A Report on ICQCC- 2014-Sri Lanka

The **38**th International Convention of Quality Control Circles (ICQCC) **2014** was organized by *Sri Lanka Association for Advancement of Quality and Productivity (SLAAQP)* during 12-15 Oct 2014 at Colombo, Sri Lanka.

QCC – Quality Control Circle originated in Japan in the 1960s as a management concept in which 5S is considered as the basic concept among all and moved through the world in public and private sectors including educational areas to get good results with the QC techniques for all levels of employees.

ICQCC-2014 opening ceremony was held at BMICH- Bandaranayaka Memorial International Conference Hall, Colombo .The honourable **Prime Minister- Mr. D M JAYARATNE, Sri Lanka** inaugurated the event.



1. Inauguration by Prime Minister Sri Lanka

2. View of Inauguration function

Very informative guest presentations were delivered by Mr. Shigeru Tsujita TQM Consultant, JAPAN; Mr. Sunil Wijesinha, IPP of SLAAQP and Mr. D K Shrivastava, ED, QCFI, India during the inaugural session.

Large number of case studies and papers were presented and shared throughout the days of the event by various QC teams from different industries of different countries.

There were delegates from 14 countries including China, Japan, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Philipines, Singapore, Tiwan, Korea, Thiland, Bangladesh, Tanzania, Malaysia, & Baharain.

Many leading Indian companies like Tata Motors, Ceat, JK tyres, Tata Steel, Reliance, Hero, TVS, Vedanta, Jindal Power and Steel, Honeywell Turbo, Ford, Toyota Japan, Bajaj Auto etc. participated in the event.

Total 230 teams participated with 1076 delegates.

A technical paper of SRICT titled as "JOURNEY OF 5S AT TECHNICAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE SRICT" presented by Dr. Purvi J Naik (5S coordinator SRICT) on 14-10-14. The presentation was very well received and appreciated. The 5S practices of SRICT were also appreciated by all the participants and the team of judges as SRICT is the first and only Engineering College in INDIA with 5S certification where the real practice of 5S is going on with the active participation of the technical students. We received very good complements from the audiences as SRICT is inculcating the important quality aspect like 5S among the students which is really a need of the industries and society as well.

SRICT has been recognized by **SILVER AWARD** for this presentation.



4. Silver Award to SRICT

The participant industries are delighted to know that the quality circle subjects like 5S has been incorporated in engineering academics in SRICT..

On the last day, the official banquet was held at Sri Lanka Exhibition and Convention Centre with all participatory country performances for a wonderful memory of this international event.

The ICQCC flag was handed over to the host organization of ICQCC 2015, Korean Standard Association (KSA) which will be held in Korea next year.



5. Flag handed over to KOREA (ICQCC 2015) 6. With Korean Representatives

Major outcome of conference:

- (1) SRICT has been recognized at International level that will boost our practices of 5S.
- (2) SRICT practices have been very well appreciated by all participants in conference and that is something unique for our institute as most of the participants are from industries/companies.
- (3) While discussion with some of the directors and CEOs of companies; it is clear that quality concepts like 5S are the need of the hour. If the students are aware with quality and quality subjects, it will be very helpful for the industries. Considering this some of the industries are really interested to employ SRICT students as they will get pro 5S technocrats from SRICT.
- (4) It has been wonderful experience to learn the different quality circle practices that are being practiced across the world.
- (5) Very good Opportunity to understand the Socio-culture value of different countries.

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