

# Annual Activity Report 2025 - 2026



**The Institute of Indian Foundrymen  
Affiliated Member of World Foundrymen Organization  
(Founded 1950)  
WESTERN REGION - PUNE CHAPTER**





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## **Office Bearers and Council Members - 2025-2026**

### **OFFICE BEARERS:**

Chairman	:	Mr. R. D. Dhumal
Vice Chairman	:	Mr. Ajay Yeole
Hon. Secretary	:	Mr. Shirish Pingale
Hon. Treasurer	:	Mr. Uttam Sinha

### **MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL – (2025-26)**

#### **Elected Members –**

##### **Company - Foundry**

1. Mr. Satish Salvekar - Rushas Engg. Co. Pvt. Ltd.
2. Mr. Laxman Waghmare - Vulkan Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
3. Mr. Maruti Deokamble - Sentinel Mfg. India Pvt. Ltd.
4. Mr. Ajay Yeole - Aras Metal Castings
5. Mr. Suhas Bhingare - Bhingare Castings Pvt. Ltd.

##### **Company – Others**

1. Mr. Shirish Pingale - Avico Exim Pvt. Ltd.
2. Dr. Manisha Kulthe - College of Engineering, Pune
3. Mr. Sanjiwan Krishna Bhoite - Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering
4. Mr. Uttam Kumar Sinha - Metal Impregnations India Pvt Ltd

##### **Individual**

1. Mr. Ramchandra Dhumal
2. Mr. Dhananjay Paranjpe
3. Prof. R. K. Ambegaokar

##### **Co-Opted Members**

1. Mr. Maneesh Aradhye
2. Mr. Manish Badoniya
3. Mr. Sanjeev Acharya

##### **Ex-Officio Member (Past Chairman / Chairperson)**

1. Mr. Apshankar R. V.
2. Mr. Sanjay Waghulde
3. Mr. Rajendra Newadkar

**(All Past Chairmen are Invitees to the Council.)**

Ref. No.: IIF/PC/22/7621

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> April, 2026

**To Members**  
**The Institute of Indian Foundrymen – Pune Chapter**

**Notice for Pune Chapter Annual Chapter Meeting**

The 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Chapter Meeting of The Pune Chapter of The Institute of Indian Foundrymen for 2025-2026 will be held on:

Date : **Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2026**  
Time : **6.30 PM**  
Venue : **Hall No. A-2, PYC Hindu Gymkhana Club, Bhandarkar Road, Deccan Gymkhana, Pune - 411004 (Ph.25664747 / 25663006)**

**Agenda:**

1. Welcome by Chairman.
2. To confirm & approve the minutes of the last ACM held on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2024.
3. Briefing by Hon. Secretary & adopting the Annual Report for the year 2025-2026.
4. Briefing by Hon. Treasurer & adopting the Annual Receipts & Payments Accounts and Trial Balance for the year 2025-2026.
5. To declare and present Chapter Awards (if any). Appreciation of Committee chairman.
6. Welcome to the new members of the chapter & their introduction.
7. Adopting the election results of office bearers for 2026-2028. Welcoming new office bearers & their introduction.
8. Farewell address by outgoing Chairman.
9. Handing over the charge and address by the Incoming Chairman.
10. Any other business with the permission of the chair.
11. Vote of thanks by Incoming Hon. Secretary.

All are cordially invited along with spouse to attend the celebration followed by a healthy dinner.  
**No registration required, however RSVP for your participation is mandatory.**  
Please contact: 9403871063, 020 - 25422902, email: [pune@indianfoundry.org](mailto:pune@indianfoundry.org) **before 6:00 pm on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2026 at IIF Pune Chapter office** by phone or by e-mail. Please cooperate.

Thanking you,

Sincerely Yours,  
For IIF Pune Chapter

Shirish Pingale  
Hon. Secretary



# *From The Chairman's Desk*

Dear IIF Members,

I am pleased to welcome you all on the occasion of the 2025–26 Annual Chapter Meeting. It is a great pleasure for me since IIF Pune Chapter was chaired by great personalities.

ACM allows us to brief about activities done by chapter & what is to be done in future. The 2025–26 year was interesting for the Pune Chapter. Last year Vendor Development Program 2025, a two-day conference, was held on 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2025. The conference was organized by jointly held under the aegis of the MSME DFO, Mumbai, along with IIF WR /IIF FIC/ IIF PC / PCCOE and their Centre for Innovation Incubation & linkage forum (CIIL).

In the Vendor Development Program 2025 Conference, Technical Lectures and exhibition were arranged. Around 107 Nos., delegates attended and 25 Exhibition stalls in the VDP 2025. It was a great Success.

The VDP 2025 was a huge success & thanks to WR Council, specially Mr. Saibal Sen, Mr. Probal Sen & Mr. Rajendra Newadkar.

A special thanks to Pune Chapter Council Mr. Ajay Yeole, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Shirish Pingale, Hon. Secretary, Mr. Uttam Sinha, Hon. Treasurer & all Council members.

Pune Chapter along with WR conducted various programs like Webinar, Works Visit, Students programs.

IIF Pune Chapter is proud to declare the formation of Three students' chapters, at Four engineering colleges, with the student membership of 92 nos.

I am glad to say that our membership count is 266 nos.

During the 2025–26, IIF Pune Chapter conducted following activities:

Technical Meetings – 2 Nos.

Training Programs – 1 Nos.

Workshop – 1 No.

Works Visits – 5 Nos.

Webinar – 2 Nos.

Seminar – 2 Nos.

Now IIF Pune Chapter is focusing on nonferrous foundries also. And 30 – 40% programs were conducted for various nonferrous foundries.

Ref. No.: IIF/PC/22/7623

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2025

**Draft - MINUTES OF ANNUAL CHAPTER MEETING OF PUNE CHAPTER**

HELD ON 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 time :7pm  
AT PYC Hindu Gymkhana, Hall A -2,  
Shivajinagar, Pune 4

Members present for the Annual Chapter Meeting.

1	Mr. R. V. Newadkar	20	Mr. Shyam Kulkarni
2	Mr. Shirish Pingale	21	Mr. Dnyadeo Bhaskar
3	Mr. R. D. Dhumal	22	Mr. Bhausahab Satre
4	Mr. Deepak Bhadkamkar	23	Mr. Maneesh Aradhya
5	Mr. Dhananjay Paranjpe	24	Mr. Sanajy Saraf
6	Mr. Probal Sen	25	Mr. Chandrashekhar Deokar
7	Prof. R. K. Ambegaonkar	26	Mr. Kiran Sohoni
8	Mr. Saibal Sen	27	Mr. Kirit Bandi
9	Mr. Manish Badoniya	28	Mr. Sangram Tayade
10	Mr. Rajendra Katikar	29	Mr. Uttam Sinha
11	Mr. Satish Sohoni	30	Mr. Ajay Yeole
12	Mr. Laxman Waghmare	31	Mr. Jaysing Patil
13	Mr. Naveen Sharma	32	Mrs. Dhumal
14	Mr. M M Bandekar	33	Mrs. Pingale
15	Mr. Ananta Ingwale	34	Mrs. Satre
16	Mr. Sanjeev Acharya	35	Mrs. Bhaskar
17	Mr. B.B.Lohiya	36	Mrs. Sujata
18	Mr. Ammanullah Sheriff	37	Mrs. Meena
19	Mr. R.G.Paranjape	38	Mrs. Komal

The meeting was called for by MOC Mr. Shirish Pingale Hon. Secretary at 7.00 pm.

