

हिंदी दिवस समारोह की रिपोर्ट **REPORT OF HINDI DAY CELEBRATIONS**

Mangalore Refinery & Petrochemicals Ltd., a subsidiary of O.N.G.C. celebrated Hindi Day on 23-09-2011 at 6.30 P.M. at the Employees Club Auditorium. As a prelude to the Hindi Day Celebration, Hindi Week was organised in the Company from 12-09-2011 to 17-09-2011, which was marked by a total number of fourteen competitions comprising of 9 competitions for the Employees, two for their family members, one each for the children of D P S (School), children of the employees and contact employees'. At the outset, Dr. B.R. Pal, Senior Executive (OL) presented the synopsis of the programme and Smt. Smitha P. presented invocation. Head of Human Resources Department and Group General Manager Shri K. Lakshminarayana welcomed the gathering.



At the dais, Shri U.K. Basu (MD), Shri P.P. Upadhyaya, Director (Tech.), Chiefguest Dr.S.P.Vidhya Kumar & Shri K. Lakshminarayana (GGM-HR)



Shri P.P. Upadhyaya, Director (Technical) distributing awards.

Dr. S.P. Vidya Kumar, Head of the Department of Hindi, Mahaveer College graced the occasion as the Chief Guest of Honour. The programme was presided over by Shri U.K. Basu, the Managing Director and Shri P.P. Upadhyya; Director (Technical) of the company inaugurated the function by lighting the lamp. In his address, the Chief Guest said " Although Hindi has at present spread its wings across the length and breadth of the world, it has not been given due respects it otherwise deserves in its own home land." While concluding he said "Just as the way a country has its National Flag and National Anthem, it should have a National Language as well."



Dr. B.R.Pal Senior Executive (OL) presenting the synopsis of the programme & dignitaries on the Dias.



Shri U.K. Basu (MD) addressing to the audience on the occasion of Hindi Day

In his inaugural address, the Director (Technical) of the company said that Hindi Week/Fortnight plays a predominant role in propagating Hindi. He said "Three of our

Offices have been notified by the Dept. of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs and one of our Offices is inching towards this goal."

Further he said " Slowly but Steadily Hindi is stamping its presence in the global arena. Perhaps, this was the rationale for making, New York, Headquarters of United Nations, the seat of World Hindi Conference, which indeed is a clear manifestation of the reverberations of Hindi resonating throughout the world".

He concluded with this remark "We should not forget that language is basically a medium to communicate our feelings and thoughts i.e.; a language much simpler and easier to understand would definitely find its growth path and such a language would be widely accepted in the social structure".

In course of his presidential address, Shri U.K. Basu, the Managing Director of the Company said "These days Hindi is being widely used as a colloquial language. Resultantly today nearly 70% of our population is capable of speaking and understanding Hindi. No doubt Hindi has been growing quite rapidly. In fact, Hindi is the only link language bridging the gap between North and South.

Hindi has encompassed all the areas, be it films, Television channels, Hindi songs, devotional numbers or even mutual exchanges, Hindi has become much popular every where. If at all it is lagging behind, it is to be only in Government Offices. Progress of Hindi cannot be achieved by a handful of employees but by collective efforts of all the employees put together.



MRPL Employees presenting performance during the event

Finally he said "Govt. of India has set a target 55% for Hindi correspondence in Region 'C', the simplest and easiest methodology to achieve his target is to send maximum E-mails in Hindi and encourage our colleagues to follow this cue".

Shri U.K. Basu, the Managing Director of the company handed over a cheque of Rs. 2500/- to each of the six toppers of DPS who secured highest marks in Hindi subject in Tenth Standard. All these toppers have secured A1 grade in Hindi Subject in the Tenth Standard of C B S E curriculum.

Prizes and certificates were given away by the Chief Guest and other Guests to the winners of various Hindi competitions organised as a prelude to the Hindi Week and cash awards were distributed among 51 employees who passed Hindi Prabodh, Praveen and Hind Pragya examinations.



After the inaugural function, Sandeep Panchwatkar and his team presented a glittering colourful cultural programme under the Banner "JUNOON"



A group photo of MRPL team with the cultural team of "JUNOON"

The presence of Heads of various departments during the celebration added lustre to the programme. The programme was hosted by Dr. Pal and vote of thanks was proposed by Shri P.A. Jose, Deputy General Manager of Training Centre.