

Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Government of India presided over the meeting. President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass addressed about the grievances of member industries in implementing the Weights & Measures Act. Sri G. Rajendran, President, COINDIA and many MC members attended the seminar.

Steering Committee Meeting of CII:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended the Steering Committee Meeting to discuss about conducting of National Foundry Conclave organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (SR), Coimbatore Zone on 13th August 2008 at PDMC, COINDIA.

Independence Day Celebrations:

Office-bearers and MC members attended the Flag Hoisting ceremony on the eve of 61st Independence Day Celebrations on 15th August 2008 at our Association. Soon

after the flag hoisting, the following three initiatives were released.

Releasing of INSIGHT – SIEMA's fortnightly Newsletter

Past President Sri R. Somasundaram released the first copy of SIEMA's fortnightly Newsletter – INSIGHT (which will cover the activities of SIEMA every fortnight).

Releasing of Directory of MC Members:

For the first time, we have compiled a Directory of Managing Committee members. The first copy of the Directory was released by our Past President Sri S. Thiruvengatesalu.

Releasing of SIEMA Magazine:

Past President Sri G. Rajendran released the first copy of the new look SIEMA News Magazine.



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Session on, "Brain Storming on Power Scenario":

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Vice-President Sri R. R. Ranghanathen attended a session on, "Brain Storming on Power Scenario in Tamil Nadu" organized by Confederation of Indian Industry, Tamil Nadu State Council on 1st August 2008 at Hotel The Residency. During the meeting it was decided to form a Zonal level Core Group to suggest solutions on the power problems to the Electricity Board.

Tamil Nadu State Council meeting of CII:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Vice-President Sri R. R. Ranghanathen, attended the Tamil Nadu State Council Meeting of Confederation of Indian Industry on 1st August 2008 at Hotel The Residency. The Council meeting was chaired by Sri Manickam Ramaswamy, Chairman, CII, Tamil Nadu.

Special Technical Committee Meeting:

A special Technical Committee was held on 2nd August 2008 and discussed about the points to be submitted to Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Ministry of Power, Government of India during the meeting to be held on 5th August 2008 at New Delhi.

National Council Meeting of IPA:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Vice-President Sri V. Lakshminarayanan attended the National Council meeting of Indian Plumbers' Association (IPA), Mumbai on 4th August 2008 at Hotel the Residency.

Council Meeting of IIF (CC):

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Vice-President Sri V. Lakshminarayanan and COINDIA President G. Rajendren attended the Council meeting of Institute of Indian Foundrymen (Coimbatore Chapter) on



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4th August 2008 at Hotel The Residency. Sri Jayakumar Ramdass addressed the members of Council and explained about the activities of SIEMA and invited the members of IIF to take part in the activities of SIEMA.

Meeting with the National Council Member of IPA:

Sri Kamal Khakhani, National Council Member, Indian Plumbers' Association and Director, Akar Info-media Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Vice-President Sri T.C. Thiagarajan on 5th August 2008 at our Association and discussed about conducting an awareness programme on Increasing Pump Efficiency jointly by both the Associations and also discussed about conducting an exhibition at Coimbatore.

Meeting with officials of SMERA:

Sri Virendra Goyal, Regional Manager, South, Sri Vaney Prasad, Cluster Development Manager and Sri Mansoor Basha, Manager – Area Development, SMERA met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and Sri V. Lakshmi Narayanasamy on 5th August 2008 and discussed about the Rating for SME members of our Association and agreed to enter an MoU with us for issuing Credit Rating to our member industries at concessional prize. We have informed them that this subject will be

discussed in the ensuing MC meeting and after getting approval, MoU can be signed.

Meeting at CODISSIA:

Managing Committee Member Sri K.V. Ganapathi attended a meeting at CODISSIA on 6th August 2008 and discussed about conducting of a seminar on, “Weights & Measures Act and packaged Commodities Rules” to be held on 13th August 2008.

Governing Council Meeting of Si'Tarc:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended the Governing Council Meeting of Si'Tarc on 7th August 2008.

Special Technical Committee Meeting:

A special Technical Committee meeting was held on 8th August 2008 at our Association to discuss about the outcome of the meeting on implementation of Standards & Labelling for Pumpsets organized by Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Ministry of Power, Government of India held on 5th August 2008. Prof. R. Subramanian, Technical Co-ordinator who attended the meeting at New Delhi briefed the outcome of the meeting.

