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Annual Activity Report of Greater Mumbai Chapter Period: 01/05/2023 to 30/04/2024

Year 2023-24 has been good in terms of activities for the chapter. Under the guidance of enthusiastic and experienced Council, activities were planned and carefully executed as per the following Table.

Activity Report - IIF- GMC Year 2023-24

Dated 1st May, 2023 to 30thApril, 2024

Sr. No	Date	Subject/ Activity	Remarks		
1	13 th July, 2023	Council Meeting	1 st		
2	11 th August, 2023	Council Meeting	2 nd		
3	11 th August, 2023	National Foundry Day	NFD		
4	04 th Sept.,2023	Works Visit	1 day		
5	11 th Sept. 2023	Eklavya Project (Bringing Generations Together) Thakur College	Talk		
6	27 th Oct., 2023	Council Meeting	3 rd		
7	09 th Nov. 2023	Use of Simulation for new product development and cost Optimization by Mr.Anant Bam	Webinar		
8	08 th Dec. 2023	Clean Molten Metal	1 day Seminar		
9	19 th Dec. 2023	Council Meeting	4 th		
10	1 st March 2024	Entrepreneurship Awareness Program on schemes of Ministry of MSME	Seminar		
11	03 rd May 2024	Buyer Seller meet	One day		



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1. Minutes of 1st council meeting held on 13th July 2023 through online Zoom

Welcome by GMC Chairman Mr Sudeep Shah

• To nominate the signatories to operate a Bank Account.

Current Signatories were discussed; Ruma Rao, Hemant Bhat, Sudeep and Pratik Shah. Miss Shyamal suggested to get Ian Nazareth and Manan Shah as updated signatory.

• To co-opt members to the Council

Mr. Ajay Shinde who was in the meeting was suggested to join the council as LCB Sourcing.

- To approve the activity plan for the year.
- a. Ian presented the plan for the quarter from an excel file. There was a breakup of all the activities per quarter proposed.
- b. Discussion related to the event 1-2 days seminar that was proposed to be scheduled in November December this year.

Some points suggested regarding the seminar.

Miss Shyamal said that we'd need to plan 3 months in advance

Mr Sudeep Shah suggested that we merge chapters to increase audience.

Miss Ruma based on last times experience suggested we stick to one day instead of 2 days.

Any other business with the permission of the chair :

- a. Miss Ruma Rao spoke about Indo-German chapter wanting to take things further and meeting them during July itself.
- b. Mr Sudeep Shah introduced Miss Aarti to the council as Miss Shyamal is retiring soon.

· To fix the date and time of the next council meeting

The 2nd council meeting is scheduled to be held at the NDF event / celebration being held next month. Before the NDF event starts in person.

Vote of thanks :Mr Ian Nazareth gave the vote of thanks to conclude.

Thank you,

Hon. Secretary Mr.Ian Nazareth.



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2. Minutes of 2ndcouncil meeting held on 11th August 2023 at Ira By Orchid Hotels (Vits International)

- Welcome by Mr. Sudeep Shah Chairman GMC
- Mins of 1st council meeting were unanimously approved by all the members present.
- Activity plan discussed in detail as follows:
 - > Student programme planned along with Mr.Sanjay Kumar, details and specifics to be worked out in due course.
 - Work visit for the1stQuarterwas extensively discussed, some of the suggested locations are below:

Kumud Metal Foundry

Superkinos

Aluminum Foundry

Chandan Steel

Nandratan Foundry

Metafore-Lost Foam Foundry -Suggested by Mr. Ajay Shinde

- > Zoom Online Technical seminar to be held by Mr. Ramesh Menon suggested NDT as a topic since many foundries are still in the dark with it.
- One Day Seminar to be arranged in November-Committee to be formed in due course for the same: Names of the committee will be finalized by Mr. Sudeep Shah
- Membership renewal
- Earlier membership list of 350 members to be obtained and followed up on from 2006-2008 period.
- 32 members were left to renew from the previous year22-23.
- Personal phone call suggested by Mr. Aggarwal to get members to relist and renew.
- No other business was discussed or suggested.
- Ian Nazareth gave the vote of thanks to conclude before heading on for high tea and NDF celebrations.



