## REPORT OF THE ONE-DAY SEMINAR ORGANISED BY PONDICHERRY STATE CENTRE, PUDUCHERRY FOR PUBLICATION IN WEBSITE

Name of Centre/Overseas Chapter: Pondicherry State Centre, Puducherry

Title of Activity: Safety Culture in Construction Industry for (SQF)

Activity under Divisional Board Safety and Quality Forum Division Board , IEI

Date: 25.08.2025 Venue: Conference Hall, PWD, Puducherry



Welcome Address by Er. K. Veeraselvam, Chief Engineer, PWD, Puducherry



**Felicitation & Chairman's Address** by Er. I.C. Singala, SOF Chairman, IEI, PSC



Participated Junior Engineers and Overseers of PWD, Puducherry



**Dr.S. Thirougananame,** IEI Chairman, Puducherry, State Centre delivered a lecture on topic safety tips at Construction

site



**Dr. S. Kothandaraman, Former Principal, PTU** discussed about the topic Quality Vs Safety



**Er. D. Shanmugavadivel,** Former Executive Engineer, Electricity Department, Puducherry the topic is Electrical Safety and Fire Fighting on Electrical Installations



**Photo of Technical Session** 

## **INVITATION**



## **Report for One-Day Seminar**

## **Brief Program Information:**

The Institution of Engineers (India) Pondicherry State Centre successfully hosted a one-day seminar on the theme "Safety Culture in Construction Industry" on August 25, 2025, in the Conference Hall, PWD, Puducherry, under the aegis of the Safety and Quality Forum Division Board. 70 Junior Engineers and Overseers of PWD, Puducherry enthusiastically participated in the event, which aimed to create awareness and promote best practices in safety culture in the construction practices. The seminar was divided into two sessions: Forenoon and Afternoon, with each session comprising two expert lectures.

The Programme started at 9:30 a.m. as the inaugural session. **Er. K. Veeraselvam,** Chief Engineer, PWD, Puducherry, delivered a Welcome Address, emphasizing the growing necessity to incorporate safety standards across all stages of construction practices. He also welcomed the guest speakers and introduced to the participants.

- **Er.J.C.Singhal,** Chairman, Safety and Quality Forum (SQF), IEI, delivered the Felicitation Address, emphasizing the critical importance of safety culture in minimizing and improving the quality of the aspiring engineers, to take a constructive role, in creating a safer and more resilient infrastructure landscape.
- **Dr. S.Thirougnaname**, Chairman of IEI Puducherry State Centre, presented the first expert lecture on "Safety Tips at Construction Sites" During the technical session, he provided profound insights into the significance of regular monitoring and maintenance in protecting heritage structures and guaranteeing public safety.
- **Dr. S. Kothandaraman,** Former Principal of Puducherry Technological University, delivered the second lecture. He talked on "Safety vs Quality," discussing the difficult interplay between maintaining quality standards and adhering to strict safety regulations on building sites.
- **Er.D. Shanmugavadivel,** Former Executive Engineer, Electricity Department, Puducherry, delivered the first lecture of the AN session on "Electrical Safety and Fire Fighting in Electrical Installations". He explained typical hazards, preventive measures and emergency response tactics required for the safe management of electrical infrastructure.

The session concluded with the issuance of certificates to all participants. **Er. R. Coumar**, Committee Member, IEI Puducherry State Centre, gave vote of thanks to the speakers and participants. The event ended with the National Anthem.

Details of the Sessions:	
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	Lecture by: Dr. S.Thirougnaname, Chairman, IEIPSC Topic: Safety Tips at Construction Sites
Day-1(Afternoon) Technical Session I Three invited lectures	Lecture by: Dr. S. Kothandaraman, Former Principal of Puducherry Technological University, Puducherry Topic: Safety vs Quality,
Day-1(Afternoon) Technical Session II Three invited lectures	Lecture by: Er.D. Shanmugavadivel, Former Executive Engineer, Electricity Department, Puducherry, Topic: Electrical Safety and Fire Fighting in Electrical Installations