Press meet at CODISSIA:

Sri N. Mahendran, Managing Committee member attended a Press meet jointly organized by CODISSIA & SIEMA to brief

about the one day seminar on, Weights & Measures and Package Commodities Act to be held on 11th August 2008 at CODISSIA.

Meeting with DEE, TNPCB:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and Sri R.R. Ranghanathen attended a meeting organized by COINDIA to meet Sri Selvam, District Environmental Engineer, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Coimbatore on 11th August 2008 at our Association.

Meeting with members:

We have arranged a meeting on 11th August 2008 at our Association with our members and discussed about the requirements of raw materials used in Pump Motor Industry to enable us to forward the same to COINDIA for bulk purchase under COINDIA Raw Material Bank.

Meeting with Officials of CRISIL:

Sri Amith Ramesh, Marketing Associate and Sri R. Vivek, Sales Representative, CRISIL, Coimbatore met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and discussed about offering their services in getting Credit Rating for our members. President requested them to give discount on the existing rate for giving credit rating.

Technical presentation:

SIEMA & COINDIA jointly conducted a Technical presentation on, “Polypropylene LFT in Pumps – a Cost effective Solution' by

Sri V. Kannan, General Manager – Business Development, Reliance Industries Ltd., Chennai and Sri Mukesh Sanghvi, Director, Indore Composite Ltd., Mumbai on 11th August 2008 at our Association.

Meeting with Hon'ble Minister for Rural Industries:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri R.R. Ranghanathen, Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and COINDIA President Sri G. Rajendran met Sri Pongalur N. Palaniswamy, Minister for Rural Industries, Government of Tamil Nadu on 12th August 2008 at his residence and discussed about the progress in the construction work at CMTR – 2.

Interaction with the Director, LMD:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended an interaction organized by CODISSIA on 12th August 2008 to meet Sri R. Mathurbootham, Director, Legal Metrology, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Government of India, New Delhi and discussed about the grievances of the member industry in implementing the Weights & Measures Act.

Seminar at CODISSIA:

SIEMA, CODISSIA, ICCIC, SIHMA and TWMMMDRA jointly organized a seminar on, “Weights & Measures Act and Packaged Commodities Rules” on 13th August 2008 at CODISSIA Hall. Sri R. Mathurbootham, Director (Legal Metrology), Ministry of

1.3 The standard ratings covered under the energy labelling scheme are as follows:

Product detail Electrical Pumps	Range kW	Applicable IS
Openwell Submersible Pumpsets	1.1 kW, 1.5 kW, 2.2 kW, 3.0 kW, 3.7 kW & 5.5 kW, 7.5 kW, 9.3 kW, 11 kW, 15 kW	IS 14220
Submersible Pumpsets	1.1 kW, 1.5 kW, 2.2 kW, 3.0 kW, 3.7 kW, 5.5 kW, 7.5 kW, 9.3 kW, 11 kW, 15 kW	IS 8034
Monoset Pumps	0.37 kW, 0.75 kW, 1.1 kW, 1.5 kW, 2.2 kW, 3.7 kW, 5.5 kW, 7.5 kW, 9.3 kW, 11 kW, 15 kW	IS 9079

The following representation has been made by SIEMA to BEE:

1) Percentage of Star Rating for Motors & Pumps:

Minimum Overall Efficiency		Number of Stars
Proposed by BEE	Suggested by SIEMA	
Overall efficiency as per IS Standard	Overall efficiency as per IS Standard	One *
= 1.05 times overall eff. as per IS Standard	= 1.05 time overall eff. as per IS Standard	Two **
= 1.1 times overall eff. as per IS Standard	= 1.07 times overall eff. as per IS Standard	Three ***
= 1.15 times overall eff. as per IS Standard	= 1.10 times overall eff. as per IS standard	Four ****
= 1.20 times overall eff. as per IS Standard	= 1.12 times overall eff. as per IS standard	Five *****

2) The S & L programme for star rating to be limited to the discharge of pumpsets as mentioned below:

Pump sets	Range Kw	No of Poles	Discharge Range at duty point in LPS	Applicable IS
3 Phase open well submersible pumpsets	2.2 Kw to 15 Kw	2 Pole	6 to 20	IS 14220
3 Phase submersible pumpset for 150 mm (6**) bore wells	3.7 Kw to 15 Kw	2 pole	3 to 6	IS 8034
3 Phase submersible pumpset for 200mm (8") bore wells	3.7 Kw to 15 Kw	2 Pole	6 to 25 suggested by SIEMA	IS 8034
3 Phase Mono-set pumps	2.2 Kw to 15 Kw	2 Pole	6 to 20	IS 9079

3. SIEMA also requests BEE not to insist on marking ISI on the product name plate along with Star rating



Inauguration of COINDIA Raw Material Bank:

Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, President, Sri R.R. Ranghanathan and Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and few of our MC members attended the inauguration of COINDIA Raw Material Bank on 1st September 2008. Sri Pongalur N. Palaniswamy, Hon'ble Minister for Rural & Industries and Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu inaugurated the CRB.

Meeting with the Branch Manager, SAIL, Coimbatore:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass met Sri Panda, Branch Manager, Steel Authority of India Ltd., Coimbatore on 8th September 2008 and discussed about supply of foundry grade Pig Iron to Coimbatore industries. The Branch Manager informed that 600 M/t of Pig Iron has arrived at the stockyard of SAIL and assured to send the chemical composition for our reference.

Discussion on bulk purchase of Raw Materials:

Sri Mahendra Kabra, Executive Director and Sri Mani Parakkal, AGM – Sales & Marketing, Ramratna Wires Ltd., Mumbai met our President Sri Jayakumar

Ramdass on 8th September 2008 at our Association and discussed about bulk purchase of Copper wire to supply the same to our members through COINDIA Raw Material Bank at a concessional rate

Sri N. Soundara Rajan, Manager – Marketing, Bhushan Steel Ltd., Coimbatore met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 8th September 2008 at our Association and discussed about supply of CR Sheets to our members units through COINDIA Raw Material Bank.

Signing of MoU:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass offered felicitations during the signing of Memorandum of Understanding between CODISSIA & ITPA on 8th September 2008 at CODISSIA Trade Fair Complex.

Discussion on bulk purchase of Raw Materials:

Sri Vivek Garg, Regional Head - Sales, Thyssen Krupp Electrical Steel India P Ltd., met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, MC member Sri Ma.Sendhil Kumar and COINDIA President Sri G. Rajendran on 9th September 2008 at our Association and discussed about bulk purchase of CRNO and CR Coils and supply the same to our members through

COINDIA Raw Material Bank at a concessional rate.

Meeting on implementation of S & L programme of BEE:

SIEMA in association with Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Ministry of Power, Government of India convened a meeting to discuss about the Implementation of Standards & Labelling programme for Motors & Pumpsets by M/s. Bureau of Energy Efficiency. Sri Sandeep Garg, Energy Economist, BEE, New Delhi addressed our members about implementation of the S & L programme. SIEMA has forwarded its opinion and suggested necessary changes to be incorporated in the draft. BEE has assured to look into it and respond favourably. The meeting was well attended by around 80 members.

Meeting to discuss about Power situation:

Our Vice-President Sri T.C. Thiagarajan attended a meeting on 12th September 2008 at CODISSIA hall to discuss about the points to be submitted to Hon'ble Shri Arcot N. Veeraswamy, Minister for Electricity, Government of Tamil Nadu jointly by leading Associations

Meeting at Secretariat, Chennai

Sri Kuppuswamy one of our member and Managing Partner, Jai Industries attended a meeting organized by Sri Arcot N. Veeraswamy, Hon'ble Minister for Electricity, Government of Tamil Nadu on 13th September 2008 at the Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai to discuss and review about the power situation in our State.

Discussion on wish list of Coimbatore

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Vice-President Sri R.R. Ranganathan alongwith the office-bearers of sister Associations met Sri R. Prabhu, Member of Parliament, Nilgiri Constituency on 13th September 2008 at his residence and discussed about the industrial status of the region. They also submitted a wish list of Coimbatore and requested to take up the matter with the Central and State Governments.

80th year celebration of Indian Chamber Coimbatore

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended the inaugural function of 80th year Celebrations of Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry Coimbatore on 14th September 2008 at Chamber Towers. Sri P. Chidambaram, Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Government of India inaugurated the celebrations.

