluation





1st HR Conclave - 2023

The presentation on 'Manthan' by Mr Mahaveer Gupta AVP Maintenance, JSW Steel Coated Products Ltd, Tarapur and Mr Harshal Pradhan, Dir (MABEC) was highly appreciated by all the delegates at QCFI HR Conclave.







'Manthan' - The Competency Development initiative at the JSW Coated Business plants is unique in India which is based on CUDBAS concept supported by MABEC. The Tarapur plant of the JSW Coated Business has been the pilot plant for launching this initiative.

'Manthan' aims at enhancing the ability of the frontline employees and associates to work safely, efficiently and accurately with enhancement in crucial abilities like work place organising, emergency response, work place documentation, process control, autonomous maintenance, trouble shooting, problem solving, wastage control, asset maintenance & ethical behaviour etc.

Dronacharya workshop







Shri Digambar Dalvi, Director, DVET (Govt. of Maharashtra) and Shri Rajendra Potdar, Vice Chairman, QCFI, Mumbai Chapter jointly declared 5S Wall Competition for ITI Colleges during the "Dronacharya workshop" for ITI principals jointly organized by JSW Steel Coated Products Ltd and MABEC held on 26th and 27th May'23.

Basic objective of the 5S Wall competition is to create awareness on 5S-Workplace Organizing at ITI institutes in Thane, Palghar, Mumbai and Raigarh.

Best ITI College in this competition will be felicitated at CCQC 2023.

QCFI Mumbai Chapter thanked JSW Steel Coated Products, Tarapur for 5S wall display in the Plant.





Kishori Shakti - Personality Development Program

'Kishori Shakti' program for 6 days in collaboration with NGO, Service Civil International – India. Subject, 'Personality Development' was taken by Shri Henry Samuel on the 1st day.





Notice

37th Annual General Meeting

As per Clause 3.4.3 of QCFI Constitution, 37th Annual General Meeting of the Mumbai Chapter will be held at Caper Banquet, Conference Hall, Opp. Hotel Chakra, Andheri East, Mumbai to transact the following business:

Date : 29th July 2023 Time – 5:00 pm

Agenda

- 1. To confirm the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 30th July 2022
- 2. To consider and adopt the Annual Report of the Chapter for the year 2022 2023
- 3. To consider and adopt audited Report & Balance Sheet & Income & Expenditure Statement for the year 2022 2023
- 4. To appoint auditors for the year 2023 2024 and fix their remuneration
- 5. Any other relevant matter with the permission of Chair

Sd/-

V K Lad

Secretary

Quorum of the meeting, if the quoroum if not complete at 5:00 pm, the meeting shall stand adjourned for half an hour. The meeting will be reconvented with the members present at 5:30 pm. No quorum will be necessary for the reconvened meeting.

Members desirous of raising any query, are requsted to send/submit the same to QCFI, Mumbai Office four days before the date of the AGM 2023.

RSVP:- Please confirm your participation







ANNUAL CONVENTION ON QUALITY CONCEPTS

CCQC - 2023

on 30th September & 1st October 2023

Theme
"Nurture Quality Concepts for a better future"

Quality Circles

Other Concepts

5 S, Kaizen, SMED, LQC Poka Yoke, QIT, SGA, LSC, TPM, Six Sigma, VE and

Venue Zaverben Auditorium, Ghatkopar, East, Mumbai - 400 077



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