1. He invited dignitaries to the dais and welcomed the audience.
2. Mr. Shirish Pingale to Propose condolence & 2 minutes' silence in the memory of Prof. S. K. Paknikar member of IIF Pune Chapter
3. Mr. Shirish Pingale welcomes members, WR Chairman Saibal Sen, Chairman R. D. Dhumal, Vice Chairman Ajay Yeole & Hon. Treasure Uttam Sinha requests to come on dais and Felicitation by R. D. Dhumal of Mr. Saibal Sen with a bouquet
4. Hon. Secretary presented the minutes of last ACM held on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024.  
The minutes of the last ACM were approved unanimously.  
Proposed by : Mr. Probal Sen  
Seconded by : Mr. Ajay Yeole
4. Hon. Secretary Mr. Shirish Pingale addressed the gathering and took review of the activities under his chairmanship. He requested the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to present their reports for approval.



5. Hon. Secretary Mr. Shirish Pingale presented the annual activity report for the year 2024 – 25 and placed for the approval and the same was approved unanimously.  
Proposer : Mr. Shyam Kulkarni  
Secunder : Mr. R. G. Paranjape
6. Hon. Treasurer Mr. Uttam Sinha presented the receipt and payment statement for the year 2024 – 25 and placed for the approval and the same was approved unanimously.  
Proposer : Mr. Dhananjay Paranjpe  
Secunder : Mr. Rajendra Newadkar
7. Hon. Secretary Mr. Shirish Pingale announced the names of new member who joined during the year. Chairman Mr. R. D. Dhumal felicitated the new members with a Rose flower. Further the Chairman of various committees who took the responsibilities for various activities were felicitated.
8. Hon. Secretary To announce felicitation of members achievements during the year Felicitation by Chairman Mr. R. D. Dhumal.
9. Western Region Chairman Mr. Saibal Sen felicitated to Mrs. Sujata, Mrs. Meena and Mrs. Komal for their effective office support.
- 10 NCTS Chairman Mr. R. V. Newadkar to Announce the winner of the WASTE TO WEALTH kaizen competition, (Chapter winner) to Vulkan Technologies Pvt. Ltd.
- 11 Hon. Secretary Mr. Shirish Pingale informed the newly elected council members were welcomed with a bouquet of flowers by the Chairman Mr. R. D. Dhumal
- 12 Hon. Secretary Mr. Shirish Pingale announced that the last council meeting of the year 2024 – 25 was held on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 and following office bearers were elected unanimously for the year 2025 -26.  
  
Chairman : Mr. R. D. Dhumal  
Vice Chairman : Mr. Ajay Yeole  
Hon. Secretary : Mr. Shirish Pingale  
Hon. Treasurer : Mr. Uttam Shinha
- 13 Mr. R. D. Dhumal spoke about his plans as an incoming chairman for the year 2025 – 26.
- 14 Mr. Ajay Yeole, Vice Chairman proposed a vote of thanks and invited everyone to join for dinner.

For IIF Pune Chapter

Shirish Pingale  
Hon. Secretary



## **ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2025 – 2026**

### **HIGHLIGHTS**

### **BRIEF REPORT OF ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED DURING THE YEAR**

#### **June 2025**

- Technical Webinar, Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2025  
“BIS Regulations on Ferrous on Foundries”  
Speaker: Mr. Vinod Sale, Spectrum Consulting Engineers

#### **July 2025**

- Technical Meeting – Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2025  
"AI & ML (artificial intelligence & machine learning)"  
Speaker: Dr. Manisha Nene, Director of MAJINE Systems Pvt. Ltd, a DIAT-DRDO

#### **August 2025**

- National Foundry Day - Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2025  
“Legacy of Indian Navy and Life on board a Nuclear Submarine” was delivered by Rear Admiral Ashish P. Kulkarni (VSM) (Retd.)

#### **September 2025**

- Technical Meeting, Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2025  
“Effective Use of Metallurgical Chemicals, Diecoats, Master Alloys & Ceramic Sleeves To improve the Bottom Line of Aluminium Foundries”  
Mr. Sanjeev Tungatkar (B.E MET.) Chairman & MD
- Works Visit, Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2025  
Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation, Pune

#### **October 2025**

- Student chapter inauguration at Solapur, Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2025  
BRAHMADEV DADA MANE POLYTECHNIC, Solapur

#### **December 2025**

- Chapter Foundation Day, Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2025  
Chief Guest: Hari E. Godbole  
Entertainment Program: Mr. Jaysing Vasant Patil
- Vendor Development Program, Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2025 and Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2025



## January 2026

- Webinar, Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2026  
“Future ready Foundries - Integrating Renewable Energy into Indian Metal industry”  
Mr. D. A. Chandekar and Dr. Kaustubh Gondhalekar
- Seminar, Faculty Development Programme  
29<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026 to 31<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2026, Brahmdevdada Mane Polytechnic, Solapur  
Recent Trends in Foundry Technology  
Mr. Karan Shah, Executive Director, Precision Camshafts Limited
- Inauguration of Student Chapter, 30<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2026  
S.E.S. Polytechnic, Solapur
- Students Works Visit, Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2026  
Vulkan Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Pirangut, Pune

## February 2026

- Works Visit, **Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> Feb., 2026**  
Paranjape Autocast Pvt. Ltd., Satara

## March 2026

- Workshop, Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2026  
Casting Processes  
Mr. Maneesh Aradhye
- Students Works Visit, Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2026  
Manu Alloys and Castings Pvt. Ltd, Solapur
- Training Program, Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 - Vulkan Technologies Pvt Ltd.  
“Melting Practices of Aluminium”  
Mr. Rajendra Newadkar, Mentor IIF NCTS and Consultant

## April 2026

- Inauguration of Student Chapter, 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2026  
COEP, Pune



# **Details of Activities Conducted During the Year** **2025-2026**

## **A. NATIONAL FOUNDRY DAY**

76<sup>th</sup> National Foundry Day was celebrated with the great enthusiasm on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at PYC Gymkhana Hall, Pune.

Mr. Shirish Pingale, Hon. Secretary IIF Pune Chapter proposed to convey condolence & 2 minutes' silence in the memory of Late R. D. Chavan, Past Chairman of IIF Pune Chapter. Over 50 family members of our chapter gathered in the evening to celebrate achievements of our outstanding children and of those completing 25 years of their membership. An interesting talk on the "Legacy of Indian Navy and Life on board a Nuclear Submarine" was delivered by Rear Admiral Ashish P. Kulkarni (VSM) (Retd.)

Chairman R. D. Dhumal welcomed Chief Guest Rear Admiral Ashish P. Kulkarni (VSM) (Retd) with a bouquet of Flowers. Felicitations by Vice Chairman was done of those Completing 25 years of IIF membership. Felicitations by Secretary was done of the New Members after Annual Chapter Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2025. Felicitations by the treasurer were done of the children of our members for their meritorious academic and extra-curricular achievements.

Mr. Deepak Bhadkamkar and Mrs. Mukta Kulkarni received the trophies from IIF on their completion of 25 years of membership.

The introduction of Rear Admiral Ashish Kulkarni (VSM) (Retd.) was done by Mr. Probal Sen, Joint. Hon. Secretary, Western Region & Chairman Event Management, IIF Pune Chapter.

An excellent program with an interesting talk on the "Legacy of Indian Navy and Life on board a Nuclear Submarine" was delivered by Rear Admiral Ashish P. Kulkarni (VSM) (Retd.) and was very much appreciated by all present. Rear Admiral Kulkarni took us back in time to the Harappan age (3000 BC) when there was a dry dock in India for ship repairs!!! He explained about the importance of having such a sound and powerful coastal protection by the Indian Navy in the present scenario. The same was very much followed by our ancestors and kings like Chatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. He explained about the changes that happened in the last few decades and also about perceptions and approach by Indian government for procurement and readiness of warships. Now instead of purchasing warships, India is ready for total establishing new highly equipped war ships for our own purpose and also for exporting to other countries.

The life of a soldier on board a submarine was very well explained by him with all challenges the Submariners face on a day-to-day basis. It was a really thrilling experience to be a part of the audience to listen to Rear Admiral Kulkarni while he was sharing his personal experiences. It really helped in increasing the audience's respect for our Service's men multi folds.