Technical Committee:

Technical Committee meetings were held on 1st, 8th and 15th September 2008 at our Association and discussed the following subjects on International documents:

- a) IEC – Winding Wires – Test Methods (Part 2) – Determination of dimensions
- b) IEC – Specification for particular type of winding wires – Part 56
- c) IEC – Specifications for particular types of winding wires Part 7

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The Fourth Meeting of the Managing Committee will be held on Wednesday the 17th September 2008 at ND Hall, SIEMA.

The newly designed Web Site of SIEMA will be launched on Wednesday the 17th September 2008 during our 4th Managing Committee Meeting.

21st Annual General Meeting of Si'Tarc will be held on Thursday the 18th September 2008 at Si'Tarc premises, Avarampalayam, Coimbatore.

Presentation on, "Carbon Credit" by Sri R. Varadarajan, Whole-time Director & Chief Operating Officer, Rajshree Sugars Ltd., Coimbatore on 22nd September 2008 at our Association.

The following subjects will be discussed at the Technical Committee meeting to be held on 29th September 2008

A – Winding Wires – Test Methods (Part 2) – Determination of dimensions

B– Specification for particular type of winding wires – Part 56

C– Specifications for particular types of winding wires Part 7

The 4th Annual General Meeting of COINDIA will be held on 29th September 2008 at PDMC, COINDIA.

The Regional Advisory Committee and Public Grievance Committee meetings of Central Excise will be held on Wednesday the 17th September 2008 at Central Excise Commissionerate, Coimbatore.

NEW ARRIVAL AT PDMC, COINDIA

Rapid Prototyping (RPT) - Rapid Manufacturing through Laser Sand-Sintering

COINDIA has purchased the above machine and has installed at Product Die & Mould Centre (PDMC), Avarampalayam. The cost of the machine is around Rs.8 crores. RPT-Fast, Flexible and cost-efficient production of tools and end products directly from electronic data. Modern production requires automated production methods. Laser-sintering, a generative-layer manufacturing technology is one of these. Without tools, this EOS technology generates any three-dimensional geometry efficiently and flexibly.

The process offers such advantages as functional integration and considerable design freedom, laser-sintering produces nearly any shape, no matter how complex. Furthermore, it allows for the tool-less production of hundreds of products in each automated process cycle.

Highlight of Standards & Labelling programme proposed by Bureau of Energy Efficiency:

1.1 This standard specifies the requirements for participating in the energy labelling scheme for Agricultural pumpsets covering Monoblock Pumpsets, Submersible Pumpsets and Openwell Submersible Pumpsets.

1.2 The referred Indian Standards are IS 9079 : 2002 Electric Monoset Pumps for clear, cold water for agricultural and water supply purposes, IS 8034 : 2002 Submersible Pumpsets, IS 14220 : 1994 Openwell Submersible Pumpsets.

conduct a National Seminar on Motors on Friday the 24th October 2008 at Product Die and Mould Centre (PDMC), COINDIA complex. The details of the seminar would be sent directly from BIS, New Delhi. We request the members to attend the seminar on 24th October 2008 which would be very useful.

For further clarifications kindly feel free to contact SIEMA secretariat during office hours.

Forthcoming Events

Meeting with members will be held on 1st October 2008 at 6.00 pm at our Association to discuss and explain about the International Trade Fair-EIMA and Industrial visits to Water Pump Industries in and around Italy.

Technical Committee meeting will be held on 6th October 2008 to discuss about the Agenda for Sub-Committee ME 05 and ME 06 of Bureau of Indian Standards to be held on 16th October 2008 at Mumbai.

Ayutha Pooja will be performed on Tuesday the 7th October 2008 at 8.00 am. The Pooja will be followed by breakfast.

Presentation on HALT & HASS (Highly Accelerated Life Testing & Highly Accelerated Stress Screening) by Sri Sumandra Ghosh, Senior Manager, Wipro Technologies will be held on 13th October 2008 at our Association.

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We are glad to inform the members that all the latest events and other important activities of SIEMA are being updated in the newly re-designed web site of our Association. We request the members to visit our Web site and get latest information. We also request you to kindly send us your feed back on the web site and activities to enable us to make necessary changes accordingly.



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Activities of SIEMA from 16.9.2008 - 30.9.2008

Meeting of Committee of Parliament on Official language:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended a meeting and cultural programme to honour the members of Second Sub-Committee of Committee of Parliament on Official Language jointly organized by Bureau of Indian Standards, Office of the Post Master General, Western Region and Central Institute for Cotton Research, Regional Station, Coimbatore on 16th September 2008 at Hotel The Residency.

