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National Forum for Environment & Health (NFEH) and Fire Protection Association of Pakistan (FPAP) organized 3rd Fire Safety Award's ceremony at a local hotel. Minister Environment, Dr. Sikanar Mandro, Naem Qureshi President NFEH, Tariq Moeen & Farhat Hussain of FPAP are seen in the picture. 28 companies awarded the best safety arrangements through a professional criteria and verification.

## 4th Fire & Safety Convention & Awards 2013

# Rescue 1122 to introduce soon in Sindh, Chief Secretary Sajjad S. Hotiyana

On pattern of Punjab, Sindh government is working to develop rescue service of 1122 in the province to help people in times of need during disasters and emergencies. An effective plan is being worked out to introduce this service at provincial level and will be soon introduced.

This was informed by the Chief Secretary Sindh Sajjad Saleem Hotiyana while speaking at the inaugural ceremony of the 4th Fire and Safety Conference & Safety Awards held here at a local hotel. The flagship annual award convention was organized by the National Forum for Environ-

ment and Health (NFEH) in collaboration with Fire Protection Association of Pakistan (FPAP).

This full day convention and award ceremony was aimed to promote fire safety awareness, knowledge and necessity of fire protection measures among our industries, corporate sectors, builders, commercial and residential buildings, NGOs etc.

Chief Secretary Sindh further shared that a delegation of Sindh Government is on a visit to Punjab and is engaged in negotiation with matters relating to introducing the Rescue Service of '1122' in Sindh

as well. "Suggestions and recommendations submitted by NFEH will be carefully and thoroughly reviewed and all necessary actions and arrangements for the implementation of the same will be undertaken, Sajjad Saleem Hotiyana assured.

He praised the initiative of NFEH and FPAP for their unrelenting efforts and cited the convention as an essential and vital activity in order to promote awareness about fire hazards, their prevention and safety in daily life. Chief Secretary stressed the need of such awareness programs taking place more frequently in the metropol-



Chief Secretary Sindh Sajjad Salim Hotiyana, Mufassir Malik, Vice President, KCCI, Hussain Sabz Ali of HBL, Fawad H. Barry of Haseen Habib, M. Imran of Enviograph, Tariq Moin, Secretary FPAP and Naem Qureshi President NFEH addressing at inaugural session of 4th Fire & Safety Convention 2013.



Minister Environment Sindh Dr. Sikandar Mandhro, Anchor Najia Asher, Saman Khalil, Faheem Siddiqui, Farhat Hussain, Ali Irfan, Dr. Salman Safdar, Engr. Nadeem Ashraf, Khalid Iqbal and others addressing at different sessions of 4th Fire & Safety Convention 2013

ation city for the education of masses.

Speaking on the occasion, chief guest Dr. Sikandar Mandhro, Minister Environment, Sindh applauding the role and services of NFEH & FPAP said that much focus should also be given to effective rescue operations' training which is the primary step before relief and rehabilitation. Admitting the primary responsibility of government he urged the civil society and corporate entities to come forward and further strengthen such initiatives in spreading the awareness and knowledge on the subject at district, tehsil and grass root level.

Earlier Naeem Qureshi, President, NFEH in his welcome address said that the topic of fire safety needs utmost importance and realization in the society but unfortunately public awareness and training on this subject is extremely low and thus NFEH's this initiative is a step in the same direction.

Chairman NFEH Dr. Kaiser Waheed, Project Head Nadeem Ashraf and Tariq Moeen also spoke on the occasion.

Farhat Hussain, President, FPAP underlined the need for a comprehensive planning, legislation and implementation of regulations of fire and safety management & training on genuine basis to ensure safety of people.

Capt. Fahim-uz-Zaman, former Administrator Karachi suggested government and private sector to engage educated young breed of people towards fire safety & fire fighting as careers in order to entice professionalism in this field and to make this profession a choice as well. He also called for redesigning the curriculum of fire and safety in academic institutions according to the changing environment to produce experts for ensuring safety of people.

Ms Najia Ashar, Senior News Anchor & Producer and Faheem Siddiqui, Senior Investigative Journalist & host from Geo News television also shared their views on

the role of media in reporting fire incidents. They were of the view that media while reporting fire incidents tries to identify and report the degree of fire, the exact location of the incident and extent of damage with progress on rescue work, however it was agreed amongst the panel members which also included Madam Saman Khalil, an Environment Consultant that special training needs to be imparted to media reporters to tackle such reporting hurdles.

Fawad Ateeq Bari, MD, Haseen Habib, Adil Masti Khan, GM, Soorty Enterprises, Ali Irfan, Director, FPAP and M. Imran, Director of Envirograf with the help of their informative and interactive presentations enlightened the audience with the technicalities and difference usage of fire safety and prevention equipments. Moreover, Hussain Sabz Ali, Fire Chief, HBL and Wajahatullah Khan also shared the stage to vocal on fire safety drills, fire prevention methods, effectively tackling the panic situations and other edifying topics with related to fire safety. It was followed by

question-and-answer session.

Later on NFEH Corporate Excellence Awards on Fire Safety & Environment were bestowed to 28 leading corporate houses with distinguished fire safety measures at their workplaces. The award ceremony was followed by the lucky draw for the participants.

Salman Safdar, Head, Sub-Office, Karachi of United National Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) and representative of Burns Center Karachi also addressed the gathering and briefed regarding their remarkable contribution for the humanity. Tariq Moeen, Secretary General, FPAP moderated the convention with decorousness dedication and appealing professionalism.

The Marketects Club (TMC) joined hands with NFEH in social media promotions of fire safety awareness campaign and as a result, the Trend of NFEH & Fire-Safety topped the Twitter ranking in Pakistan during the Event. ■



NFEH team along with Minister Environment Sindh Dr. Sikandar Mandhro and President NFEH Naeem Qureshi

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