All in all, it was a wonderful evening arranged by Pune Chapter jointly with the Western Region. Also, it is with great joy that we report to have received an excellent response.

IFEX 2026 theme video "Mumbai Meri Jaan" was played after the program which was very much appreciated by all present.

The celebration ended with a Gala dinner.

Photos:



## B. CHAPTER FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION

“Chapter Foundation Day” was celebrated on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at The President Hotel, amongst over 80 members.

The chapter chairman, Mr. R. D. Dhumal welcomed the audience. He also welcomed the chief guest the veteran foundryman Mr. Hari Godbole from Solapur.

Mr. Shirish Pingale, Hon. Secretary made a presentation about IIF activities over during the year and requested the members to bring in more foundrymen in our chapter.

“Late Mr. Shyam Karkhanis’s Memorial Award” for Best Foundry Worker was given to Mr. Vishal Pachpute, from M/s. Taural India Pvt. Ltd. Pune at the hands of Chief Guest Mr. Hari Godbole.

Mr. Hari Godbole who graduated in 1985 from the COEP as metallurgist had his whole career as an innovative foundryman with Shivaji Works, Solapur. He narrated various achievement made in converting ideas into the practice. His solutions to the problems are recognized by various foundries in India and Abroad. His career as a foundryman was highly inspiring for our members. He was felicitated at the hands of WR Chairman Mr. Saibal Sen.

Members enjoyed “Surilee Sham, Purane Sadabahr Gane” a stage show of songs that was volunteered by Mr. Jaysing Vasant Patil.

The event was concluded with a Cake cutting.

The celebration concluded with the vote of thanks from chapter Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Uttam Sinha

### Photos:





In the photograph: from left colleagues of awardee, Mr. Sham H. Arjunwadkar (Chairman Award committee), Spouse of awardee, awardee Mr. Vishal Pachpute, Mr. R. D. Dhumal (Chairman IIF Pune Chapter), Mr. Hari Godbole (Chief Guest), Mr. Saibal Sen (Chairman Western Region), senior staff members from M/s. Taural India Pvt. Ltd.



## C. OTHER INFORMATION

### 1. Chapter Committees:

Chairmen of various committees of Chapter, along with their committee members:

Sr. No.	Name of Committee 2025-26	Chairman
1	WR & HO Communication & Liaison	Mr. R. D. Dhupal
2	FCON (PUNE) 2025	Vice Chairman Mr. Ajay Yeole
3	Membership Development	Mr. Satish Sohoni
4	Training Programs	Mr. Dhananjay Paranjape
5	Event Management	Mr. Saibal / Mr. Probal Sen
6	Technical Meetings	Mr. Ajay Yeole / Mr. Rajendra Newadkar
7	Office Management	Mr. R. G. Paranjape / Mr. Shirish Pingale
8	Society Interaction	Mr. R. G. Paranjape / Mr. Shirish Pingale
9	Works Visit	Mr. Sanjeev Acharya / Mr. D. W. Bhadkamkar
10	Grad-IIF Examination	Mr. D. W. Bhadkamkar
11	Best Worker Award	Mr. Sham H Arjunwadkar
12	Technical Services	Mr. Dhananjay Paranjape
13	Student Chapter - Pune Area	Prof. Sanjivan Bhoite
14	Student Chapter - Solapur Area	Mr. Maneesh Aradhya

### 2. Council Meetings Held During The Year :

Total of 14 council meetings were held till date and were all effective and were all well attended by the council members. The meetings were effective and well deliberated to achieve the objectives of the Institute, especially to bring in more participation from the Industry.

Details of the council meetings are given below:

Sr. No.	Date of Meeting	Attendance
1	16/06/2025	11
2	10/07/2025	8
3	07/08/2025	11
4	14/09/2025	12
5	07/10/2025	13
6	07/11/2025	13
7	13/12/2025	12
8	07/01/2026	10
9	06/02/2026	12
10	05/03/2026	11
11	08/04/2026	12
12	22/04/2026	12
13	22/04/2026	12
14	06/05/2026	

### 3. Technical Meeting and Technical Seminar

#### a. Technical Meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2025

"IIF Pune Chapter has scheduled a technical meeting at the IIF Pune Chapter's office in Pune.

The seminar's title was "AI & ML (artificial intelligence & machine learning)".

Dr. Manisha Nene is the Director of MAJINE Systems Pvt. Ltd, a DIAT-DRDO incubated firm situated in Pune that specialises in providing customised IT solutions in Data Analytics, AI, and Cybersecurity. She has created AI models to meet the needs of several organisations. She is also the Head of the Computer Science and Engineering Department at the Defence Institute of Advanced Technology (DIAT). Dr. Nene is a well-known and respected figure in her area, having worked in research, industry, and academia for over 20 years.

Exploring how these technologies might improve industry efficiency and creativity is an extremely intriguing topic. Members should look forward to future conversations and collaborations that will drive progress in foundries. IIF and Dr Nene continue to share information and push the limits of what is possible together.

Over 25 participants included industrial IIF members and non-members, as well as academic institution staff.

Members expressed an interest in learning more about the issue and implementing AI in their industry."

#### Photos:





## b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Technical Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2025

The IIF Western Region jointly with Greater Mumbai Chapter & Pune Chapter had organized the technical talk on **“EFFECTIVE USE OF METALLURGICAL CHEMICALS, DIECOATS , MASTER ALLOYS & CERAMIC SLEEVES TO IMPROVE THE BOTTOM LINE OF ALUMINIUM FOUNDRIES”** at the PYC Gymkhana Pune on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September 2025 from 7 pm onwards.

A good number of delegates numbering 70+ had joined the technical talk which was presented by Mr. Sanjeev Tungatkar (B.E MET.) Chairman & MD of M/s Ceraflux India Pvt. Ltd. from Kolhapur.

**M/s Ceraflux India Pvt. Ltd. is the first Indian company to achieve ISO accreditation for designing and manufacturing foundry Chemicals and consumables.** A company which has a 250 Cr to which is serving more than 600 clients through 14 branches in India with Exports to more than 15 countries.

After the formal Introduction and felicitation of the speaker the technical meet started with the speaker first presenting a pie chart to the audience showing the composition of the Earth's crust and an 8% share of Aluminium in it which was an insight to the audience.

The Speaker introduced to the audience the Al-Si Phase diagram to show the effect of temperature vs the % wt. of Silicon and its behaviour vis a vis the temperature. He also showed the reactivity of aluminium to H<sub>2</sub> when exposed to high temperature. With this introduction it was easy for the audience to understand the importance of additions of Various fluxes, grain refiners, modifiers etc to achieve a good quality of aluminium melt. The Speaker also introduced the audience to the mainly two types of fluxes viz Granulated and Powder fluxes and their categories such as:- Melting fluxes, Cleaning & Dressing fluxes, Furnace Wall cleaning fluxes.

The author compared the economics of the use of Granulated fluxes vs the Powdered fluxes which was well understood by the audience. The role of Cleaning & dressing fluxes with a simple confirmatory test on the dross produced: - **Quote** “If the dross buyer is giving you a good price for your dross, then your dressing flux is not effectively separating aluminium from the dross!!” **Unquote.**

The Author also elaborated on the use of Grain Refiners and the various shapes in which they are supplied by them. They are one of the largest suppliers of coiled rod grain refiners to various continuous casters of aluminium in India and to the gulf countries where they have beaten the local competitors and are now the largest suppliers of grain refiners to the Gulf Aluminium Industry. The author also elaborated on the various aspects of Modifiers that they produce. He also explained in details the journey of modifiers from powdered form to tablet form to the current cast waffles which are highly user friendly, non-fume producing and economical to use.