Discussion on Trade Investment in United Kingdom:

Sri Robert Kelly, Deputy Head of Mission & Head of Commercial Section, British Deputy High Commission, Chennai met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 17th September 2008 at our Association and discussed about export opportunities for UK companies and joint venture prospects with Indian counter-parts.

Public Grievance / Watch Dog & RAC of Central Excise:

Past President Sri Mahendra Ramdass attended the Public Grievance / Watch Dog and Regional Advisory Committee meetings of Central Excise, Coimbatore on 17th September 2008 at Coimbatore Central Excise Commissionerate.

4th Meeting of the Managing Committee:

The Fourth Meeting of the Managing Committee of our Association was held on 17th September 2008 at our Association. The minutes of the meetings has already been circulated.

Hosting of SIEMA Web Site:

Past President Sri Mahendra Ramdass inaugurated the re-designed Web Site of SIEMA during the 4th Managing Committee

Meeting held on 17th September 2008. The re-designed Web Site contains various and latest informations such as photo gallery, link to members' web site, technical informations etc.

Signing of MoU:

President and Office-bearers attended the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Si'Tarc and PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore on 18th September 2008 at Si'Tarc premises.

AGM of Si'Tarc:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri R.R. Ranghanathen, Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and Sri V. Lakshminarayananasamy attended the 21st Annual General meeting of Small Industries' Testing And Research Centre (Si'Tarc) on 18th September 2008 at Si'Tarc premises, Avarampalayam.

Governing Body meeting of CPC:

Vice-President Sri R.R. Ranghanathen attended the Governing Body meeting of Coimbatore Productivity Council held on 18th September 2008 at Council premises.

Industrial Supplement on Coimbatore:

Sri Ramesh, Staff Reporter, Dinakaran, Coimbatore interviewed our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 19th September 2008 at our Association about the industrial scenario in Coimbatore for publishing in the THOZHILIL MALAR – Industrial Supplement – to be released by them.

Trade Fair & Industrial Visit to Italy:

Sri Ajay Krishnan, Regional Manager and Ms. Sreevidya, Executive, M/s. Orbitz Tours & Travels, Coimbatore met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 18th September 2008 at our Association and discussed about visit to Trade Fair and Industrial visits in Italy during November 2008. President requested them to give a detailed proposal to inform our members accordingly.

AGM of KURAL:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended the Annual General Meeting of KURAL on 19th September 2008 at our premises.

Meeting on IT Solutions:

Sri Vaidyanathan S.K., Cluster Manger, VIKAS & Microsoft met our President Sri Jayakumar

Ramdass and Vice-President Sri V. Lakshminarayananasamy on 22nd September 2008 at our Association and discussed about conducting a joint programme on IT Solutions by SMEs of this region. VIKAS is an organization promoted by Government of India in association with Microsoft.

Presentation on "Carbon Credit"

We have arranged a presentation on, "Carbon Credit" by Sri R. Varadarajan, Whole-time Director and Chief Operating Officer, Rajshree Sugars Ltd., Coimbatore on 22nd October 2008 at our Association.

Meeting with Chairman, TNPCB:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri R.R. Ranghanathen, Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and Sri V. Lakshminarayananasamy and Past President Sri G. Rajendran met Sri Balakrishnan, I.A.S., Chairman and Sri R. Ramachandran, Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Chennai on 24th September 2008 at our Association.

Meeting at PSG STEP:

Vice-President Sri T.C. Thiagarajan attended the Governing Body

Meeting and Annual General Meeting of PSG STEP on 26th September 2008 at PSG STEP.

AGM of COINDIA:

President and other Office-bearers attended the Annual General Meeting of Coimbatore Industrial Infrastructure Association (COINDIA) on 29th September 2008 at PDMC, COINDIA.

National Seminar on Motors

We have received a letter from Sri Prakash Bachani, Scientist E and Director (ETD), Bureau of Indian Standards, New Delhi informing that BIS wants to convene a National Seminar on Motors in association with SIEMA. BIS has chosen Coimbatore because there is a large concentration of industries of small as well as large motors in organised and un-organised sectors. The object of this seminar is apprise the industries about standardization and implementation of Indian Standards on Electric Motors and BIS Certification Scheme.

