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Indian Safety Song and Video Contest 2019

The Indo-German Focal Point is organizing the Indian Safety Song and Video Contest. The aim of this contest is to promote occupational safety and health at work and in road transport through inspirational productions in English and Hindi. **The three winning entries will be awarded a prize during the International Vision Zero Conference in Mumbai in 2019.**

Interested participants can send their films, music videos and songs promoting occupational safety and health to ssvc2019@gmail.com until 31st August 2018.



For more information, including the registration form and the terms of participation, please consult the Focal Point-Website www.indogermanfocalpoint.com or write an email to ssvc2019@gmail.com.



Photo (from left to right): E.-M. Höffer (DGUV), K.-H. Noetel (ISSA Construction), C. Felten (ISSA Transportation), J. Jühling (ISSA Electricity), V. M. Ramesh (BPCL Kochi Refinery) at the International Conference on Safety and Health 2018 in Kochi, 13.01.2018. Photo by P. George

Vision Zero Conferences

Bhubaneswar, Odisha

Dr. S. C. Jamir, Governor of Odisha, inaugurated the Vision Zero Conference that took place on 22nd and 23rd of February 2018 at Mayfair Convention in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. More than 300 persons attended the conference and exhibition, including managers of different industries, representatives of several Departments of the Government of Odisha (Labour, Transport, Industries, Health & Family Welfare, Steel & Mines), Directorate of Factories & Boilers, Labour Commissioner, Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) and Trade Unions. The event was jointly organized by the Indo-German Focal Point, DGUV, the Labour & ESI Department of the Government of Odisha and the ISSA Sections on Construction, Electricity, Transportation, Information and Mining.

Kochi, Kerala

On 13th January 2018, the Department of Factories and Boilers of the Government of Kerala organized a conference titled "Vision Zero – Practical Solutions" in Kochi with the support of DGUV and the Indo-German Focal Point. The event was inaugurated by the Labour Commissioner K. Biju. The keynote address was held by Prof. h. c. Karl-Heinz Noetel, President of ISSA Construction. Furthermore, a small exhibition of personal protective equipment was arranged with the participation of 3M/Scott Safety, Bornack, Cochin Shipyard, Petronet LNG, BPCL Cochin Refinery. The German made HAZMAT vehicle of Cochin Refinery was one of the major attractions of the exhibition. **More than 500 people attended the conference and exhibition,** including managers, supervisors, workers, safety professionals, students and safety experts from engineering, chemical and construction sector.

National Safety Day

B. K. Sahu gave a speech on occupational safety and health at a programme organised by Chief Inspector of Factories, Odisha, with support of BPCL, a Govt. of India LPG Plant, on the occasion of the National Safety Day on 4th March. 120 entrepreneurs, workers and trainees participated in a safety march, photo competition, training and mock drill on emergency preparedness.



Photo by B. K. Sahu

Focal Point visit to Tamil Nadu

On March 23rd, B. K. Sahu met with T. M. Ram Sharma, Principal Secretary, Labour and Employment Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, in Chennai.

The Indo-German Focal Point is coordinating with the Labour Department of Tamil Nadu and the German Social Accident Insurance (DGUV) with the objective to organize an International Vision Zero Conference in Chennai in October 2018.

Soon you can find the dates for the 2-day-conference on the Focal Point Website.

Upcoming Events

3rd – 5th May 2018

Focal Point visit to Jharkhand State to coordinate cooperation activities

25th – 26th May 2018 (TBC)

Awareness programme for scavengers on safety and health with support of the trade union CITU in Bhubaneswar

24th July 2018

Half-day training programme for construction workers with support of the trade union NCCL in Delhi



TRAINING

The Indo-German Focal Point offers training on occupational safety and health, focusing on the vision zero of achieving zero accidents at work. Interested institutions and enterprises can contact Mr B. K. Sahu for more information at 098180 98844 or via email to

focalpointindia.dguv@gmail.com

Focal Point visit to Karnataka

During the visit of the German delegation, including E.-M. Höffer (DGUV), K.-H. Noetel (ISSA Construction/BG BAU) and K. Eger (BG BAU), B. K. Sahu organized a meeting with Aditya Biswas, Secretary to Government, Labour Department of Karnataka in Bangalore. A. Biswas suggested organizing a seminar on occupational safety and health in the construction section, which is planned for October 2018.

Prevention through Pictures

The Indo-German Focal Point reprinted the brochure “Prevention through Pictures in Construction. Safety and Health are Human Rights” in India. The brochure was launched during the Vision Zero Conference in Bhubaneswar in February 2018. A digital copy can be downloaded from: http://www.ilo.org/safework/info/publications/WCMS_383797/lang-en/index.htm

Photo (from left to right): K. Mohapatra (Director of Factories & Boilers, Odisha), A. Garg (Principal Secretary, Labour Department, Odisha), S. C. Jamir (Governor, Odisha), K.-H. Noetel (BG BAU), B. K. Sahu (Indo-German Focal Point) launching the “Prevention through Pictures” brochure at the Vision Zero Conference in Bhubaneswar, 22.02.2018.

Photo by Eger/BG BAU