The author also elaborated on the various die coats that they have in their range of products. He also explained the use of insulating Die coats/ Lubricating die coats and the highly insulating die coats which are high priced but in the long run are extremely economical to use as the application quantity goes on reducing after the first coat. The author spoke about their most premium product such as the range of Master alloys his company produces. The Master alloys produced by M/s Ceraflux are widely used by Industries in specific applications and is the most premium product of the company along with its Refractory shapes they are the unique products offered by them. The master alloys are mainly Al- Boron, Al- Zirconium, Al-Magnesium. These are most suitable for precision casting applications where the alloy composition is critical.



The refractory shapes are the USP of M/s Ceraflux India Pvt. Ltd. and has got them various awards and accolades. Their cutting-edge technology of manufacturing of the Various Ceramic shapes/Launders for various applications/ Ceramic Risers/Hot tops are their best sellers and are widely used by the various Primary Smelters in India.

In conclusion the speaker said that the use of all the products that he spoke about is useful in;-

- a) Achieving the desirable Microstructure
- b) Achieving the desired Mechanical Properties
- c) Making the al alloy Castings more popular for Auto Industry due to its high strength to weight ratio as compared to the ferrous castings

The meeting concluded with a Q&A session.

The Chairman Pune Chapter Mr. R. D. Dhumal presented a memento to the Speaker. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Shyamal Aroskar, Hon. Secretary GMC.

The meeting was followed by a dinner.

**Photos:**





**c. 1<sup>st</sup> Technical Seminar on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Dec., 2025 organized by IIF Western Region jointly with Pune Chapter.**

The meet was jointly held under the aegis of the MSME DFO, Mumbai, along with IIF WR /IIF FIC/ IIF PC / PCCOE and their Centre for Innovation Incubation & linkage forum (CIIL) under the able guidance of Mr. Abhay Daptardar Asstt. Director MSME DFO, MUMBAI.

Mr. Manish Bhardwaj, Technical Advisor to chairman DRDO Defence Research and Development Organisation was the Honourable Chief Guest for the event along with Mr Bhushan Mahale GM EATON MOBILITY GROUP was the Hon. Guest of Honour.

It was an Honour for us to have a total of 107 registered delegates and 25 Exhibition stalls at the spacious auditorium of the PCCOE Pune. The CPSE and the Private Sector Buyers were as follows:-

- 1) IOCL
- 2) BPCL
- 3) HPCL
- 4) Mazgaon Dock
- 5) AFK ,PUNE
- 6) EATON corporation
- 7) HEMRL ,PUNE
- 8) L&T PES

The meet started with the MOC Mr. Shirish Pingale who brought the session to order.

The welcome speech was given by the WR chairman Mr. Saibal Sen. This was followed by the inaugural address by Mr. Daptardar who in his speech emphasizes the need for holding regular VDP meets to make the CPSE aware of the potential of the MSME sector to cater to the CPSES need for critical products and stringent quality requirements. He also appreciated the arrangements made at the venue by the joint efforts of PCCOE and the IIF PC and had promised to make it an annual event.

This was followed by an address by the guest of honour Mr. Bhushan Mahale, General Manager who emphasised in his speech the requirements of M/s. Eaton Corp. A private sector giant requiring huge no of castings and allied products. He also stressed on the requirements of Eaton corporation vis a vis several critical castings. In his address he mentioned his company's future ventures into very critical castings such as the 4<sup>th</sup> generation EV Transmission Housing Castings etc. The guest of honour welcomed the delegates and the exhibitors to become vendors of Eaton corp.

Mr. Saibal Sen chairman Western Region invited Hon. Mr. Manish Bhardwaj to the podium to deliver his keynote address as the hon chief guest of the Vendor Development Program.

Mr. Manish Bhardwaj in his brief address to the delegates stressed on the improvement in the foundry shop floor environment from the ESG point of view. He mentioned that Foundries need to make their shop floor conditions, clean and tidy. He also mooted the idea of a technology development fund for the foundries which will be a sort of sinking funds for which IIF to be the flag bearer and the foundries should use this fund for upgrading their technology from manufacturing as well as ESG point of view. After his address, he along with the Western Region chairman / Pune Chapter chairman spent quality time with each and every stall at display.



In all the 25 stalls at the exhibition the main emphasis was on ferrous and nonferrous casting manufacturer displaying their products and technology. In addition to the foundry a number of stalls displayed technology innovations in the field of analytical/ visual inspection fields. A special attraction was the 5 stalls exhibited by the students of PCCOE who displayed their capabilities in the field of drones / surveillance equipment etc. These stalls were appreciated by the visitors and dignitaries alike.

The technical sessions on day 1 and day 2 were engrossing for the delegates as well as exhibitors. The participating CPSE and Private sector Buyer's presentations were very well received by the audience.

The CPSE such as IOCL /HP/BPCL in their presentations gave figures about the business opportunities available with them in term of tonnage as well as the requirements In Rupees. Each CPSE focussed on the potential available for Foundries for business with them. They shared the sector wise business allocation in their presentations. Typical Product wise requirements were also given by the CPSE in their presentation.

Notably, AFK Pune showcased the Grenade shell requirements in Zinc and aluminium and also casting requirements for Mortar Shells. However, each CPSE emphasised on the need for the prospective Vendor to register on the GeM portal as a mandatory requirement.

We had already earmarked a GeM Registration presentation (Spread over 2 days) by Mr Ritesh Singh from GeM, New Delhi on the use of the GeM portal. This was very well appreciated by the audience.

Prof. Dhoke's technical paper was also much appreciated by the audience.

It has to be mentioned here that the excellent arrangements by the PCCOE for exhibition/ seminar and the audio / video facility at the venue were top class. The snacks/ meals provided by the PCCOE caterer were also top class. The volunteers and the support staff of the PCCOE did an excellent job of provide on site support to all the invitees.

The two days program ended with the valedictory function presided by Dr. Shitalkumar Rawandale who addressed the delegates and showed his willingness to host the program every year with the IIF. The IIF felicitated the volunteers as well as the support staff as a token of gesture for their enthusiastic support to make the program a huge success.

All the guest of honours the chief guest and the speakers were felicitated by a memento as a token of appreciation on behalf of MSME DFO, IIF and the PCCOE.

Photos:



Lighting of lamp



WR chairman - Welcome Speech



WR chairman welcome to Chief Guest



PC chairman Presenting a memento to Guest of Honor



Delegates present for VDP



Visit to Exhibitors



Visit to Exhibitors



Delegates present for VDP

## d. 2<sup>nd</sup> Technical Seminar on 29<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2026

The Faculty Development Programme (FDP) on “Recent Trends in Foundry Technology” was successfully organised jointly by Manu Alloys and Castings Pvt. Ltd., Solapur, Brahmdevdada Mane Polytechnic, Solapur and S. E. S. Polytechnic, Solapur, in association with Precision Camshafts Ltd., Linit Exports Pvt. Ltd., Dhanman Precicast Ltd. and The Institute of Indian Foundrymen (IIF), Pune Chapter.

Mr. Karan Shah, Executive Director – Precision Camshafts Ltd., was invited as the Chief Guest and shared key insights on how the foundry sector is transforming through Industry 4.0, automation, digitalization and sustainable manufacturing.

He highlighted the increasing adoption of automation & robotics across processes like core making, mould handling, pouring and finishing operations.

He also emphasized that rising labor and power costs make technological upgradation essential, especially in labor -intensive and power-intensive areas.

Mr. Shah clearly stated that Indian foundries cannot compete globally with 1980s and 1990s technologies, and that becoming technologically advanced is the only sustainable way forward for the future of the Indian foundry industry.

### Photos:



Photograph 3: Inaugural Address by Hon. Karan Shah



Photograph 5: Felicitation of IIF Officials at SES Polytechnic, Solapur.



Photograph 5: Day-2 Expert Sessions



## 4. TRAINING PROGRAM

### 1<sup>st</sup> Training Program

On 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 Western Region Non-Ferrous Activity Center, Pune Chapter and NCTS had jointly conducted training program at Vulkan Technologies Pune. Mr. Rajendra Newadkar sir (Mentor NCTS & Consultant) was the speaker and the topic of the training program was - "Introduction to Aluminium and Melting Practices".

