

Engro seminar on HSE held

KARACHI: The role of adherence to highest standards of health, safety and environment (HSE) is critical to protect lives of workers and capital of investors and this is achievable only with a reliable and effective HSE framework.

Speakers stressed on this essential principle at the first national seminar on Health Safety and Environment (HSE) hosted by Engro Chemicals Pakistan Limited, on November 24, 2008.

As an Industry-leader in HSE performance in the fertiliser sector, Engro Chemicals Pakistan Limited (ECPL) organised this national seminar to bring together the fertiliser sector, oil and gas, power and major process industries of the country to exchange best practices and innovative solutions on successful HSE compliance.

The Senior Vice President, ECPL, Khalid Siraj Subhani in his opening remarks highlighted the importance of HSE management in the industry, pointed out the role of corporate leadership and workers in managing HSE in the industry. He elaborated on disaster management systems and communication, environment challenges, Greenhouse Gas emissions and caring for climate and training and knowledge base management.

The seminar covered topics of process safety and risk management, occupational health management, renewable energy for Pakistan, emergency response, disaster management and control.

Other topics were related with safety, environment and energy conservation. The Vice Chancellor, NED University and chief guest of the seminar, Abul Kalam emphasised in his closing speech the critical role of safety and the particular challenges faced by industry in Pakistan.

He said that a new diploma on the subject is being introduced in the University because of the significance of the subject.

The General Manager, Human Resources and Public Affairs, Tahir Javed thanked all the participants and noted that looking at the participation level and enthusiasm; Engro Chemicals may consider increasing the domain of the seminar next time and involve international delegates as well. The participants gained valuable insight into the expanding dynamics of HSE that will assist them in the development and implementation of a National Risk Management Strategy.—PR