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3. Report on National Foundry day celebration on 11th August 2023 at By Orchid, (Vits International), Andheri, Mumbai

Mrs. AartiGhag requested GMC Chapter Chairman Mr. Sudeep shah to escort Mr. Vinod Aggarwal to grace the dias, requested GMC Chapter Hon. Secretary IAN Nazareth to escort Speaker Mr. Shetal Gonsai.

Welcome all the by Chairman – Mrs.Ruma Rao addressed the gathering and kicked off the NFD Celebration by welcoming all the council members, invitees, participants & their family members.

The evening started with a lecture from Mr. Anirudh Kamdar, our Guest of Honour from M/s Kunkel Wagner who shared his experience and provided valuable insight on Foundry Industry.

This was followed by a lecture by Mr. Gautam Mukhopadhyay from Jayesh Group of Industries who delivered a talk on "How to retain talent in Industry".

Ms.Ruma Rao felicitated both the speakers.

Kunkel Wagner company member completing 25 years membership in IIF, MD of Kunkel Wanger Mr. Anirudh Kamdar was felicited for this honour by presenting a momentos by the chairperson. M/s. Punjabi Foundry also completed 25 years in IIF, But Mr. Iqbal Punjabi could not attend the NFD.

Vote of Thanks by Hon. Secretary – The Hon. Secretary Mr.Binayak Das thanked all the participants for their participation and contribution to this meeting.

This was followed by cocktails and dinner at the venue.





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4. IIF Greater Mumbai Chapter on the 4th of September earlier this month organized a work visit for the benefit of the delegates to two foundries Superkino Equipments Pvt Ltd and M/s Kumud Metal Foundry, both of which are members of GMC as well.

The primary goal of the work visit was knowledge and technology sharing amongst Indian foundries and how we could learn and implement the same in our own companies.

We started off our trip started at 8.10am the morning of 4th September at our rendezvous point from National Park Borivali East on the Highway, and were in total Delegates that attended the visit.

After a quick breakfast stop before Daman we continued to Superkino's and reached the plant around 11am.

Mr Manan Shah, Exec Director from Superkino's greeted us warmly at the gate and welcomed us. He was our guide for the visit.

After a quick briefing about the plant we started down towards the foundry, where the magic happens. The delegates had various questions and tested Mr. Manan's technical knowledge, however he was able to not just answer everything perfectly but also explain it in a way that was understood by the layman.

Later, we visited the fettling department and and subsequently the heat treating and machining departments as well.

Superkino Equipments is very quality conscious and has implemented various quality checkpoints along from process to process, especially since they serve the power sector.

The plant layout was very clean and the delegates were impressed with the attention to detail.

Once we were done with the sand casting unit, Mr Manan later took us a few feet away to their unit II that focused on Die Castings.

Thereafter we returned to unit I to distribute a momento to Mr Manan Shah and team for hosting IIF GMC at their factory.



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All in all the delegates were glad they had the opportunity to visit and thanked Mr Manan Shah and team for their hospitality, before we headed for lunch we took some photos with the IIF banner.

Finally on the way back after lunch we were a bit off schedule and happened to be 2h hours later than expected to Kumud Metal Foundry.

We finally reached Boisar at 5pm in the hope that we would still make it in time to see the furnace running.

2. Kumud Metal Foundry:

Mr. Virag Shah Partner, Kumud Metal Foundry greeted us warmly at the gate and quickly gave us a summary of what his company does, the lineage and the history. Later we moved onwards for the visit.

We started as usual with the place we all came for, the foundry.

Some of the delegates had never been to a Copper based foundry and it was educative for them to see new cost effective methods used in a low volume business. Copper being expensive, all castings that are made in Bronze are only those that can't be replaced with Iron or Aluminum alloys.

Later MrVirag took us around to the various departments such as the impregnation area where castings are duly impregnated so they withstand leak tests and operating pressure.

Thereafter we went onwards to the spectrometer room where most of the work happens in a bronze alloy foundry due to the variety of grades.

Mr. Virag also showed us some of the castings they had recently made for the Chandrayaan-3 programme for ISRO.

IIF GMC then handed over a momento to Mr. Ramesh Shah from Kumud Metal Foundry for their hospitality shown to the delegates



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5.IIF – Greater Mumbai Chapter & Western Region jointly conducted Eklavya Project (Bringing Generations together) along with Shree L R Tiwari College of Engineering on 11th September 2023

Orientation of Foundry Industry & Job opportunity for Mechanical Students in Foundry Industry.