Total 17 participants from Vulkan Technologies were present.

Mr. Ajay Yeole, Vice Chairman Pune Chapter & Mr. Ashutosh Suru from NCTS were also present during this program.

Mr. Laxman Waghmare, General Manager – Foundry, Vulkan Technologies Pvt Ltd. welcomed speaker and participants.

Mr. Newadkar informed participants about IIF & various activities undertaken by IIF.

While delivering training, Mr. Newadkar covered basic aspects of Aluminum and melting practices with audio-visuals & examples in detailed way.

Training was well received & appreciated by all the participants.

On behalf of Western Region & Pune Chapter Mr. Yeole, Vice Chairman and Mr. Ashutosh Suru from NCTS had given vote of thanks to Vulkan Management for organizing this training program, all the participants for attending and Mr. Newadkar for conducting this training program smoothly & well within time limit given to us.

#### Photos:



## 5. IIF WORKSHOP – Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2026

Manu Alloys and Castings Pvt. Ltd. Solapur conducted 1 days' workshop on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2026 for the students of Mechanical Engineering at Brahmdevdada Mane Polytechnic, Belati, Solapur. The workshop entitled "Casting Processes" was organized as an activity under Institute of Indian Foundryman (IIF) Students Chapter.

The workshop aimed to bridge the gap between classroom theory and real-world industrial field. It was specifically designed to align with the MSBTE's K-Scheme curriculum and to achieve the course outcomes. Casting remains a critical process and finds varied applications in automotive, agricultural, and construction sector. Therefore, making the need of training vital for the future technicians.

### Workshop Highlights

The was divided into high-impact sessions over two days:

Day 1: Theoretical Session & Demonstrations

Expert Guidance: Er. Atul Kulkarni

- Pattern Making & Moulding: Students explored different patterns, its materials, various allowances, and the intricate world of moulds, types of sands etc.
- Advanced Casting Methods: Students studied -- Centrifugal casting, Shell moulding, and exploration of India's historical "Indus Valley" casting roots.

Safety & Quality: The experts delivered sessions on identifying the casting defects and foundry safety practices

### Photos:





## 6. Works Visit

### Works Visit held on 15<sup>th</sup> Sept., 2025

Works Visit to Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation, Pune.

#### Event Details

Organization: The Institute of Indian Foundrymen (IIF) - Western Region

Collaborating Chapters: Pune Chapter and Greater Mumbai Chapter

Date: Monday, 15th September 2025

#### Delegation

IIF Western Region Officials:

- Mr. Saibal Sen, Chairman
- Mr. Probal Sen, Joint Honorary Secretary
- Mr. Vinod Khedkar, GMC Treasurer
- Mr. Rajendra Newadkar, NCTS Chairman & Past Chairman, Pune Chapter

Other Participants: Delegates from various cities under Western Region

Host Representative: Mr. Kamlesh, Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation

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#### Objective

The primary objective of this works visit was to observe and learn from Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation's excellence in Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) implementation and their journey towards achieving the TPM Excellence Award.

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#### Program Overview

The visit commenced with a warm welcome extended by Mr. Kamlesh on behalf of Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation to all the officials and delegates. The program was structured to provide both theoretical insights and practical exposure to TPM implementation.

##### Presentation Session

Sigma Electric Manufacturing Corporation presented a comprehensive overview of their TPM Excellence Award journey. The presentation highlighted:

- The organizational commitment to TPM principles
- Implementation strategy across all TPM pillars
- Measurable benefits achieved through TPM adoption
- Challenges faced and solutions implemented
- Best practices and lessons learned

The presentation emphasized the tangible benefits realized across all nine pillars of TPM, demonstrating how systematic implementation has contributed to operational excellence, improved productivity, enhanced quality, and overall equipment effectiveness.

##### Plant Tour

Following the presentation, delegates were taken on an extensive plant tour to witness firsthand the TPM implementation projects in action. This experiential learning opportunity allowed participants to observe the practical application of concepts discussed during the presentation.

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#### Key Observations

During the plant tour, delegates observed several world-class manufacturing practices and Japanese management initiatives:

##### 1. Andon System

- Visual management system for real-time production monitoring
- Immediate problem identification and escalation mechanism
- Enhanced communication across the shop floor

## 2. Kaizen Implementation

- Continuous improvement culture embedded in daily operations
- Employee involvement in problem-solving and process optimization
- Documented improvement projects and their impact

## 3. Poka-Yoke (Error Proofing)

- Mistake-proofing devices and mechanisms
- Prevention of defects at source
- Reduction in rework and quality issues

## 4. Industry 4.0 Integration

- Digital transformation initiatives
- IoT-enabled equipment monitoring
- Data-driven decision making
- Smart manufacturing solutions

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### Delegate Feedback

All delegates expressed overwhelming appreciation for the visit. The exposure to Japanese manufacturing philosophies and practices, combined with advanced Industry 4.0 technologies, provided valuable insights into achieving manufacturing excellence. Participants particularly appreciated:

- The systematic approach to TPM implementation
- The visible results of continuous improvement efforts
- The integration of traditional lean manufacturing with modern digital technologies
- The organizational culture of quality and excellence

### Photos:





## Students Works Visit held on Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2026

On Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2026 Jointly with Pune Chapter & Western Region organised Students Works Visit to Vulkan Technologies Pvt. Ltd., Pirangut, Pune.

The objective of the industrial visit was to provide students with practical exposure to foundry practices and to help them understand the complete casting workflow in aluminium and steel foundries, introduce them to modern automation and smart manufacturing practices in casting, and create awareness about sustainability and eco-friendly foundry processes thereby strengthening the connection between theoretical concepts taught in the Forming and Welding course and real industrial applications.

The visit offered comprehensive exposure to both ferrous and non-ferrous specifically aluminium and steel foundry operations. Students observed the entire casting cycle, beginning with raw material inspection and testing, followed by mould preparation, core application, controlled pouring, solidification, fettling, final machining and quality inspection. The industry personnel explained process control measures, quality checks, and safety practices followed during foundry operations.

After the visit, students were able to:

- Understand aluminium and steel casting processes in an industrial environment
- Relate sand testing and process control techniques to casting quality
- Recognize the role of automation and smart manufacturing in foundry operations
- Appreciate the importance of sustainability and eco-friendly practices in manufacturing
- Connect theoretical knowledge from the Forming and Welding course with real-world applications

The industrial visit was highly informative and successfully met its academic objectives. In addition to core casting concepts, the visit exposed students to automation, smart manufacturing, and sustainable practices in foundry operations. This holistic exposure helped students develop a broader understanding of modern manufacturing systems and industry expectations.

It helped to bridge the gap between classroom theory and real-world manufacturing practices, enhancing students' technical knowledge and industrial awareness.

### Photos:



# Students Works Visit on 31<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2026



Photograph 6: Glimpses of Industrial Visits



Photograph 7: Certificate Distribution & Group Photo



## **A Joint Work Visit Organised by IIF- Pune Chapter along with Western Region at Paranjape Autocast Pvt. Ltd., Satara on 21st February 2026**

Industry visit organized by IIF- Pune Chapter along with Western Region at Paranjape Autocast Pvt. Ltd., Satara Works facility on 21st February 2026, we are pleased to share the highlights. Around 15 members from both Pune and Kolhapur chapters actively participated in this knowledge-sharing visit.

Mr. Rishi Raj (Vice President–manufacturing) delivered the welcome address, followed by a comprehensive presentation on company history, ongoing activities, product portfolio, customer base, and the different plant locations of M/s PAPL.

The team visited the plant with full safety compliance, while foundry personnel explained the production process and its controls, inspection and Quality assurance, Kaizen gallery, SQDCM monitoring etc. Delegates engaged in interactive discussions and queries raised by the team during the visit were clarified by M/s PAPL team.

