



Anglo-Eastern Seminar Proves To Be A Grand Success

Anglo- Eastern Ship Management, a leading, independent provider of ship management services to ship owners around the world, conducted its annual seminar, in Mumbai on February 21-22, 2017. The theme for the seminar was "Focus on Critical Tasks"

Mr. Marcel Liedts – Chief Operating Officer, Anglo-Eastern, welcomed the large gathering of distinguished guests.

Capt. Bjorn Hojgaard – Chief Executive Officer, Anglo Eastern, delivered the opening address.

Held with much pomp and splendor, in the Ballroom of the Grand Hyatt Hotel, the seminar was inaugurated by the Chief Guest, Dr Malini V. Shankar, Director General of Shipping, Ministry of Shipping, Govt. of India.

The Keynote Address was delivered by Capt. Ashok Mahapatra, Director, Maritime Safety Division, International

Maritime Organization, UK. Mr. Eivind Holte, Senior Technical Manager, Saga Shipholding (Norway) AS, gave the Client Presentation.

Capt. Pradeep Chawla, Managing Director, Group QHSE & Training, AESM – HK



enlightened the gathering about AESM Quality Assurance, Training and Performance review for year 2016.

The post tea session was addressed by several distinguished speakers. They spoke on various aspects.

The speakers were: Capt. Jennifer Williams, Chief, Office of Commercial Vessel Compliance, USCG (Commercial Vessel Compliance

in the United States), – Mr. Mick Kinley, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA Port State Control findings and its co-relation to lack of adequate focus on critical tasks), James Card, USCG (ret), former Vice Commandant of the U.S. Coast Guard (Marine Safety Culture “Critical” in the 21st Century).

The post lunch session was addressed by: Capt. Patrick Joseph, Global Vetting and Clearance Manager, BP

Shipping. (BP Shipping’s view on ANGLO-EASTERN UNIVAN tanker fleet), Mr. Torgeir Sterri, Senior vice president and Regional Manager, DNV-GL, Greater China (Future of Shipping), and Mr. Prasad Panicker, Head of Maritime Security & Safety Management Operations, Maritime & Coastguard Agency, U.K. (Factors affecting focus on critical tasks).



The final session was addressed by Mr. S K Bhimani, Environmental Compliance Director, QHSE, Anglo Eastern (Ballast Water Management). Mr. K. N. Menon, Director, Group HR Seastaff, Anglo Eastern reviewed the Manning scenario at Anglo Eastern.

Mr. David Osler, Finance Editor, Lloyds List gave the Final Remarks for the day.

The seminar was followed by Cocktails and Dinner, later in the evening.

Ship-owners awed by the progress made during their visit to AEMTC and AEMA

On 23rd February, about 100 dignitaries, who had come to attend the Anglo Eastern Seminar, paid a visit to Anglo

Eastern Maritime Academy at Karjat. They were not only left breathless by the picturesque locale of the training centre, but



were also awed by the facilities available at the centre. Many owners' representatives of ships managed by the Anglo Eastern Univan Group, various shipping luminaries and senior managers of the Group also visited the Anglo-Eastern Maritime Training Centre, Mumbai which conducts the post-sea and upgrading training courses.

Capt. K. N. Deboo Director & Principal, AEMTC, in his introductory address, to the guests, stated "AEMTC is always in the forefront to meet the challenges in training sea staff to meet the current training needs as identified by



the auditors, Technical Supdts, commercial dept, operations and also identified through PSC and SIRE inspection findings". AEMTC was the first company in India, and the fifth in the world, to be certified under the DNV Quality Assurance rules for maritime training centres. It was also the second training institution in the world to carry out a benchmarking audit and passed out with distinction.





The honoured guests, visiting the Institute, were all praise for the advances the institute had made, as compared to the last time they had visited the institute. They were highly impressed by the way AEMA has grown by leaps and bounds, during the period. According to Capt Deboo, new training equipment has been added each year based on

the feedback received and need felt on training the cadets and officers for specific ship types.

The guests interacted with the cadets, who would be the future Officers who will man their ships. The Academy, on its part, left no stone unturned to prepare and welcome the esteemed guests.

The guests, who visited the site in batches, were welcomed by a Guard of honour by the AEMA cadets, while the band played in the background. They then proceeded to the AEMA boat jetty area for refreshments. The guests, split into four groups, were given guided tour of the Institute by senior faculty members. They were shown the various projects and models





made by the skill and ingenuity of the cadets trained at AEMA. The guests took a round of the AEMAWheel-House and the Bridge simulator.

The Virtual Reality Learning System was the highlight of the day, a first of its kind. This was inaugurated by senior officials from Australian Maritime Safety Authority and United States Coast Guard. Apart from the Virtual Reality Learning System, there was other modern equipment which was



inaugurated by the dignitaries cutting the ribbon. These included the Gantry Crane Control system, the EPCON controller, the Life Boat Engine, the TPL B

Turbocharger, the HATLAPA main air compressor, the LPG Cargo Tank Relief Valve, the Instrumentation Field device Trainers, and the electronic Iron Test Kit for Cylinder Oil analysis.

Mr. Eivind Holte and Mr Nils Otto inaugurated the real working model of the Future class gantry crane control

system with a moving gantry with all the instrumentation. It is the need of the hour for training the Management level Engineers and ETOs on various important skills of modern gantry cranes to avoid off-hire, which is very expensive for the ship owner.

Mr. Dabiru Venkataraman inaugurated the training rig for setting the LPG cargo tank relief valve pressure. LPG Cargo Tank relief valve of the popular make Anderson Greenwood, was procured for training the Officers on the correct procedure to set the opening

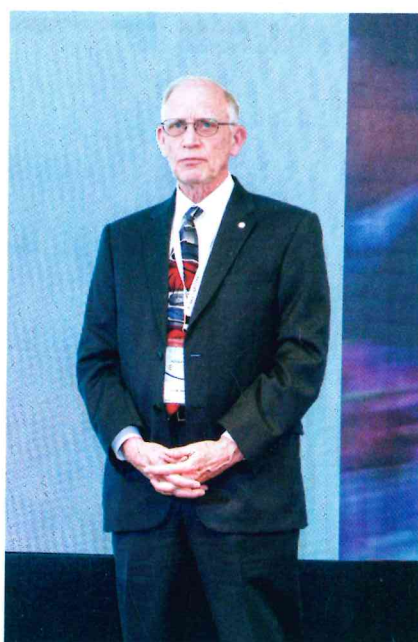




pressure and maintenance associated with the relief valve.

Further, Capt Patrick Joseph inaugurated an operational scaled down model of an oil tanker complete with its pumproom and control systems. Mr Martin Kraft inaugurated a 5t crane model.

The guests were thrilled by the fact that besides technical skills, Anglo-Eastern's training also focused on the Human Element and Soft skills as they contributed in ensuring safe, efficient and economical overall



running of a ship, keeping the safety of people, environment, property and business uppermost in mind.

After having been shown around the well-equipped facility, the guests gathered at the auditorium for an informal open forum. The CEO of the Group, Mr. Bjorn Hojgaard appreciated efforts of the faculty members and had a special word of advice for the cadets regarding their conduct at sea.

Capt. Pradeep Chawla, Managing Director, Group OHSE and Training of the AEU group, in a slide show showcased the changes which the Academy underwent since its inception in 2009. This was followed by a specially laid out sumptuous and lavish lunch for the guests. A few lucky cadets even had the opportunity to dine with the owners!



The guests returned ecstatic with joy at the progress of the institute and the teaching imparted at this citadel of education. [MLTL](#)