Based on the request of BIS, we have accepted and decided to

Past President Sri Mahendra Ramdas attended a meeting organized by the Tamil Nadu Electricity Board to meet Sri Shiv Das Meena, I.A.S. Executive Director, TNEB, Chennai on 14th October 2008 at EB Office, Coimbatore and discussed about the prevailing power situation.

Meeting with Officials of IDBI:

Sri Srinivasa Sadagopan, Assistant General Manager - Branch Head and Sri R. Karthik, Relationship Manager, IDBI Bank, Coimbatore

met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 15th October 2008 and discussed about the schemes available for the SMEs with their Bank and requested for a date to give a presentation about their activities to our members.

5th Managing Committee Meeting:

The 5th MC meeting was held on 15th October 2008 at our Association and the Minutes of the meeting will be sent separately.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

A one day closure and procession by the employers and employees of 25 industrial Associations in and around Coimbatore to protest against the 8 hour power cut will be held on 22nd October 2008. The details will be sent shortly to all our members.

One day workshop on, Lean Manufacturing by Sri V. Venkatasubramaniam, BPL, Bangalore jointly organized by SIEMA & COINDIA will be held on 23rd October 2008 at our Association.

Signing of Memorandum between SIEMA & SMERA Ltd., will be held on 24th October 2008 at our Association. The invitation will be sent shortly.

SIEMA Day – a family get-together of our members – will be held on Saturday the 1st November 2008 at COINDIA Complex, Coimbatore. We cordially invite all the members to attend the function.

We wish all our members a Happy and Safe Diwali.



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Interaction with members on Industrial Tour to Italy:

Sri Ritesh Yadav, Business Director – South India, Sri Ajay Krishnan, Branch Manager and Ms. Sreevidya, Executive, M/s. Orbitz Corporate & Leisure Travels India Pvt. Ltd., gave a presentation to our members on 1st October 2008 at our Association on IEMA – an International Exhibition held between 13th to 16th November 2008 at Bologna and Industrial visits at Italy.

Discussion on arrangements for SIEMA Day:

Sri Veerasekar, Magician, Coimbatore met Managing Committee Members Sri Vijaya Ranga Raj, Sri T. Vijaya Mohan and Manager (Admin) U.P. Srinivasalu and discussed about presenting a Magic show during SIEMA day to be held on 1st November 2008.

Technical Committee Meeting:

Technical Committee met on 6th October 2008 and discussed about the Agenda of the ME 20:5 and ME 20:6 of BIS, New Delhi.

Meeting with Chief Engineer (Co-ordination), TNEB, Chennai:

Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, President attended a meeting with Sri Viswanathan, Chief Engineer (Co-ordination), Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Chennai organized by TNEB, Coimbatore and discussed about prevailing power situation in Coimbatore.

Meeting with Chief Engineer (Distribution), TNEB, Coimbatore:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass met Sri V.G. Manoharan, Chief Engineer (Distribution), Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Coimbatore on 7th October 2008 at his office and represented the grievance of one of member with regard to payment of additional deposit for new EB connection.

Ayudha Pooja:

Ayudha Pooja was performed on 7th October 2008 at our Association. Office-bearers, Past Presidents and

Technical Committee members attended the Pooja.

Opening Ceremony of “Visruta”:

Shri Ashish Kumar, I.A.S., Jt. Commissioner – Commercial Taxes (E), Coimbatore inaugurated VISRUTA – Silver Show Room and our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass inaugurated the online-Shoppe of the Show Room on 9th October 2008.

Meeting at CODISSIA:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-President Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and MC Members attended a joint meeting of SIEMA, CODISSIA, SIMA, IIF, CHAMBER, SISSPA, TACT and 20 other Associations on 10th October 2008 at CODISSIA to discuss about the prevailing power situation. At the meeting it was decided to organise a protest rally on 22nd October 2008 against the 8 hour power shut down per day and also decided to close all the engineering and foundry units on that day.

SIEMA Day:

A preliminary meeting on the subject was held on 10th October 2008 at our Association.

Meeting at TANSTIA, Chennai:

Sri Kuppuswamy, Managing Partner, Jai Industries attended a meeting

and Press Meet organized by Tamil Nadu Small and Tiny Industries' Association (TANSTIA), Chennai to discuss about the prevailing power crisis in our State.