Key takeaways and suggestions were shared with the PAPL team, reinforcing the spirit of continuous improvement and collaboration.

During the discussions, emphasis was placed on the IIF Pune Chapter's role in academic-industry linkage, aimed at bridging institutions and industries for better understanding of foundry operations and requested M/s PAPL to extend support for the students' chapter through internships, factory visits, and innovation-driven initiatives.

Finally, Mr. Dhumal (Chairman–IIF Pune Chapter) offered the vote of thanks, appreciated the support of M/s PAPL management, meticulous planning and visit execution activity by Mr. Rishi Raj sir and his team, which made the visit fruitful and very successful.

Mr. Pingle (Secretary–IIF Pune Chapter) also expressed gratitude to the delegates for their enthusiastic participation.

We once again extend our heartfelt gratitude to M/s PAPL for accepting our request and making this important industry and IIF Pune / WR collaboration event possible.

### **Photos:**



- **Students Works Visit - Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2026**  
**Manu Alloys and Castings Pvt. Ltd., Solapur**

Industrial Visit

Expert Guidance:

1. Er. Maneesh Aradhya
2. Er. Neil Aradhya
3. Er. Atul Kulkarni

The second day featured an Industrial Visit to Manu Alloys and Castings Pvt. Ltd., Chincholi MIDC, Solapur. This visit facilitated students to visualize large-scale foundry operations and professional industrial practices.

**Photos:**





## 7. Webinar

On 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 Pune Chapter jointly with Western Region organized a special Webinar lecture on “BIS Regulations on Ferrous on Foundries” by Mr. Vinod Sale.

Chairman R. D. Dhumal welcomed the speaker and members. Hon. Secretary Mr. Shirish Pingale introduced speaker Mr. Vinod Sale to members.

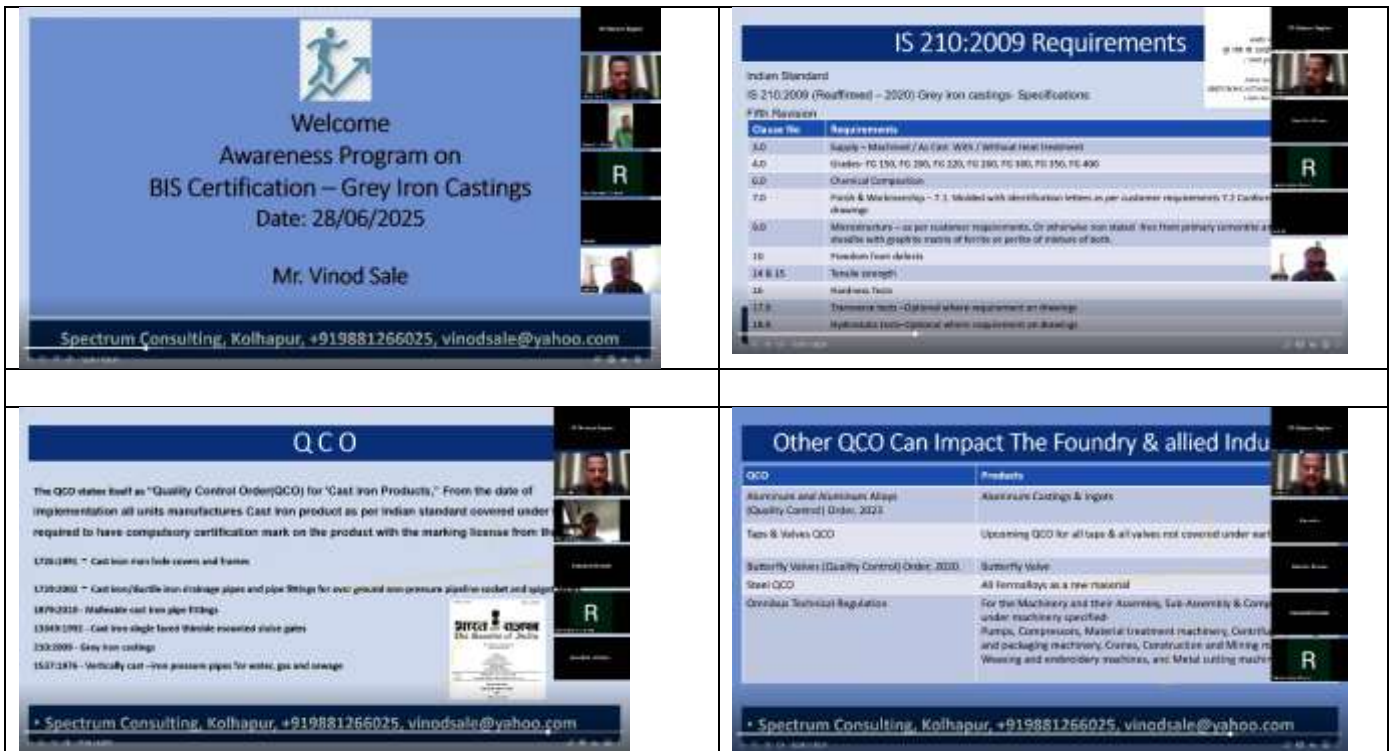
Speaker Mr. Vinod Sale spoke about the recent regulation regarding BIS certification mandated for foundry industry and its implications for non compliance.

The topic covered present and upcoming QCOs, requirements wrt standards, BIS act provisions, other implications.

About 18 members and their colleagues participated in this webinar. The presentation was followed by active Q&A session.

The Webinar ended with Hon. Secretary, Mr. Shirish Pingale giving vote of thanks to everyone.

### Photos:





On Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> Jan., 2026 Jointly with IIF GMC, Pune Chapter and Kolhapur Chapter organized by webinar on “Future ready Foundries - Integrating Renewable Energy into Indian Metal industry”

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## 8. Inauguration of Student Chapter

### 1. Brahmdevdada Mane Polytechnic, Solapur

On Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2025, As per the directions of National Council Members, Pune Chapter has initiated a drive for setting Students Chapter in technical institutes. Last year one at Govt College of Engineering Pune where Pune Chapter was formed on 13<sup>th</sup> December 1969 was launched. The student's chapter was inaugurated and the other followed at Pimpri Chinchwad College of Engineering (PCCoE).

With the Initiative of our council member Mr. Manish Aradhya and erstwhile council member Principal Dr. S. B. Joshi students chapter was formed and inaugurated on 28th November 2025 at "Brahmdevdada Mane Polytechnic, Belati, Solapur. Apart from the teachers and management, students over 120 + 30 participated in the program.

Pune Chapter council members specially went to Solapur and addressed the students about various activities of IIF and the benefits they can derive through the students chapter.

The IIF delegates were welcomed by Principal Dr. Joshi and organisation secretary Mrs. Jayshree Mane.

After listening to speakers, students at large were found motivated to become members of IIF and expressed their expectations from the chapter.

The student members Mr. Sanskar Shivpuje and Mr. Vishal Pawar were appointed as Chairman and Secretary.

Prof. Anup Lamkane and Prof. S. S. Soma were assigned the duties to co-ordinate with students and chapter. While thanking everyone Prof. Ranadive extended all the help on behalf of faculty.

#### Photos:







## **2. S.E.S. Polytechnic, Solapur**

The Installation Ceremony and Formation of the Institute of Indian Foundrymen (IIF) Students' Chapter was successfully organized at S.E.S. Polytechnic, Solapur on 30th January 2026 with the objective of promoting technical awareness, professional ethics, and industry interaction among students in the field of foundry technology.

### **Inaugural Session**

The programme commenced with a formal inaugural ceremony, marked by the lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries, symbolizing the beginning of a new academic and professional initiative for students.

