



ANGLO-EASTERN MARITIME TRAINING CENTRE



Anglo Eastern Maritime Training Centre

launches Second Mate's Course in Mumbai

17th June' 2013 marked the achievement of a big milestone for Anglo Eastern Maritime Training Centre (AEMTC) at Andheri, Mumbai. Anglo-Eastern is the first ship management company in India to commence Post sea competency course. The inauguration of the Second Mates Function Course was carried out at its Mumbai premises by the Director General of Shipping,

Mr. Gautam Chatterjee.

Anglo Eastern Ship Management has been successfully running the Second Mates Function Course at their Delhi Training centre since the last two years and has recorded an enviable pass percentage of 95% and now it's the turn of the Mumbai centre to continue providing high quality training and guidance to the future Indian officers.

Present on this occasion were

the Chief Guest Mr. Gautam Chatterjee (DG Shipping), Capt. Pradeep Chawla (Managing Director, Quality Assurance and Training AESM Group), Capt. Vinay Singh, (Managing Director, AESM India), Capt. K.N.Deboo (Director and Principal, AEMTC), Mr. Francis Akkara (Vice-Principal and Sr. General Manager, AEMTC), various Faculty and Staff, as also the candidates for the II-Mates Course.



DG Shipping lighting the lamps, Capt. Deboo and Mr. Francis Akkara

mould good quality Officers. This has resulted in Anglo-Eastern setting up a Cadet Pre-Sea Training Academy and Post Sea Training Centres in Mumbai and Delhi. It has one of the best faculties and uses various advanced training methods and state of the art teaching aids..."

Capt. K N Deboo spoke about the illustrious journey and stupendous growth of AEMTC from humble beginnings to its present mammoth size, both in terms of space, the wide variety of courses conducted

To start the event, Mr. Francis Akkara welcomed the Chief Guest and the other dignitaries gracing the event. He mentioned, AEMTC has many 'firsts' to its credit. Some of the important ones being, the MAN BW Electronic Engine training in India, which is the first in Asia, Marflex Electrical Deep well pump systems, another first in Asia, DNV SeaSkill certified Ship's Electrical Officers course, including high voltage system, he added.

This was followed by the lighting up of the Lamp by the Chief Guest Mr. Chatterjee, other dignitaries and followed by the recital of the Saraswati Vandana to invoke the blessings of Goddess Saraswati.

Capt. Vinay Singh was the next speaker, and he gave an invigorating talk on how and why Anglo Eastern has always felt the need to control the quality of its sea staff, and hence its constant endeavor to train its seafarers at all levels, from inception as a fresh cadet right up to a master and chief engineer, further going on to superintendent and auditor training. He mentioned "AESM follows the building block principle to educate our Officers to make the foundation strong to



Mr. Chatterjee in the AEMTC Machinery workshop with MD, Mr. Vijay Gupta and Capt Pradeep Chawla



Mr. Chatterjee in the Cargo Simulator Lab

by it, as also about the advancement in technology and automation being used in training at the Training Centre. He took the audience through various details and aspects of the Second Mates Course as well and impressed upon the cadets (Anglo-Eastern's future officers) that the course will be rigorous with the expectation that all the

participants will pass the II-mates exam in the first attempt with flying colours. He also mentioned a few prestigious awards AESM Training division received acknowledged by national and International organisations, like Sea Trade, Lloyd lists etc.

After that, Mr. Gautam Chatterjee did the honors of

inaugurating the course by cutting the ribbon on the courseware (a three volume set) and expressed his happiness and satisfaction over the progress, dedication and commitment shown by Anglo Eastern towards its efforts on Maritime Education and Training. He gave a piece of vital advice to the students "professionalism in your entire



Mr. Chatterjee, Capt. Chawla and Francis Akkara in the Automat



Mr. Chatterjee, Capt. Vinay Singh and Capt. Mistry in the LPG C



Mr. Chatterjee, Capt. Chawla, Capt. Deboo and Francis Akkara



Mr. Gautham Chatterjee unveiling the course handout

career must be the trump card. The professionalism will take you to heights and will bring up the Indian seafarers name in the International crew market." He also thanked AESM for taking a step towards conducting the second mate's competency course and expressed his desire, that the organization takes control of the entire

educational path of Deck Officers and Engine Officers to mould the Indian Seafarers into the competitive International market and continue maintaining the high reputation the Indian Officers already enjoy.

Mr Chatterjee congratulated Anglo Eastern and shared with the future cadets that "Apart from ultimately acquiring knowledge and

various skills remember that we are looking at competent seafarers. True professionals who possess the ability to self certify their own work, as well as self supervise their work at all times. Focusing on basic integrity is crucial as it defines professionalism."

Capt. Pradeep Chawla, then gave a highly motivational talk to the cadets, and spoke about the



Mr. Gautham Chatterjee in LCHS Lab

Second Mate's Course. He explained the importance of good training at the very start of one's career, "it helps build a strong foundation of good human values and soft skills, as well as technical knowledge and expertise in one's tasks, all of which ensure a really bright future ahead." He also advised the young boys that a strong foundation of basics, which will go hand in glove for building up skill and competence. He mentioned, "Knowledge, competence and skill both professional and human resource related are necessary to achieve professionalism." He also thanked Director General of Shipping

Mr. Chatterjee for taking out his valuable time amidst his busy and demanding schedule.

Capt Chawla further concluded, "the three pillars of professionalism are knowledge, skill and attitude. Lack of proper lookout can be poor attitude which is the cause of major accidents on ships."

Speaking later with Sailor Today on his views about 'Tomorrow's Seafarer', Capt Pradeep Chawla pointed, "the future seafarer will be more knowledgeable, more intelligent and a far more technologically savvy person. He will need to have a high

professional sense and a pride in his own job. These qualities will be very essential in the future."

The special programme culminated with a tour of the entire Anglo Eastern Maritime Training Centre by the Chief Guest to witness various facilities and the specialized training equipment installed at AEMTC. A fitting start, to the inaugural batch of Second Mates Competency course with 24 cadets, all having completed their Pre-Sea training from Anglo Eastern Maritime Academy at Karjat, and their Sea Time on Anglo-Eastern ships. •