Mr Sanjay Kumar of L R Tiwari college hosted IIF GMC chapter to talk to the students on a few key points, being:

- 1. The foundry industry and the part it plays in manufacturing as a whole.
- 2. The opportunities in the foundry sector from a national perspective.
- 3. Finally how to make an entry into the foundry business fresh out of engineering.

The presentation was well received and all speakers Mr. Manan Shah, Mrs. Ruma Rao, Mr. Yash Singh and Mr. Ian Nazareth did justice to their chosen topics.

Further, Mr .Prayut Bhamawat joined in via a Zoom call to explain the benefits of being a IIF student member.

Questions were taken from the students related to job opportunities and interning with foundries after graduation, or possible career paths.

Overall the students were lively and hungry for knowledge and hopefully we can follow up with the college through Mr Kumar to assess tangible results achieved via the seminar at a later date.

Some students have connected with us through social media channels and we will be mentoring them 1-1.

Vote of Thanks was given by Hon. Secretary Mr. Ian Nazareth.



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6. Minutes of 3rd council meeting held on 27th October 2023 at BKC Office Bandra (East)

Welcome by Sudeep Shah Chairman GMC

Membership status:

- 23 member spending to renew, follow up emails and calls are being taken for the same.
- 10 new members joined the chapter
- Amity resins not interested to renew.

· Activity plan discussed in detail as follows:

Mr. Sudeep and Miss Ruma had visited Mr. Sunil from MSME Mumbai office in Andheri

To discuss the possibility of having an awareness seminar at their venue funded by MSME. This is in the works and initial discussion in on, tentative date would be January. There are many events lined up for the end of the year like Wescon, and the one day seminar which were discussed briefly.

One day seminar by GMC and Western Region

One day seminar status is as follows:

- 61delegates at the moment have confirmed but yet to make their payment, this follow-up is being taken.
- Sponsors follow up responsibility was given out to the various OC members who confirmed them as it would be easier for them to collect the payments.
- Speaker accommodation and travel responsibility was given to Mr.Ian and Miss. Aarti to handle.
- We had discussed to ask sea princess for at tariff discount for the delegates and speakers.
- Chief guest was to be finalized in due course.

Wescon-

- Wescon registration was requested by members to complete by 31stOctober to avail the discounts and confirm availability quickly.
- Quiz participants from GMC were required for at least 1team.
- Yet to be finalized as Mr. Mehul Shah and Mr. Ian Nazareth
- Ian Nazareth gave the vote of thanks to conclude.



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7. Report on online Webinar "Use of Simulation for new product development and cost Optimization" by Mr. Anant Bam on 09th November, 2023.

Welcomes of all the members are given by Mrs. Aarti Ghag. In brief Mr. Manan gave Introduction of to days Speaker Mr. Anant Bam.

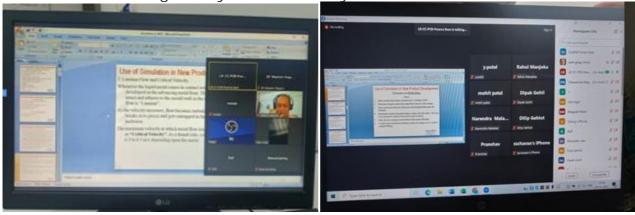
Mr.Anant Bam started the Webinar with PPT. Use of Simulation in New Product Development Steps in New Product Development

- 1. Drawing/Component Study for feasibility.
- 2. Corrections/ modifications in model for cast ability.
- 3. Process Selection.
- 4. Methoding. Using Simulation Tool. 5. Tooling Manufacturing(Dies/Patterns,
- 5. Core Boxes, Machining5. Fixtures, Inspection Fixtures, Gauges etc.)
- 6. Casting HT, Post Casting operations.
- 7. Machining.
- 8. Checking, Inspection.
- 9. Painting/Surface Treatment.
- 10. PDI
- 11. Packing, Dispatch.

Use of Simulation in New Product Development Costs In Trials

- 1. Actual Trial Cost: Manpower, Energy, Materialsetc.
- 2. Cost of lost production.
- 3. Overheads (Supervision/Management Involvement.
- 4. Cost of potential re-work in tooling.
- 5. Hidden cost of low yield.