The function was graced by the presence of eminent personalities from industry and academia, including:

Chief Guest Mr. H. E. Godbole, Managing Director, Dhanman Precicast Pvt. Ltd., Solapur, Mr. Ramchandra Dhumal, Chairman, Institute of Indian Foundrymen (IIF), Pune Chapter, Mr. Prashant Degaokar, Director, Mr. Atul Bhawtamkar, Principal and Mr. Mahesh Patil Vice Principal of S.E.S. Polytechnic, Solapur

Mr. Ajay Yeole, Mr. Rajendra Newadkar, Mr. Satish Sohoni, Mr. Maneesh Aradhye council members of IIF Pune, Faculty coordinators Mr. Vinil Kongari and Mr. Vinayak Sadafule, faculty members Mr. Gangadhar Hulsure, Mr. Nagesh Yemul and Mr. Sagar Shinde were also present for this installation ceremony, strengthening continuity and institutional support.

### **Guidance to Students**

During the programme, the distinguished guests addressed and guided the students, highlighting:

The importance of professional bodies like IIF in career development.

Emerging opportunities in the foundry and manufacturing sector.

The role of technical knowledge, skill development, and industry exposure in building successful careers.

A total of 30 student members were formally enrolled under the newly formed IIF Students' Chapter, marking a significant milestone for the institute.

The programme was effectively anchored by Mr. Vikramsingh Bayas, ensuring smooth coordination of the event. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Mr. Ajay Patil, Head of Mechanical Engineering Department, who expressed gratitude to the dignitaries, organizers, faculty members, and students for their support and participation.

The formation of the IIF Students' Chapter at S.E.S. Polytechnic, Solapur will serve as a platform for students to:

- Gain exposure to industry-oriented activities
- Participate in technical workshops, seminars, and industrial visits
- Enhance professional networking and employability skills

The Installation Ceremony and Formation of the IIF Students' Chapter concluded successfully, laying a strong foundation for continuous technical and professional development of students. The initiative reflects the institute's commitment to strengthening industry-academia collaboration and nurturing future professionals in foundry technology.

**Photos:**



Lighting of lamp



welcome to Chief Guest



Present students



Welcome Speech



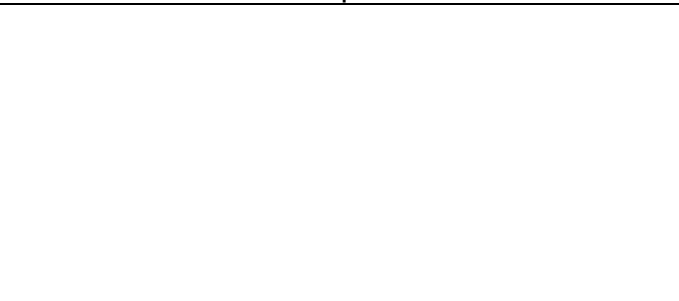
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### 3. COEP, Pune

The COEP–IIF Student Chapter was officially inaugurated on Tuesday, 15th April 2026, at 4:00 PM in the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Engineering, COEP Technological University, Pune. The event marked an important milestone in strengthening the connection between academia and the foundry industry by creating a dedicated platform for student engagement, technical development, and professional networking.

Many distinguished dignitaries from the Institute of Indian Foundrymen (IIF), Pune Chapter and Western Region, along with faculty members and students of the department, graced the occasion with their presence. The dignitaries included Mr. R. D. Dhumal, Chairman – IIF Pune Chapter; Mr. Shirish Pingale, Hon. Secretary – IIF Pune Chapter; Mr. Anant Bam, Past Chairman – IIF Western Region; Prof. Ambegaonkar Sir, Council member of IIF Pune Chapter and Dr. Manisha Kulthe, Head of the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Engineering, COEP Technological University, Pune.

The program commenced with the formal welcome of dignitaries, followed by the traditional lamp lighting ceremony and Saraswati Vandana, symbolizing knowledge, wisdom, and a prosperous beginning. The dignitaries were felicitated with bouquets and mementos in recognition of their valuable contributions to the foundry industry and technical education.

Mr. Shirish Pingale, Hon. Secretary, IIF Pune Chapter, delivered an insightful address introducing the Institute of Indian Foundrymen (IIF) and emphasizing its role in bridging the gap between academia and industry through technical activities such as industrial visits, internships, workshops, expert lectures, and professional networking opportunities for students.

A major highlight of the event was the formal inauguration of the COEP–IIF Student Chapter and the appointment of the new office bearers. The newly appointed team included Ms. Priyanka Pani as Chairman, Mr. Kedar Todewala as Vice Chairman, Ms. Priti Naikwadi as Secretary, Mr. Aditya Dhopavakar as Joint Secretary, and Mr. Gajanan Digole as Treasurer. The office bearers were formally introduced and presented with badges and the ceremonial baton, marking the beginning of their leadership responsibilities.

Ms. Priyanka Pani, Chairman of the COEP–IIF Student Chapter, addressed the gathering and shared the vision and future plans of the chapter, focusing on student engagement, industrial exposure, technical workshops, seminars, and leadership development initiatives.

Dr. Manisha Kulthe, Head of the Department, emphasized the importance of technical leadership and motivated students to make the best use of this platform. She also requested the IIF members for their continued support in facilitating industrial visits, internship opportunities, and placement assistance for students. Mr. Anant Bam shared his thoughts on the significant changes in the foundry industry over the past few years and highlighted the importance of stronger collaboration between industry and academia. Mr. R. D. Dhumal further inspired students by sharing valuable insights on the future of the foundry industry and the importance of meaningful partnerships between academia and industry. He also assured students that the IIF Pune Chapter would continue to work actively for their benefit and would focus on improving industry interactions and career opportunities for students.

The event concluded with a formal Vote of Thanks delivered by the Student Chapter Secretary, followed by a group photograph and a High Tea & Networking session, where students had the opportunity to interact informally with the dignitaries and industry professionals.



The inauguration of the IIF Student Chapter was highly successful and marked the beginning of a promising journey toward stronger industry interaction, student development, and professional excellence in the field of Metallurgy and Foundry Engineering.

**Photos:**



## 9. Others:

- **Annual Regional Meeting 2024-2025 hosted by IIF Pune Chapter on Wednesday and Thursday - 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at The Lagoon Resort, Lonavala.**
- IIF Pune Chapter got a Memento in recognition for the remarkable performance of achieving 100% in Membership Strength during 2024-25 during IFEX 2026 at Mumbai on 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2026.



## 10. Reference Library:

Library facility is available to all members between 3 PM and 6 PM on all working days. With additional library cupboard, the books and periodicals are arranged nicely. The students and member Foundrymen are also taking advantage of the chapter library. This year it has been discussed and agreed to improve the documentation storage system for library so that references and locating the books is simplified further.

## 11. Membership Position:

The following are the Membership details of our Chapter as on 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2026

	March 2025	March 2026
Life Members	16	15
Associated Members	3	15
Company Members	60	69
Members	69	72
Fellow Member	2	2
Student Member	93	92
<b>Total</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>265</b>

Throughout the year, conscious efforts were made to increase membership. Membership Committee identified Foundries / Companies & Members for new Membership.

## 12. Members Achievements :

### A.

MIT Technology Business Incubator was awarded best TBI at the hands of Shri Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister of Road Transport at a function held on 23 April. The function was organized by Navbharat Times and Start-Up.

The function was held on 23rd June at Ritz Carlton Hotel Pune. MITTBI's three best startups were appreciated.

One of them was mentored from the day one, by Vishwas Kale (Managing Director, Vijayesh Instruments) Disposable Sanitary Pads (Cresa Green Teach) by Sarika Pathak. And possibly it is one of the most successful start-ups of MITTB. The photo shows the mentor and Sarika. He is also advisor to MITTBI Center from inception and has more than 45 start-ups working.



- B.** Vulkan has made history by winning the VDMA Award for the first time in the CSR and Work Condition & Work Safety categories! 🏆 🇮🇳 Congratulations to the entire team on this remarkable achievement!



- C.** Teknoseal India receives the Business Excellence Award 2026 at Vigyan Bhavan, New Delhi.