Interaction with Officials of British Deputy High Commission:

Ms. Maya Sivakumar, Sr. Trade & Investment Adviser and Mr. Sujith Thomas, Trade & Investment Adviser, U.K. Trade & Investment Board, British Deputy High Commission, Chennai met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 13th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about business development for pump industry, conducting programmes jointly with our Association, trade enquiries for pump and motors from their country etc.

Special Technical Committee meeting:

A special Technical Committee meeting was held on 13th October 2008 at our Association to discuss about the Agenda of the meeting of MED 20:5 and MED 20:6 of BIS, New Delhi. The sub-committee meetings will be held on 16th October 2008 at Mumbai. Sri G. Rajendran, Chairman, Pump & Motor Panel, SIEMA will attend the meeting.

Meeting with MD and other executives of ORBITZ:

Sri Rupen Vikamsey, Managing Director Ms. Laju Jariwala, Business Director, Orbitz, Mumbai and Sri Ajay Krishna, Branch Manger, Orbitz, Coimbatore and Ms, Karanti Nagvegar, Regional Director – South, United Business Media India Pvt. Ltd., met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri R.R. Ranganathan and Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and MC member Sri Vijaya Ranga Raj on 13th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about conducting SIEMA Expo during 2010 at Coimbatore.

Presentation on HALT & HASS:

A presentation on, “HALT & HASS (High Accelerated Life Testing and Highly Accelerated Stress Screening) by Sri Sumandra Ghosh, Sr. Manager, Wipro Technologies, Bangalore was held on 13th October 2008 at our Association. The presentation was very useful and members who attended the presentation expressed their satisfaction.

World Standards Day:

Office-bearers and Past Presidents attended the World Standards Day celebrations organized by Bureau of Indian Standards on 14th October 2008 at PDMC, COINDIA Complex. The topic of discussion was “Intelligent & Sustainable Buildings”.

Meeting with official of MS Corporation:

Sri Kishore Balaji, Business Development Manager, SME Cluster Initiative, Microsoft Corporation (India) Pvt. Ltd., Gurgaon and Sri Vaidy, Manager, Cluster Initiative, VIKAS, Coimbatore met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass on 14th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about conducting a programme for the benefit of member industries on IT and setting up of a e-desk at our Association to help our member industry.

Meeting with the Minister of Rural Industries:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass and Past President Sri Mahendra Ramdas attended a meeting convened by Shri Pongalur N. Palaniswamy, Minister of Rural Industries and Animal Husbandry, Government of Tamil Nadu on 14th October 2008 at Circuit House Coimbatore to discuss about the present scenario of engineering and foundry industry in and around Coimbatore.

Meeting with Executive Director, TNEB, Chennai:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, MC Member Sri K.V. Ganapathi and

attended the function. M/s. Yathi Pumps, M/s. Jai Industries, M/s. Sharp Pumps, M/s. Suguna Machine Works and M/s. Mahendra Submersible Pumps P Ltd., have submitted their application for credit rating of their respective units.

Meeting at CODISSIA:

President attended a meeting of Office-bearers of industrial Associations on 29th October 2008 to discuss about the next course of action on shortage of power.

SIEMA Day:

Office bearers and MC member Sri Vijaya Ranga Raj met on 29th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about the arrangements made on conducting SIEMA Day to be held on 1st November 2008.

AGM of Chamber:

Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, President, Sri R.R. Ranganathan, Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and Sri V. Lakshminarayananasamy, Vice-Presidents and Past President Sri G. Rajendran attended the 74th Annual General Meeting of Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry Coimbatore held on 31st October 2008 at Chamber Towers. President submitted a memorandum highlighting some of the requirements for engineering industries and requested the Chamber to include this as one of the AGM resolution. President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass also offered felicitations to Sri Mahendra Ramdas, Past President, SIEMA on his election as the President of Chamber and to Sri D. Balasundaram, the out going President for his tireless services extended to Chamber.



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Activities of SIEMA from 15.10.2008 - 31.10.2008

SIEMA Day:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, MC Members Sri Vijaya Ranga Raj and Sri T. Vijaya Mohan met on 16th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about the arrangements made for SIEMA Day to be held on 1st November 2008.

MED 20 Meetings of BIS, New Delhi:

Sri G. Rajendran, Chairman, Pump and Motor Panel attended the Sub-Committee Meetings, ME 20:5 and 20:6 of Bureau of Indian Standards held on 16th October 2008 at Mumbai.

