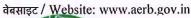
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AERB Hosts a National Conference on Regulatory Interface (NCRI)-2017

The Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) hosted a three-day Conference on Regulatory Interface (NCRI)-2017 during November 27-30, 2017, at Mumbai. Such exclusive conference has been organised first time by AERB for its all stakeholders associated with use of nuclear energy and ionising radiation sources. The main objective of the conference was to foster an environment wherein the Licencees, Stakeholders, professional bodies could interact, discuss and provide feedback to AERB on the various issues related to nuclear/ radiation safety, regulatory requirements, practices world-wide, emerging trends in design and manufacturing, challenges in supply chain and effectiveness of Quality Assurance programs.

To fulfill its mandate of nuclear and radiation safety AERB routinely organizes meets/ workshops with Licencees. The important addition in the NCRI 2017 was the engagement of stakeholders, beyond the Licencees, which included the entire supply chain viz. consultants, manufacturers, vendors, suppliers, contractors and service providers, and professional associations who AERB recognizes have significant influence on the safety of nuclear and radiation facilities.

More than 300 delegates participated in the conference, with representation from the NPCIL, BHAVINI, Nuclear Fuel Complex, Nuclear component manufacturing industries. and various professional bodies such as Indian Radiological & Imaging Association, Association of Nuclear Medicine Physicists of India, Association of Radiation Oncologists of India, Association of NDT Service Organisation of India, amongst others.

The interaction and feedback garnered at the Conference served its objective of ensuring that insights were provided to not only optimise AERB Regulatory and Safety requirements where necessary but the requirements were well understood and abided amongst the Licencees and stakeholders. The feedback and suggestions during the deliberations will be considered appropriately by AERB for implementation of its regulations without compromising the nuclear and radiation safety.

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