

REPORT ON

ARM INT'L SARD DELHI MEET

VENUE : Shri Ram Hall, PHD House
DATE/TIME : Dec. 22, 2006
3.30 pm (registration)
ATTENDANCE : 20 Participants
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SARD Chairman L.K.Singh welcomed the attendees following the round of self introductions. Since this was the last Regional Meet of Year 2006, he commended the role the six Meets had played in fulfilling the goals and objectives of the Division.

The First Presentation of the evening **Redesigning of Indian Tanks**, by **L.K.Singh, Fixopan**, was like putting the finger on the right pulse.

Beginning with the egg shape and moving on to spherical tanks with legs the evolution of tank design was discussed. Good designs and bad designs were explained, such as small ribs being bad design Advantage was seen in the tank and lid being produced together. A basic thumb rule to be followed was to use prime material and check for specific gravity.

Mihir Banerji, RIL, presented next on **New Products and Emerging Scope in Septic Tanks for Rotomoulding** The basic concept underlying the presentation was to focus on the growth driver sectors when it came to choosing new products. The Indian infrastructure sector growing at 9.2 % against the world average of 5.5 % now exerts a major pull for new products. The scope in multiple use furniture and septic tanks cannot be overlooked. The presentation exhorted moulders to do good designs so that clients are not forced to go to injection moulders.

How the idea was sold to install septic systems comprising of rotomoulded parts in 5000 villages in Punjab made a very interesting study.

Ahish Baheti, Pure Ganga, presenting next on the **Inadequacies of the Indian Tank Standards** explained how the process has been set in motion to overcome them. ARMI-SARD standards to be released soon to the industry and end users would go a long way in redressing the situation. In due course the Bureau of Indian Standards would be persuaded to incorporate through their due process the various updations and upgradations, putting in place requisite tests to lift our official tank standards to international levels.

Rahul Mehta, Clariant Chemicals, made the next presentation on **Masterbatches and Speciality Chemicals**. Proper usage was the underlying theme of the presentation.

Making the **ARMI-SARD presentation**, **SARD Manager S.B.Zaman** urged the attendees to register early for the III Annual SARD Conference in Hilton Towers, Mumbai from Feb 1 to 3 , 2007. It is not only going to be a great place to learn and network, but also a reflection of all that the industry of the region has achieved since ARM Int'l SARD has come into operation.

On behalf of the **Joint Sponsor, Prabh Dayal Om Prakash, Bharat Agarwal** thanked attendees. **R.P. Shukla, M Plast**, made suggestions on improving industry attitude, before the concluding presentation of the evening.

The final presentation on **Alternate raw materials for rotomoulding** was made by **Shubh Gautam, Srisol**. The presentation was essentially a How to of Plastisol Moulding. The development of the use of Plastisol was based on the basic hypothesis that there was no alternative to the use of plastisol in certain situations. The basic character of plastisol needed to be understood .Since it is emulsified it cannot be reversed. It acts a lot like PE in a mould, and handling the liquid resin is easier than powder. The cooling is always very good.

The bottom line in the case of plastisol is that it is the alternative material to what you can't do with other material.

The Meet ended with cocktails and dinner



1.L.K.Singh



2.Mihir Banerji



3.Ashish Baheti



4.Shubh Gautam



5.Cocktails