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7th TPM National Conference

6-7 February 2007 : Chennai



Inaugural Session in progress (from left to right): Yoshitaka Murase, Kinjirou Nakano, R Seshasayee, V Narasimhan and Sarita Nagpal

The 7th TPM National Conference was held in Chennai on 6-7 February 2007. This conference was a meeting ground of more than 500 delegates from more than 200 companies from around the country. The key objectives being to track best practices in the country and outside. Each TPM conference has become a milestone in setting benchmarks for making Indian Manufacturing Industry globally competitive.

The purpose of this conference was to showcase best practices and success stories in the journey of TPM. This was also an opportunity to track trends on the TPM methodology adopted by successful companies. This year in India, for the first time new concepts in TPM were introduced through the following sessions :

- Journey towards World Class TPM Excellence - Unilever Ltd
- Shopfloor Kaizen Tour by Aqua Group
- Panel discussion on "Blasting mindset Rocks" for TPM implementation
- JH Cockpit
- Maintenance SOP(Standard Operating Procedure).

In his welcome address, Mr V.Narasimhan, Chairman- TPM Club India and Executive Director-Brakes India Ltd detailed out the work that was carried out in 2006-07 and also laid out the plan for the year 2007-08. Further he informed that the year, which went by, was a very successful year for TPM club India. Many new initiatives were taken and completed successfully. The number of TPM awards in India crossed 100. So far 111 awards have received by 82 companies in various categories. He also mentioned that India was the second to country in the world to cross 100 apart from Japan. Hindustan Lever Ltd, Mangalore was congratulated for becoming the first Indian company to get the Special Award for TPM achievement.

He informed the participants that this year is also a very special year as Dr Manmohan Singh, Prime Minister of India along with his Japanese counterpart, Mr Shinzo Abe, Prime Minister of Japan launched the India-Japan Friendship Year 2007 on 14 December 2006 and that many programmes would be organized by CII coinciding with this announcement and to celebrate the same.

Mr Kinjirou Nakano, Advisor TPM Club India and, Executive Vice President JIPMS informed that from statistical data it was visible that from 1990 TPM was spread over the overseas and from 2003 and 2004 onwards it became very popular. In India TPM was started by the efforts of Mr Sueo Yamaguchi and Vikram Cements was the first company to get TPM award in 1995 and the growth has been phenomenal and that in 2006 Hindustan Lever got the Special award for TPM achievement. Step by step in India TPM has gained lot of influence and is becoming very popular with more companies willing to practice TPM.

He stressed the fact that in TPM, the major focus should be at kaizens on losses - Kaizens connected to reduce the losses in order to improve the efficiency of the company. Another aspect in TPM was maintenance. When kaizens are being implemented, it should be ensured that companies must maintain the equipment and by doing further improvements to prevent it from going to the original worse condition.

Mr Murase, Advisor JIPM expressed his privilege for attending the conference on behalf of JIPM. He said that JIPM felt honoured because TPM was growing rapidly in India. He read the message of Mr Hajime Sasaki, Chairman, JIPM.

Quote:

We, JIPM feel honoured as we see growing interest in TPM activities in India and we have utmost respect for Indian people in the factories implementing TPM and value add people in CII. CII has applied for Assessment Agency, which performs assessment for the TPM Award in India. We are much pleased to announce here that CII was authorised at the TPM Award Assessment Committee meeting on Jan 19 and at the Board meeting on Jan 24. CII will start its operation from this April. As many of you may have known the Vikram Cement won the First TPM Award in 1995 and since then TPM has been widely recognised in India. With the cooperation and the contribution of CII, numerous companies have implemented the TPM activity. It is a great honour for us to make another new step with CII. JIPM wants that TPM can further contribute to many companies including small & medium size enterprises in India. We would much appreciate for your cooperation. In conclusion, I would like to send our warmest blessing to CII and TPM National Conference.

Unquote



Mr R Seshasayee handing over Newly released TPM book on "Education and Training" to Mr Kinjiro Nkano

Mr R. Seshasayee, President, CII and Managing Director, Ashok Leyland in his speech laid emphasis more on productivity and informed that CII has taken the initiative to accelerate the industries with poor productivity, non-conformity

products to come up with higher productivity and quality products. He complimented the companies who won the TPM award.

He said that in the last few years Indian manufacturing industries registered significant growth of 10-11%. This success has come as a result of competitiveness of Indian manufacturing industries shop floor. All the improvements have come in the last 10 years through the valuable guidance of TPM gurus like Mr Yamaguchi and the team from JIPMS.

"Our Gurus" came from Japan and taught Indian companies what productivity and quality meant and they made Japanese words like kaizen become a part of shop lexicon and opened our eyes to know our potential. For that we have to pay our obeisance to the Gurus and acknowledge their help for our success.

Each shop floor manager have to realise the more inefficiency he takes out will improve the productivity. The only sustainable way of doing that is to have a significant infusion of innovation. While implementing productivity, quality in the shop floor we need to find non-linear way of finding solutions.. There are 1,40,000,00 of small-scale companies who contributes 60% of India's export in which all the units are not good in terms of quality and in terms of productivity. There is a need to put more traction, more acceleration behind the efforts to get them who are trailing behind to come up in terms of productivity and quality.

This task CII has taken on itself. The major agenda CII has to take was to make Indian industries to accept the mantra of productivity improvement and take it forward not only at all levels, but also to get those who are in higher level to understand the productivity is the key for the economic growth. The economic growth of a country is directly linked with productivity growth.

He further stressed that productivity did not mean loss of job but was exactly the opposite. Implementation of productivity tool improves competitiveness, that improves growth and because of growth there will be a greater degree of manpower induction. He concluded that productivity was the primary goal and to do that no efforts should be spared to impart skills and knowledge, do simple automation and need to find the way of innovation and all these were on the agenda for CII.

At the inaugural session, Mr Seshasayee released the book on "Education and Training" written by TPM Club India and Mr Nakano released the book on "Engineering & Management "Know-How" Hand Book Machining Industry which is a compilation of the successful experiences of Bajaj Auto Vendors.

Coinciding with the National Conference, a Poster competition was organised to speed up the promotion of TPM in India exclusively for the members of TPM Club India. This was a unique competition where 46 companies contributed 256

posters to bring their creative talents to help spread awareness about TPM to a greater spread. 19 posters were short-listed by a panel of jury which are now available for use by all interested companies.



Sessions in progress

Winners of Sona Kaizen Award and Kaizen Champion Trophy 2006

S. No.	Company	Topic
1.	Brakes India Ltd, Brakes Division	Internal Rework Elimination
2.	ABI Showatech India Ltd	Reduction of Set up Loss
3.	Badve Engineering Pvt Ltd	Reduce Operation Motion Loss



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Winners of the Poster competition



From the Press



Audience during conference



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