Vote of Thanks was given by Hon. Secretary Mr. Manan Shah.





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8. IIF GMC along with Western region conducted a one day seminar on the topic of Clean Molten Metal for Quality Casting Production on 8th of December 2023 @Hotel Sea Princess, Juhu, Mumbai.

The Day began with breakfast at 9.30 am sharp as the delegates started to arrive.

The event was first kicked off with inauguration at 10.30 by inviting the office bearers, guests and chief guests to the stage one by one followed by their felicitation.

On the dias were present Mr. Prayut Bhamawat Western Region Chairman, Guest of Honour. Mr. SP Oudhia, Chief Guest Mr.Gautam Mukhopadhyay, Mr Sudeep Shah GMC Chairman and Mr. Ian Nazareth GMC Secretary.



Next, there was the customary lighting of the lamp:





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Next we had the felicitation of the sponsors & OC members.

With the inaugural events out of the way, we had a small break for tea before going onto the sessions for the day.

First Session was conducted by session chairman Ruma Rao:

Speaker 1: Mr. Subramanium Sundaram Ex. Dy. General Manager, (Foundry), Tata Motors Ltd. Pune he presentation on the topic of Origin & Occurrence of Metallic and non metallic inclusions in Castings and its impact on Castings Quality.

He said that "Clean Molten Metal" connotes not just the metal made in a melting furnace while the Metal that forms the shape-perfect casting must be clean too. Often sources of blemishes apparent on the exterior surfaces of a casting are traced to materials of the mould and are amenable for corrections. Those that lie beneath the surfaces do cause annoyance to the machining operations and more importantly can trigger failures in applications involving cyclic / thermal / impact stresses affecting life expectancies or safety requirements. This presentation is not about a Clean Molten Metal exiting the melting furnace, but focuses on its passage till the last liquids finally become solid inside the mould. The issues that arise are closely related to thermal effects, flow disturbances and chemical & metallurgical changes during this journey. Here is an attempt to revisit the origins and occurrences of internal defects, namely metallic and non-metallic inclusions, and their impact on quality of castings.



Speaker 2: Mr. Jayant Patankar – Advisor Technical Services MPM Ltd. Nagpur on the topic of Effective Design of gating systems for Clean Metal entry into Mould Cavity.

Designing an effective gating system for clean metal entry into a mold cavity is crucial in the field of metal casting.



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The gating system ensures that the molten metal flows smoothly into the mold, minimizing defects and producing high-quality castings.

The key considerations for designing such a system involve elaborate calculations with help of some 19 steps.

In summary, designing an effective gating system for clean metal entry into a mold cavity involves a combination of engineering principles, material science, and practical testing.

The goal is to ensure a smooth and controlled flow of molten metal, which in turn minimizes defects and produces high-quality castings.

Even after a good gating system design is implemented, there are many process variables that can contaminate the Molten metal.

In this context the first 9 slides are dedicated to identifying cause & remedies and balance 38 slides are dedicated to Gating System design.



Followed by Felicitation of our Session Chairperson Ms. Ruma Rao by Mr. Ramesh Shah

After this we had a break for lunch followed by our next session chaired by Mr. Mukund Velankar

SESSION 2

Speaker 3: Mr. Nitin Patil - Solution Manager, Foseco India Ltd., Pune on the topic of Molten Metal Filtration technology, filter types, Grades, Specifications & Selection of Filters.

Followed by his felicitation by our Session Chairman Mr. M H Velankar:



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Speaker 4: Mr. Mehul Shah- Director Superskino Equipments Pvt. Ltd. on the topic of Experience in use of Ceramic Molten Metal Filters in Aluminum Castings.

Objective for Using Filter

- Clean metal entering the mold .
- Stream line flow for metal entering the mold. Cavity.
- Higher tool life due to no non metallic inclusion encounter while machining.
- High Radiographic Quality casting.

Followed by his felicitation by the session chairman Mr. M H Velankar



After which we had a small break for tea before going ahead with our last session for the day.



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SESSION 3: Chaired by Mr. Prayas Vyas Vice Chairman - Vadodara Chapter

Speaker 5: Mr. Santosh Rangrej – Head Kagal Division, Menon & Menon Ltd. Kolhapur on the topic of Some experiences of using Filters and Benefits of Usage.

