

HRAWI organises fire safety training for member hotels and restaurants

In a first, the Hotel and Restaurant Association of Western India (HRAWI) initiated a comprehensive session on 'fire marshals training' for hotels and restaurants in the city. The training was organised at the Mumbai fire brigade headquarters in Byculla and was conducted by and under the aegis of the Mumbai fire chief & Dr Prabhat Rahangdale, director – Directorate of Maharashtra Fire Services along with A V Parab, divisional fire officer; D S Patil, assistant divisional fire officer; V N Sangle, Sr. station officer; D M Patil, Sr. station officer and team.

The programme imparted training on various aspects of fire fighting and educated participants on the many causes of fire and its hazards. The venue was packed to capacity with 124 participants attending the programme from different hotels and restaurants across the city. At the end of the training, participants were awarded a badge and certified as volunteer fire marshals.

“HRAWI thanks Dr Rahangdale and the entire team for curating an invaluable session on fire safety and for raising our knowledge on the subject. This is a much-needed training programme for hotels and restaurants everywhere in the country. The training has helped us tremendously and each participant, a certified volunteer fire marshal is now in a better position to improve and implement the standards of fire safety and to safeguard their establishments in case of fire hazards,” said Gurbaxish Singh Kohli, President, HRAWI.

The session included on-ground activities that demonstrated on how to prevent fire; how to implement necessary emergency procedures; how to prevent the spread of fire with different types of fire extinguishers and how to use them correctly and effectively.

The programme was divided into two parts, which first took the participants through the theoretical presentation which was later followed up with demonstration and practice in the open area of the fire brigade compound.