

Activity Report of Kolhapur Chapter - 2024-25

During this year Chapter organized 11 Council Meetings with average attendance of 25 members per meeting.

May - 2024

1. Annual Chapter Meeting - We have conducted our 47th Annual Chapter Meeting on 17th May 2024 at Residency Club, Kolhapur. Chief Guest & Key Note Speakers Mr. Kashinath Deodhar, Former renowned Scientist at DRDO & Gun Expert from Pune. Total 100 members of IIF Kolhapur Chapter attended the ACM.

2. A Technical Workshop:

On 29th May 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter along SMAK organized a Technical Workshop on 'Methoding of Gray Cast Iron & Ductile Iron' by Mr. Arvind Deshpande, Free Lance Technical Consultant, Kolhapur. Attended record break 125 delegates.

June – 2024

1. A Workshop on Soft Skills & Team Work :

On 15th June 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & Kolhapur Engineering Association organized a Workshop on 'Importance of Soft Skills & Team Work' by Mr. Prakash Datal , Freelance Motivational Speaker & Soft Skills Trainer Pune. Attended by 75 delegates.

2. An Awareness Workshop by RDSO, Mumbai :

On 26th June 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & RDSO, Mumbai organized an Awareness Workshop on 'Explore Business Opportunities with Indian Railways' by Mr. Rajneesh Tomar, Executive Director, RDSO, Mumbai. Attended by 96 delegates.

3. A One Day Workshop by BIS :

On 29th June 2024 Hotel Pavilion, Kolhapur, IIF Kolhapur Chapter jointly with BIS, Pune organized a One Day Workshop on 'Understanding BIS Certification process in compliance with Cast Iron Quality Control Order, 2023' by Mr. S. D. Rane, Sc. E/ Director & Head, BIS, Pune, Mr. Vinith Kumar G., Sc. E/ Joint Director, BIS, Pune, Mr. Nikhil Chandrate, Sc. B/ Asst. Director, BIS, Pune It was well attended by 62 delegates.

July- 2024

1. An Awareness Workshop on Industry 4.0 :

On 16th July 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & Centre of Excellence, Gokul Shirgaon jointly organized an Awareness Workshop on 'Industry 4.0'. Two Sessions were held during this program 1st by Mr. Satish Ranade on 'Business drivers & disruptive technologies' & 2nd by Dr. Ajay Deshmukh on 'Industry 4.0 & Optimal production'. Attended by 45 delegates.

August- 2024

1. Shop Floor Training under Urja Sanchay Project :

Under Western Region's Initiative of Urja Sanchay Project Kolhapur Chapter alongwith Western Region organized 3 days Shop Floor training of 6 foundries at Five Star MIDC, Kagal. Expert from WR Mr. Shyam Kulkarni conducted these in plant trainings from 6th Aug. 2024 to 8 Aug. 2024.

2. A Technical Workshop under WR's Urja Sanchay Project :

Under WR's Urja Sanchay Project, IIF Kolhapur Chapter & Western Region jointly organized a Workshop on 'Enhancing Melting Efficiency/Productivity & Furnace Lining Shyam Kulkarni, Senior Foundryman, Pune on 6th Aug. 2024 at SMAK Bhavan, Shirol MIDC, Kolhapur. The Workshop was well attended by record number of 165 delegates.

3. Social Activity of Tree Plantation:

On occasion of 75th National Foundry Day on 17th Aug. 2024 - IIF Kolhapur Chapter organized a Social activity of Tree Plantation Drive at SMAK Bhavan area in Shirol MIDC, Kolhapur. More than 55 plants donated by IIF Kolhapur Chapter planted by Hon. MLA of Kolhapur & Former Home Minister of Maharashtra Shri. Satej D. Patil alongwith by Chapter Chairman, OBs & other dignitaries.

