

# 6<sup>th</sup> Virtual Competition

on

**KAIZEN, POKA - YOKE, SMED  
& LOW COST AUTOMATION**

**On 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**KAIZEN**

Continuous  
Improvement



**POKA YOKE**

Mistake Proof



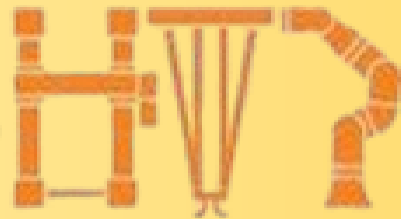
**SMED**

Single Minute  
Exchange of Die



**LCA**

Low Cost  
Automation



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## Dear Members (QCFI Mumbai Chapter),

QCFI Mumbai Chapter proudly continues its commitment to the propagation of kaizen culture by supporting organisations in their continuous improvement journey.

Mumbai Chapter continues to help individuals through a team culture by providing them with a common platform for showcasing their improvement case studies and making them feel like partners in the organization's success rather than just employees.

Mumbai Chapter has successfully conducted the 6th Virtual Kaizen Competition on 23rd & 24th April 2026 providing a prestigious platform for organisational & institutional teams to showcase their improvement initiatives and innovative practices. This competition focussed on the following four Quality concepts: Kaizen (Continuous Improvement) / SMED (Single Minute Exchange of Dies) / Poka-Yoke (Mistake Proofing) / Low Cost Automation (LCA)

This Kaizen competition was designed for encouraging employees to improve their daily work processes, helping them upgrade their competencies and broaden their perspectives, facilitating self-realisation in the journey of excellence.

We are extremely happy to share with you that the virtual kaizen competition witnessed tremendous enthusiastic participation from various sectors of Industry with 78 entries across the four categories. There is a 13% increase in the number of entries vis-a-vis last year. There has also been a substantial increase in the participation of non-industry institutions like colleges.

The presentations by various teams were characterized by scientific content, adherence to prescribed methodology, seamless collaboration, shared expertise, and cohesive well-rehearsed transitions. The teams successfully managed to engage the audience through varied media, strong body language, and consistent, professional presentation style.

The virtual kaizen competition became a blockbuster successful event with tremendous efforts from the Mumbai Chapter governing council office bearers, GC members, executive committee members, event coordinators, participating teams & jury with a visionary leadership from Hon. Chairperson, Ms Leena Gudhekar and Hon. Vice Chairman, Shri Jotinder Singh Ahluwalia, the convener of the event.

The Mumbai Chapter will continue to provide various platforms for individual and social development by fostering improvement culture through interactive learning, critical thinking, problem solving and the exchange of ideas on topics related to sectors like manufacturing, process industry, technology, finance, retail, logistics, services, agriculture, education, health and all other emerging sectors.

Most profound thanks to all the participating teams and their respective organisations - institutions for their enthusiastic participation.

Sincere thanks to the Mumbai Chapter Governing Council members and office administration staff for successfully orchestrating the virtual kaizen competition.

Heartfelt thanks to the Executive Committee and the Jury for their whole hearted support in making the event a grand success.

Whole hearted thanks to all those who have directly or indirectly contributed to the great success of this virtual kaizen competition.

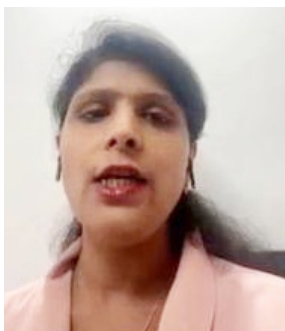
The success of this event has been a true team effort with good wishes and blessings from members across the Mumbai Chapter family.

Mumbai Chapter expects an active participation from all corporate members in our forthcoming CCQC 2026 scheduled at the end of August 2026.

Thank you & Regards

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