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## REPORT

# FACULTY INDUSTRY IMMERSION PROGRAM

📅 16<sup>th</sup> Oct 2025    📍 Chennai

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## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

As part of its ongoing strategic engagement initiatives, the **Confederation of Indian Private Universities (CIPU)** organised a Faculty Industry Immersion Program in collaboration with **KONE Elevators India Pvt. Ltd., Chennai**, on **16th October 2025**.

The program was designed to **bridge the gap between academia and industry**, providing faculty members with **first-hand exposure to industrial processes, workplace safety systems, technological innovations, and sustainability practices**.





## OBJECTIVES OF THE PROGRAM

- To enable faculty to gain an **on-ground understanding** of **industrial operations** and **technological applications**.
- To explore **collaborative avenues** between academia and industry, including **research**, **training**, and **internships**.
- To enhance **industry-linked learning** and **teaching methodologies** in universities.
- To promote **faculty awareness of smart** and **sustainable industrial practices**.



## PARTICIPATION

A total of **20 faculty members** from **various universities** participated in the program. The **diverse representation** included faculty from **engineering, management, and design disciplines**, reflecting a **multidisciplinary** approach to **industry immersion** and **academic enrichment**.





## WELCOME ADDRESS

The **program** commenced with a welcome address by **Ms. Snehal Tapre, CIPU**, who outlined CIPU's mission to build strong, enduring partnerships between academia and industry.

She emphasized the organization's role in enabling impactful collaborations through initiatives such as

**FACULTY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

**INDUSTRY ROUNDTABLES**

**RESEARCH PARTNERSHIPS**

**FACULTY IMMERSION VISITS**

Her remarks set the tone for a day focused on **knowledge exchange, collaboration, and experiential learning**.



## OPENING REMARKS

**Mr. Shankar**, Factory Head, **KONE Elevators India Pvt. Ltd.**, extended a warm welcome to the delegation and shared insights on **KONE's manufacturing excellence, commitment to safety, and culture of innovation**.

He highlighted the importance of **aligning academic research with real-world industrial practices to strengthen India's technical and innovation landscape**.





## SPECIAL ADDRESS

Mr. Arumugam T., General Manager – Human Resources, shared an overview of **KONE's human capital philosophy** and its recent **collaborations with academia**. He appreciated CIPU's initiative in **fostering faculty-industry connect** and extended KONE's support for **future partnerships** with universities in the areas of internships, **industrial training**, **research projects**, and **skill-based learning modules**



## FACTORY TOUR

The guided factory tour was led by **Mr. Durai Singam**, Manufacturing Solutions Manager, who provided detailed insights into KONE's **elevator assembly line**, **testing zones**, and **quality control systems**.

The tour included **live demonstrations** of **automation**, **IoT-enabled monitoring**, and **smart safety mechanisms** used in **elevator manufacturing**.

Faculty participants engaged in interactive discussions with KONE engineers on topics such as **innovation**, **automation**, **IoT integration**, and **energy efficiency**.





## OUTCOMES

- Enhanced understanding of **industrial technologies** and their **academic applications**.
- Identification of **future collaboration avenues** in **research, training, and internship programs**.
- Strengthened **industry-academia linkage** for **curriculum enrichment** and **applied research**.
- Reinforced **CIPU's vision** of **building research-driven, innovation-oriented universities**.



## CONCLUSION

The **Faculty Industry Immersion Program** at **KONE Elevators, Chennai**, served as a **benchmark initiative** for strengthening the bond between academia and industry.

The immersive experience offered participants valuable exposure to **industrial processes, innovation practices, and sustainability models** – reinforcing the importance of **collaborative learning**.

This initiative reflects CIPU's ongoing commitment to creating **research-driven, industry-ready academic ecosystems** through **meaningful partnerships** with leading organizations.





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