

Exploring Maritime Environmental Sustainability at IME(I) Karnataka Chapter



The Karnataka Chapter of The Institute of Marine Engineers, India, conducted a highly successful knowledge session addressing the theme of “**Environmental Concerns Related to Ports and an Overview of MARPOL and its Current Status**” on 19th January 2024, at **Eden Club, Mangalore**. **Dr. Roopashri S.**, a distinguished professional and research scholar currently affiliated with the New Mangalore Port Authority, presented valuable insights on the subject. The seminar experienced a notable resurgence of interest among association members in MARPOL Annexes and Shore compliance.

The presentation also included a stimulating conversation about the influence of MARPOL Annex VI on operational and record-keeping facets onboard. The seminar garnered enthusiastic involvement from experienced professionals, as well as both current and retired Marine Engineers, fostering a vibrant platform for the exchange of knowledge.

Senior Marine Consultant and Chairman of IME(I) Karnataka Chapter, **Mr. Preetam Kumar S.**, played a crucial role in guiding the seminar. Reflecting on the event, **Ms. Rupali Raj Joshi**, Secretary of IME(I) Karnataka Chapter, extended appreciation to Dr. Roopashri for her outstanding presentation, underscoring its positive impact on the members. Ms. Joshi noted that the seminar stimulated a meaningful discussion among Marine Engineers, emphasising the significance of environmental considerations in their field. She conveyed that this event marked a rejuvenating engagement, rekindling interest

in MARPOL Annexes and Shore compliance among association members after a considerable period.

The audience demonstrated great enthusiasm, actively engaging in discussions that encompassed vital insights into emerging technologies. The event achieved success with an involved audience and a compelling speaker.

In summary, under Dr. Roopashri’s port-side expertise, the seminar emerged as a rejuvenating and influential assembly, reigniting the significance of MARPOL Annexes and Shore compliance within the marine engineering community. The enthusiastic participation of attendees laid the groundwork for future knowledge-sharing initiatives within IME(I)’s Karnataka Chapter.