4. 75th National Foundry Day Celebration :

On 24th Aug. 2024 at Shivaji University, Kolhapur, IIF Kolhapur Chapter celebrated 75th National Foundry Day with grand manner & enthusiasm. On this occasion Chapter invited *Mr. Achyut Godbole, Famous Author, Entrepreneur, Investor, IITian, Mentor, Public Speaker & Columnist from Mumbai. He gave very informative Keynote Speech on 'AI Technology & Tomorrow's World'.* During this occasion Chapter also felicitated two members who have completed 25 years of IIF Membership & three Women Entrepreneurs, and also felicitated winners of Kushal Worker Award & Practical Foundryman Award. The celebration was well attended by 550 IIF members with family & staffs, Guests, Professors & students of University.

September- 2024

1. A Technical Workshop by FOSECO :

On 10th Sept. 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & FOSECO India jointly organized a Technical Workshop on 'Enhancing the Casting Soundness/Productivity with advanced feeding & filtration System'. Speakers from FOSECO Mr. Piyush Talwar & Mr. Rohan Joshi. Attended by 110 delegates.

October - 2024

1. An Awareness Workshop on 'Work Life Balance' :

On 13th Oct. 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & Lal PathLabs jointly organized an Awareness Workshop on 'Importance of Work Life Balance to unlock your full potential'. Speakers from Lal PathLabs Mr. Harshal Powar & Mr. Azad Dhumal. Attended by 48 delegates.

2. A jointly organsied Webinar on 'Solving Casting Defects' :

A Webinar was organized jointly by IIF Kolhapur, Vadodara & G. Mumbai Chapters on 'Solving Casting Defects' by Mr. Sharad Dhumane, Consultant for Metals & Creations. Attended by 130 delegates.

November – 2024

1. Energy Efficiency Improvement Workshop

On 14th Nov. 2024 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & MEDA jointly organized a Workshop on 'Energy Efficiency Improvements & Cost saving opportunities' by Mr. Pradeep Kulkarni, Pune. This workshop was well attended by 90 delegates.

December 2024

1. A Workshop on 'Driving Excellence through Quality Management'

On 14th Dec. 2024, IIF Kolhapur organized a Workshop under Sharing of Best Practices Series by two Speakers of Ghatge Patil Industries Mr. Nitin Chavan & Mr. Anam Mulla on 'Driving Excellence through Quality Management'. The Session was well attended by 130 delegates.

2. Celebration of Chapter Day :

IIF Kolhapur Chapter celebrated its 48th foundation day with great enthusiasm on 20th Dec. 2024 at Residency Club, Kolhapur. The Chapter day celebration was well attended & enjoyed the program 'Man Chahe Geet' by Mr. Om & his team.

January 2025

1. A Techmart by Feedchem -

On 12th Jan. 2025, FEEDCHEM India P.L. & IIF Kolhapur Chapter jointly organised a Technical Seminar on 'Role of coating & Green sand process in meeting customers quality expectations'. This was well attended by 160 + delegates.

2. A Workshop on 'HR Strategies' -

On 22nd Jan. 2025 – at SMAK Bhavan, Shirol, IIF Kolhapur Chapter, SMAK & AMOR Managements jointly organised a Workshop on 'HR Strategies that Shape Tomorrow's Organizations' by Ms. Sakshi Chavan from Pune. It was well attended by 102 delegates.

3. A Joint Webinar on MSME Schemes-

On 31st Jan. 2025, IIF Greater Mumbai, Pune & Kolhapur Chapter jointly organised a Webinar on 'How to avail 2990 MSME Schemes for Foundry & Machining Industry', by C. A. Yogesh Kulkarni, CEO of Global Finance Professionals. This was attended by 56 delegates.

February 2025

1. An Exclusive Seminar on 'CBAM & EcoVadis' -

IIF Kolhapur Chapter, SMAK & Nirantara Ecoventures, Pune jointly organised a Seminar on 8th Feb. 2025 on 'Achieve success with CBAM & EcoVadis'. Speakers from Nirantara Mr. Prassana & Dr. Bhoite will guided on the above topic. This Seminar was attended by 90 delegates.

