

Passing out ceremony at AEMA

Cadets told to keep pace with fast changing technology

Modern day sea voyage is increasingly becoming a technology-oriented vocation and cadets need to keep abreast of the fast changing technology, said **Mr. J. K. Dhar**, Director, IMU Mumbai campus, who was the chief guest at the passing out ceremony of Anglo Eastern Maritime Academy (AEMA) on Sept. 30 in Karjat Taluk, Maharashtra.

Many processes like desludging are done by computer enabled asynchronous motor operations system. This industry is highly capex and technology intensive witnessing

technology transition in every 18 months. "Therefore, you are advised to learn from others' mistakes and remain diligent in following routine practices of the check-list and standard operating procedures to avoid incidents, collisions, mishaps and accidents", he added.

India is blank on innovation and hitching on to innovation would alone advance the country from being developing to developed. There is need for innovation on processes and design in areas like ballast water management, he stated.

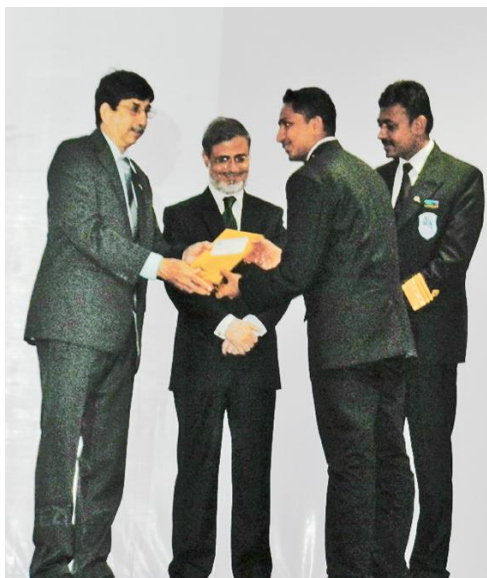
Mr. Cawsi P Lilauwala, Fleet Director, AESM, Hong Kong, remarked that presumption is cause of all accidents. Engineers on board should read the check-list and manual before putting spanners to work. Learning never stops in this industry, he observed.

Mr. Francis Akkara, Senior Manager & Vice-Principal, AEMTC, Mumbai, drew the distinction between challenges at sea and shore. "When ship breaks down mid-Atlantic there are no shops for spares. Ingenuity, ability and work with limited resources come handy. Positive attitude along with ability is going to bring success at workplace", he pointed out.

Mr. Mahesh Subramanian, HoD, Engineering, advised the passing outs to imbibe the habit of referring to manual and check-list and respect the sustainability of environment.

As many as 40 GME cadets (Batch 09) and 38 ETO (Batch 02) cadets passed out for the year. Earlier, **Capt. Pawan Gupta**, who welcomed the gathering, spoke at length on various hands-on training imparted to students on the campus. **Mr. Ajith Kumar**, ETO course in-charge, also spoke.

Cadets staged cultural shows and prizes were distributed to the successful cadets in both academics and other extra-curricular activities



Mr. Cawsi P Lilauwala, Fleet Director, AESM, Hong Kong, awarding prizes to various successful candidates, as **Mr. J. K. Dhar**, IMU Mumbai campus (2nd from left), looks on.