2 Day’s Workshop on “Enhancing Auditor’s Skill” at BPCL Sewree Installation (20th and 21st February, 2019)

Safety audit is a well-recognized tool to identify the potential safety hazards and assess the effectiveness of existing safety management system. Further it also suggests appropriate measures / corrective action to strengthen the existing safety systems in order to minimize incidents / accidents involving personnel and equipment. Therefore, focus shall be on systematic auditing of locations by highly knowledgeable and experienced auditors to identify the gaps along with appropriate implementable recommendations.

Oil Industry Safety Directorate (OISD), a technical wing under Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas is conducting External Safety Audit of POL Installations across the Country. There are total 276 POL installations and each Installation is audited in a frequency of five / six years. OMCs are also carrying out annual Internal Safety Audit of respective POL Installations by a multiple disciplinary audit team comprising experienced and knowledgeable senior officers from operations and safety functions.

Review of External Safety Audit reports indicates that various critical observations / recommendations are not reflecting in Internal Safety Audit reports. Hence, a need was felt for “Enhancing Auditing Skill” of OMCs internal auditors to strengthen Internal Auditing System.

A 2 Day Workshop was organized on “Enhancing Auditors’ Skills” of BPCL internal Auditors by OISD Marketing Operations (POL) group at BPCL Sewree Installation during 20th and 21st February, 2019.

The workshop was attended by 34 participant’s comprising senior level officers of HSE/M&I/Ops role holders of Regions/locations across the country.

The workshop was inaugurated by Sh. P S Ravi ,CGM (Retail) I/C , in the august presence of Sh. M S Patke , ED (HSSE), Sh. CGM E & P & Sh. Sanjeev Raina , GM OPS I/C.

Dir-Marketing Ops, OISD delivered a key note address in which he briefly touched upon the roles and responsibilities of auditors in carrying out effective safety audits of POL locations. Also explained the various principles needs to be adopted by auditor / auditee during the audit. He also stressed upon focused Importance of safety and its strict adherence towards achieving “NIL” accidents.

After key note address, field visit was organized on 1st day of workshop. The auditors conducted audit of Sewree Installation in 3 groups along with participants. Officials from OISD and OMCs were guiding the auditors in various fields of auditing. Participants were fully charged and sounded strong towards commitment of safety.
On day 2 of the workshop, the three groups presented their critical observations and recommendations recorded during field visits, which were discussed in details by all the participants.

Apart from auditing of location facilities by group of participants under guidance of experienced OISD/OMC Officials, the most attractive and importance of this workshop was demonstration of testing and calibration of different types of equipment/instruments comprising of Mechanical Equipment testing/calibration and testing of Electrical equipment.

The test benches are designed as per the OISD, IS and API standards and a brief procedure was displayed.

The Mechanical workshop exhibited following bench testing:

- PV (Pressure Vacuum) Valve Testing
- Pressure Gauge Calibration.
- Thermal Safety Relief Valve (TSV)
- Product Hose Testing
- Fire Hose Testing
- Product Pipeline Testing
The Electrical workshop exhibited following bench testing:

- Multimeter
- Megger
- UT testing meter
- Lux meter
- Explosive meter
- Vibration meter
- Sound testing meter.

The participants appreciated the live demonstration of various equipment.

The workshop concluded with feedback session which was highly rated by the participants. However, participants requested for more time for field visits and interaction with OISD team.

OISD thanks BPCL Sewree Installation for all supports in successfully organizing the workshop.

The workshop ended with concluding remarks of Sh. L. L. Sahu, Director-Marketing Ops.and vote of thanks from Sh. R Sundaresh, Head COE (Retail).