This milestone reflects our commitment to engineering excellence, global standards, and solving complex porosity challenges across industries.

A proud moment. A bigger responsibility.





### 13. IFJ Liaison:

Pune Chapter was given very good visibility in IFJ volumes during the year by publishing brief information on proceedings of Pune chapter along with photographs.

### 14. Khande Navami Pooja on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> Oct., 2025

Chapter like every year performed the Khande Navami Pooja at our office. Majority of council members and our well-wishers were present on the occasion.





## **In conclusion,**

The Pune Chapter is well known for its disciplined work and good performance for several years. We, the office bearers of Pune Chapter with the support and guidance of council members have tried our best to keep the same track even this year. As you can see from the activity report, we have conducted several programs and all have been very well oriented to give maximum benefit to all our members. These programs include Technical Meetings, Training programs apart from the regular Council Meetings.

We sincerely hope that we have been able to fulfill the expectations of our members and foundry industry as a whole.

On behalf of the Pune Chapter Council, I would like to mention that this would have not been possible without support and encouragement from fellow foundrymen, members, sponsors and service providers. Warm whole hearted support from past Council members is also valuable in the working of our Chapter.

Our staffs at the office, Mrs. Meena Sawant, Mrs. Komal Shinde have been a great support in the office with their sincerity and dedication throughout the year and the council appreciates the good work done and thanks them wholeheartedly.

**Shirish Pingale**  
**Hon Secretary – IIF Pune Chapter**

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MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT OF PUNE CHAPTER

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Statement of Receipts & Payments

THE INSTITUTE OF INDIAN FOUNDRYMEN	Apr. 2025	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Cumm. Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>Receipts</b>													
Opening Balance – Cash in hand	299.00	3053.00	4797.00	2872.00	1423.00	4403.00	7927.00	4179.00	4611.00	4597.00	4077.00	8894.00	299.00
Opening Balance - ICICI	2439.60	4019.60	11979.60	8400.60	5370.60	17106.60	3211.60	18431.60	31331.60	3913.60	16363.60	5793.60	2439.60
Contribution recd from H.O.	15000.00	25000.00	0.00	0.00	35000.00	0.00	15000.00	26000.00	15000.00	15000.00	0.00	15000.00	161000.00
Contribution recd from HO for P. M. C. Tax	0.00	0.00	82845.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	82845.00
Cash Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Output CGST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Output SGST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Output IGST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank Interest	0.00	0.00	81.00	0.00	0.00	65.00	0.00	0.00	91.00	0.00	0.00	61.00	298.00
Other receipts ( Annexure -I )	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00	0.00	3000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>17738.60</b>	<b>32072.60</b>	<b>99702.60</b>	<b>11272.60</b>	<b>44793.60</b>	<b>21574.60</b>	<b>29138.60</b>	<b>48610.60</b>	<b>51033.60</b>	<b>23510.60</b>	<b>20440.60</b>	<b>29748.60</b>	<b>252881.60</b>
<b>Payments</b>													
Printing	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
Council Meeting Expenses	520.00	0.00	495.00	230.00	700.00	120.00	520.00	574.00	380.00	350.00	838.00	971.00	5698.00
Postage & Courier	142.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	142.00
Activity Expenses (Annexure - II )	6184.00	9407.00	458.00	900.00	18120.00	7356.00	1471.00	6130.00	36329.00	170.00	2026.00	2176.00	90727.00
Input CGST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	792.00	0.00	0.00	218.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1010.44
Input SGST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	792.00	0.00	0.00	218.44	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1010.44
Input IGST	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Cash Deposit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other Payments (Annexure - III)	3520.00	5109.00	86855.00	3349.00	2880.00	2960.00	3449.00	5527.12	3114.00	2550.00	2889.00	2800.00	125002.12
Office Maintenance (Annexure - IV )	0.00	780.00	622.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1088.00	0.00	2700.00	0.00	0.00	3750.00	8940.00
Closing Balance - Cash in hand	3053.00	4797.00	2872.00	1423.00	4403.00	7927.00	4179.00	4611.00	4597.00	4077.00	8894.00	1997.00	1997.00
Closing Balance - ICICI	4019.60	11979.60	8400.60	5370.60	17106.60	3211.60	18431.60	31331.60	3913.60	16363.60	5793.60	18054.60	18054.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>17738.60</b>	<b>32072.60</b>	<b>99702.60</b>	<b>11272.60</b>	<b>44793.60</b>	<b>21574.60</b>	<b>29138.60</b>	<b>48610.60</b>	<b>51033.60</b>	<b>23510.60</b>	<b>20440.60</b>	<b>29748.60</b>	<b>252881.60</b>



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PARTICULARS	Apr. 2025	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	Mar-26	Cumm. Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>Other Receipts Annx. 1</b>													
Receivable from IIF NCTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Advance received	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
WR Leader Meet	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Moduler Exam	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Best Foundry Worker Award	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
ICICI Bank link A/c	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
NFD Celebration	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00
Interest of ICICI Bank link A/c	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Library	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wrongly deposited in IIF Pune Chapter	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Technical Meeting	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3000.00
<b>Other Receipts Total Annx. 1</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3000.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6000.00</b>
<b>Activity Expenses Annx. II</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>	<b>Rs.</b>
NFD Celebration Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17920.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	17920.00
Chapter Foundation Day	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8869.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8869.00
Eklavya Project	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Best Foundry Worker Award	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9999.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9999.00
Training Course	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2176.00	2176.00
Annual Chapter Meeting	0.00	9407.00	458.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9865.00
Technical Meeting	4260.00	0.00	0.00	900.00	200.00	6926.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	12286.00
Student Chapter Program	650.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5950.00
Job Fair Program	1274.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1274.00
Vendor Development Program	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1471.00	830.00	17461.00	170.00	0.00	0.00	19932.00
Works Visit	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	430.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2026.00	0.00	2456.00
WESCON	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mem, Devp. & Interaction with Industries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Annual Regional meeting (ARM)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Activity Expenses Total Annx. II</b>	<b>6184.00</b>	<b>9407.00</b>	<b>458.00</b>	<b>900.00</b>	<b>18120.00</b>	<b>7356.00</b>	<b>1471.00</b>	<b>6130.00</b>	<b>36329.00</b>	<b>170.00</b>	<b>2026.00</b>	<b>2176.00</b>	<b>90727.00</b>

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	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>Other Payments Annx. III</b>													
Electricity payable	3420.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3420.00
Electricity Charges	0.00	4790.00	3660.00	3030.00	2880.00	2960.00	2780.00	3100.00	2510.00	2550.00	2800.00	2800.00	33630.00
Security Deposit Electricity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Mobile Expenses	0.00	319.00	0.00	319.00	0.00	0.00	319.00	2427.12	319.00	0.00	319.00	0.00	4022.12
Misc. Expenses*	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00
PMC (Corporation Tax)	0.00	0.00	82845.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	82845.00
Advance paid	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Main. Computer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Main. Printer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00
Stationery Charges	100.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	485.00
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fixed Assets	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Wrongly deposited in IIF Pune Chapter transfer to HO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Other Payments Total Annx. III</b>	<b>3520.00</b>	<b>5109.00</b>	<b>86855.00</b>	<b>3349.00</b>	<b>2880.00</b>	<b>2960.00</b>	<b>3449.00</b>	<b>5527.12</b>	<b>3114.00</b>	<b>2550.00</b>	<b>2889.00</b>	<b>2800.00</b>	<b>125002.12</b>

	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<b>Office Maintenance Annx. IV</b>													
Refreshment	0.00	780.00	622.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	150.00	1552.00
Maint. Charges for Off. Equipment's	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Office Maint.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misc. Sundry	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1088.00	0.00	2700.00	0.00	0.00	3600.00	7388.00
<b>Office Maintenance Total Annx. IV</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>780.00</b>	<b>622.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1088.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2700.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3750.00</b>	<b>8940.00</b>