Contents of presentation

- Introduction to casting process
- What is slag/inclusion
- Importance of eliminating slag / inclusion
- Role of ceramic foam filters
- Case I Observations without and with filters
- Case II Experience of Developing alternate supplier of filter -'X'
- Benefits
- Learning
- Conclusion & Future scope



Speaker 6: Mr. Bollavarapu Rao – Dy. Manager, Improvement & projects Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd. Mumbai on the topic of Ceramic Molten Metal filters for Automotive Castings production.

To Reduce Dirt rejection By Introducing Foam filter with Revised Gating ratio.

- Foundry Stage Dirt Rejection reduced by 0.3%
- Foundry Stage blow Hole Rejection reduced by 0.12%
- Machine shop rework reduced by 15%

Yield Improvement of Cylinder Head Casting

- Yield improved from 74.5 to 75.5% (1% improvement)
- Bunch weight reduced from 98.46 kg to 97.46 kg (1 Kg reduction)
- Cost saving = Rs 36 lakhs/Annum



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{1 x 30 x 120000(Weight reduction x Metal Conversion Cost x Volume)}

Yield Improvement of all Castings

- Crank Case Yield improved from 79.8 to 80.5% (0.9 %improvement)
- Cyl Head Yield improved from 75.4 to 76.2% (0.8 %improvement)
- Cost saving =Rs. 60.9 lakhs/Annum



Speaker 7: Mr. Kunal Gokhale– Ask Chemical on the topic of Foam Filters - Type and Specifications and Applications with some case studies.

Basics

Risers in casting process History

Technology

Main Raw Materials

Production Process (ASK) / Production locations

Requirements / Influencing Factors (for successful use of products / process optimization)

Advantages (compared to alternative products / processes)

Application of our products: key aspects to consider

Environmental Aspects / Relevant Regulations (including future outlook)

Typical customers challenges and our "solutions"

Video Examples for application of products

Product Portfolio Overview

Overview Products / Product Categories / Families Key Innovative Products incl. Pipeline (main focus)



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Packaging overview

Value Add of Our Products / Unique Selling Proposition



Before things were concluded for the day, our MOC Mr.Ian Nazareth was felicitated by Mr Suresh Chavan



And finally to conclude things for the day the vote of thanks was given by Mr Ian Nazareth our GMC Secretary and MC for the Day:



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The seminar was finally concluded 30mins earlier than expected to finish by 5.30pm.

To sum it up, it was a fruitful turnout with the delegates taking back more in knowledge than they brought with them culminating into a success.

Some photos taken during the day are enclosed:







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- 9. Minutes of 4th Hybrid mode council meeting held on 19th December, 2023 at BKC Office
- Welcome by Mr. Sudeep Shah Chairman GMC.

Next 3months Activity: Activity plan discussed in detail as follows:

➤ Mr. Sudeep Shah and Miss. Ruma Rao had visited Mr. Sunil from **MSME Mumbai** office again on 19th Dec 2023in Andheri to discuss the possibility of having an awareness seminar at their venue funded by MSME the final date fix by all the members is 23rd Feb 2023. Participation of 50 members for the MSME awareness is needed. Venue: Andheri Sakinaka near metro station.

So GMC planning for jointly organizing with ASM, material re-cycling & other association. There will be 4 speakers: 1. MSME, 2. NSIC, 3. Banker, 4. Motivational Speakers. MSME Speakers will cover all the benefits for micro medium small enterprises or the companies, Make us aware about how to fill up the tenders, even how we can participate in the Exhibition & will brief on export forum. NSIC: GEM portal or Railway tendering EMD amount we need not pay. Bankers: MSME association will help us to cover the stuck Payment if required.

- ➤ **B2B** Meet Planning with Western Region in March 2024, the discussion is on with WR Chairman.
- ➤ Planning for Work Visit @ Vasai Sujan Industries non Ferrous Casting & another is Grey Cast Foundry of Mr. Yash Singh. The discussion is on for Work visit. Mr. Velenkar suggested for Mahindra & Mahindra foundry visit.