2. Two day Seminar at SUK –

Two day Conclave 'Academia – Industry- Government Conclave 1.0' at Shivaji University, Kolhapur : –

Theme: Innovation and Startups for Vikasit Bharat-2047

Dates: 14th and 15th February 2025

Venue: Day I: Shahu Senate Hall & Day II: Humanities Auditorium

The **Academia - Industry - Government Conclave 1.0**, held under the banner of **PM-USHA**, served as a dynamic platform for the interaction of academia, industry, and government, aiming to foster innovation and growth in the context of the nation's future vision, **Vikasit Bharat-2047**. The two-day conclave featured a series of lectures, panel discussions, and exhibitions designed to explore trends, opportunities, and success stories in academia, entrepreneurship, and government initiatives.

The primary objective of this conclave was to bring together the academic, industrial, and governmental sectors to discuss and chart a path for promoting innovation and startups as a part of India's journey toward becoming a developed nation by 2047. The discussions aimed to explore collaborative efforts in fostering entrepreneurship, increasing access to resources, and driving socio-economic development through technological advancements.

Well known speakers from Industry, Educational institutions & Government were invited to present the papers & conduct sessions on various topics.

3. *A Seminar jointly L&T SuFin –*

On 18th Feb. 2025 a Techmart by L & T SuFin on 'Creating efficiencies in supply chain through digitization for MSME's' at Residency Club, Kolhapur was organised but it has got very poor response of only 12 delegates.

4. *A Seminar on Digital Marketing at KEA Hall –*

IIF Kolhapur Chapter, KEA & SMAK jointly organised this workshop on 'Digital Marketing' by Mr. Ruturaj Sarnobat on 27th Feb. 2025. This was attended by 51 delegates.

March 2025

1. *A Symposium by Elkem South East Asia -*

IIF Kolhapur Chapter & ELKEM South East Asia jointly organised a Symposium on 'Applying innovation in foundry to control metallurgical challenges & rejections for grey & ductile iron' on 12th March 2025 at Residency Club, Kolhapur. This Seminar was attended by record number of 325 delegates.

2. *Inaugural of 'Kolhapur First Forum' -*

Inaugural of 'Kolhapur First' a joint forum of all Associations to 9th March 2025 fight against various issues of Kolhapur & Industry. This program was held on 9th March 2025 at Madhusudan Hall, Hotel Pavilion, Kolhapur.

3. *An Awareness Program on IPR -*

IIF Kolhapur Chapter, Shivaji University, MSME & SMAK jointly organized an Awareness Program on 'Intellectual Property Rights for Business Success for MSMEs & Startups' on 22nd March 2025 at SMAK Bhavan, Kolhapur. This program was well attended by 45 delegates.

April 2025

1. *Fire Safety Workshop -*

IIF Kolhapur Chapter organised a Workshop on 'Industrial Fire Safety & Emergency Preparedness' by Mr. Mayur Sewak, Corporate Trainer, Pune on 10th April 2025 at SMAK Bhavan, MIDC, Kolhapur. This Workshop was attended by record number of 115 delegates.

2. *Business Health Check Workshop :*

IIF Kolhapur Chapter organised a Workshop on 'Quick Health Check for Business' by Mr. Umesh Bagnikar, Co-founder, Bets, Pune on 27th April 2025 at SMAK Bhavan, Shirol, Kolhapur. This Workshop was attended by 55 delegates.

May 2025

1. Technical Workshop -

On 7th May 2025 IIF Kolhapur Chapter & IIF Western Region jointly organised a Technical Seminar by Mr. Shyam Kulkarni, Mr. Shashank Agrawal of Oritech & Mr. Navinkumar of Daka Monolites on 'Enhancing Melting Efficiency/Productivity & Furnace Lining Practices.' This Workshop was well attended by 105 delegates.

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3. A Workshop on 'ITC Management' -

On 8th May 2025 - at SMAK Bhavan, Shirolī, IIF Kolhapur Chapter & SMAK jointly organized a Workshop on 'ITC Management: Best practices for claiming & returning' by Mr. Vinayak Gaikwad, Kolhapur. It was well attended by 80 delegates.

4. A Workshop on 'Lean & Six Sigma' -

On 22nd May 2025 - at SMAK Bhavan, Shirolī, IIF Kolhapur Chapter, SMAK & MSSIDC jointly organized a Workshop on ***'Lean Manufacturing tools & Six Sigma approach for Problem Solving'*** by Mr. D.D.Chavan, Kolhapur. It was well attended by 90 delegates.







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