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REPORT

FACULTY INDUSTRY IMMERSION PROGRAM

16th Oct 2025 Chennai

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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