Any other Matter:

GMC chapter has achieved 100% Membership & received mail from Ho that Mr. Yatin shah & Mrs. Ruma Rao has elected membership Champion from WR and GMC Chapter respectively. All the Members present for the Council Meet Congratulate both the Members.

Aarti Ghag gave the vote of thanks to conclude.



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10. Report of Entrepreneurship Awareness Program on MSME & NSIC Scheme on 1st March, 2024 at MSME DFO, Sakinaka Andheri (East)

1st Speaker - Mr.Sunil Khujnare is Assistant Director of MSME DFO.

He briefed about MSME Development Organisation, Under Ministry of MSME, Govt of India. He is providing services to Existing n Prospective entrepreneurs in terms of Development of MSMEs through implementing various schemes of Ministry of MSME. Further, he is providing services n assistance to Prospective entrepreneurs for setting up of Sez n Eou units since I have a experience of Sez Development n setting up of Sez units in Maharashtra n worked in the capacity of Asstt. Development Commissioner in SeepzSez ,under Ministry of commerce, GOI, Mumbai. Further he gave information of steel plant, Rolling mills n foundry industry of MNC n Pvtsector.

2nd speaker Kantharao Jinna Branch Manager, Mumbai at NSIC LTD. He explained NSIC Schemes & programme integrated support to MSME.

3rd Speaker - Mr. Santosh Gat, Industries Inspector who gave presentation on State Government schemes for MSME





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10. IIF Western Region, in collaboration with the Greater Mumbai Chapter, hosted the Casting Buyer Seller Meet (B2B Meet 2024) exclusively for the benefit of MSME foundries on 3rd May 2024 at Hotel Orchid Mumbai.

It was a full day event from 9.00am to 6.30pm. The event drew approximately 70 delegates including Buyers & Sellers and was inaugurated at the beginning with the lighting of the lamp.

GMC Chapter Hon. Secretary Mr. Ian did the MOC for the day and Welcome address was given by GMC chapter Chairman Mr. Sudeep Shah.

Next Mr. Ian Invited Mr.PrayutBhamawat WR Chairman who addressed the gathering on the importance of such a meet.

Mrs. Ruma Rao the event Convenor also addressed the gathering, she was the person who took the initiative last year with Mrs. Anuja Sharma & WR Chairman Mr. Prayut Bhamawat. She mentioned it was version 2.0 of the Buyer seller meet.

Nextall the buyers presented their company profiles and requirements :

- 1. Valmet Technologies Pvt Ltd- Mr. Shreehari Patil.
- 2. Jash Engineering Ltd Mr. AshishDharwa
- 3. BKT Tires Mr. Vishal Jha
- 4. Shreekrupa Pumps & Lecon Valves Pvt Ltd SL Abhayankar.
- 5. LCB Sourcing Ajay Shinde
- 6. Fobers Marshall Rajesh Wakte.
- 7. KripaKandade Fykays engineering private ltd supplier booth also gave the presentation.

Later, All the Buyers & Sponsors were felicitated by WR & GMC Chairman with WR Hon. Secretary & Mr. Suresh Chavan – Past WR Chairman. Mr. Suresh Chavan addressed the gathering as well.

Hon. Secretary of Mr. Atin Jain finally gave vote of Thanks.

After Lunch break the important part of the event : One on One interaction between the buyers and sellers started with a 10 minute slot each per foundry.

The meeting of buyer seller was well organized in two halls with breakup of 4 buyers in each hall.

The Program went in smooth way as all the Buyers & supplier was happy after.



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Photos:













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MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

We are pleased to inform that our membership is 150 as on 31st March, 2024.

2.73% Growth membership



Gr. Mumbai Chapter has Members as on 31/03/2024 = 150 members.

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Chapter		LM	AFL	IM	CM-1	CM-2	CM-3	CM-4	CM-	CM-	M	SM	, E	TOTAL
					2R	4R	7R	10R	513R	616R				
	Votes	1	1	0	2	4	7	10	13	16	1	0	1	
GMC as on	Membership	15	2	0	14	21	5	15	5	5	58	2	4	146
01/04/2023	Voting Value	15	2	0	28	84	35	150	65	80	58	2	4	523
GMC as on	Membership	15	2	0	20	19	5	14	4	7	59	1	4	150
31/03/2024	Voting Value	15	2	0	40	76	35	140	52	112	59	1	4	536