Meeting with DDG (WR), BIS:

Sri G. Rajendran, Chairman, Pump and Motor Panel and Sri J. Gowrisankar, MC member met Sri P. Sengupta, Deputy Director General (Western Region), BIS on 16th October 2008 at Mumbai on a courtesy call.

Lecture on Indian Power Sector:

Sri V. Lakshminarayananasamy, Vice-President and Sri Mahendra Ramdas, Chairman, Taxes & Taxation Committee attended a lecture on "The Indian Power Sector – Issues and Challenges" by Sri R.V. Shahi, Former Secretary to Government, Ministry of Power, Government of India jointly organized by Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Coimbatore and Tamil Nadu Electricity Consumers' Association on 16th October 2008 at Hotel The Residency.

AGM of TECA:

Sri V. Lakshminarayananasamy, Vice-President and Sri Mahendra Ramdas attended the 10th Annual General Meeting of Tamil Nadu Electricity Consumers' Association (TECA) on 16th October 2008 at Hotel The Residency.



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Meeting at CODISSIA:

Sri R.R. Ranghanathen, Vice-President attended a meeting at CODISSIA on 17th October 2008 to discuss about the arrangements to be made for the one day procession to be held on 22nd October 2008 against the power cut.

Interaction with UNIDO & DIPP Officials:

Vice-President Sri V. Lakshminarayanamsamy, Past Presidents Sri R. Somasundaram, Sri R.R. Balasundharam, Sri C.R. Shanmughasundaram, Sri G. Rajendran, President, COINDIA and Office-bearers of Chamber, CODISSIA, IIF, Si'Tarc, IPMA, COSMAFAN, COFIOA attended a meeting to interact with Sri M.S. Dhakad, Director, DIPP, Sri Deepak Ballani, Sri Thiam Ng, Shri Ricardo Mesiano, representatives from UNIDO, New Delhi on 17th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about the activities of COINDIA.

Inaugural function:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended the inauguration of Green

Power Tech Pvt. Ltd., a company manufacturing solar power lights and wind mill equipments at a low cost, on 19th October 2008 and offered felicitations. Sri V. Palanikumar, I.A.S., District Collector inaugurated the meeting.

Discussion on IPR:

Sri Sudhir Ravindran, CEO, GBS, Chennai met our President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, MC members Sri K. Ramakrishnan and Sri G. Suresh on 20th October 2008 at our Association and discussed about setting up of a facilitation centre of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) at our Association for the benefit of our member industries under the auspicious of MSME, Government of India.

AGM of CPC:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Vice-Presidents Sri R.R. Ranghanathen and Sri V. Lakshminarayanamsamy and Past President Sri G. Rajendran attended the Annual General Meeting of Coimbatore Productivity Council on 20th October 2008 at CPC Hall.

Meeting at CODISSIA:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended a joint meeting of Office bearers of 25 Associations on 20th October 2008 at CODISSIA to discuss about the forth-coming joint rally by all Associations to be held on 22nd October 2008 in protest against the power cut.

Press Meet at CODISSIA:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass attended a Press Meet on 21st October 2008 at CODISSIA hall to highlight about the joint procession by 25 industrial Association to be held on 22nd October 2008.

Joint procession by 25**Industrial Associations:**

Leading 25 Industrial Associations organized a joint procession on 22nd October 2008 to protest against the frequent power cut. A large number of people participated in the procession. The procession started at Siddhapudur and ended at the office of the Chief Engineer (Distribution), TNEB, Coimbatore. The procession was a grand success.

SIEMA takes this opportunity to thank all the Office bearers and members of 25 Associations for their co-operation and support.

Meeting with CE (Distribution), TNEB:

President Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, Sri D. Balasundaram, President, Indian Chamber of Commerce & Industry Coimbatore and Office-bearers of other sister Associations met Sri V.G. Manoharan, Chief Engineer (Distribution), Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Coimbatore on 22nd October 2008 and handed over a representation highlighting the actions to be taken by the Government to solve the power cut problem.

MoU with SMERA:

SIEMA entered an Memorandum of Understanding with SME Rating Agency of India Ltd., (SMERA) on 24th October 2008 at our Association. Sri Parag Patki, CEO, SMERA was the Chief Guest. Sri Virendra Goyal, Regional Manager, South and East, SMERA also